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July 11, 1996

BY HAND DELIVERY

Mr. Charles H. Hill  
Director, Division of Water and Wastewater  
Florida Public Service Commission  
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard  
Tallahassee, FL 32399

Re: Hobe Sound Water Company  
Final Rates & Customer Notice  
Docket No. 960192-WU

Dear Mr. Hill:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of Hobe Sound Water Company are four copies of the following water tariff sheets:

4th Revised Sheet 16.0  
16th Revised Sheet 17.0

These tariff sheets reflect the final rates that were approved by the Commission in PAA Order No. 96-0870-FOF-WU.

Also enclosed for the staff's review is a copy of the proposed customer notice of the final rate increase.

Please ask your staff to review and approve the enclosed tariff sheets and customer notice as quickly as possible. The utility would like to be in a position to send the customer notice as soon as possible after the protest period has expired.

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Any questions regarding the filing can be directed to  
me at 222-7500 or Gary White at 518-373-1232.

Very truly yours,



Richard D. Melson

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Enclosures

cc (w/ encl.):

- Ms. Bayó (for docket file)
- Mr. Willis (Water and Wastewater)
- Ms. Capeless (Legal Services)
- Mr. Carfine (Hobe Sound)
- Mr. White (Guastella Associates)

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
THE HOBE SOUND WATER COMPANY  
WATER SERVICE RATES**

NOTICE is hereby given that The Hobe Sound Water Company has been granted a water service rate increase by the Florida Public Service Commission in Order No. PCS-96-0870-FOF-WU issued July 2, 1996. With this final decision, the Commission disposes of the previously granted rates and establishes the following charges as permanent approved rates for water service. The increase will be charged for service rendered on and after August 1, 1996 and be effective with the September billing. The new rates will produce an 11.91% increase in revenues over the previous permanent rates.

The approved rates consist of a monthly base facility charge and three tier (conservation block) usage charge for residential customers and a monthly base facility and flat gallonage charge for general service customers. The approved water service rates are as follows:

**WATER  
RESIDENTIAL AND GENERAL SERVICE**

<b>Base Facility Charge:</b>	<b>Prior</b>	<b>Approved</b>
<b><u>Meter Size</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>
5/8" X 3/4"	\$12.14	\$13.59
3/4"	18.21	20.38
1"	30.35	33.96
1 1/2"	60.69	67.92
2"	97.11	108.68
3"	194.22	217.35
4"	303.46	339.60
 <b>Gallonage Charge:</b>		
<b><u>Residential Service</u></b>		
<b><u>(per 1,000 gallons)</u></b>		
Up to 10,000 gallons	\$0.78	\$0.87
10,001 to 40,000 gallons	1.78	1.98
Over 40,000 gallons	2.34	2.62
 <b><u>General Service</u></b>		
Gallonage Charge per 1,000 gals.	\$1.46	\$1.63

The bill of a residential customer (with a 5/8" meter) using an average of 5,000 gallons will increase from \$16.04 to \$17.94. Those residential customer using 20,000 gallons monthly will increase from \$37.54 to \$41.89 and those using 130,000 gallons will increase from \$283.34 to \$316.89.

For further information regarding this notice, contact the Water Company office by telephone at 546-2511 or by writing to The Hobe Sound Water Company, P.O. Box 66, Hobe Sound, Florida 33455.

GENERAL SERVICE

RATE SCHEDULE GS

AVAILABILITY

- Available throughout the area served by the Company.

APPLICABILITY

- For water service for all customers for which no other schedule applies.

LIMITATIONS

- Subject to all the Rules and Regulations of this tariff and the General Rules and Regulations of the Commission.

BILLING PERIOD

- Monthly.

RATE

- Base Facility Charge

<u>Size Meter</u>	<u>Charge</u>
5/8" x 3/4"	\$13.59
3/4"	20.38
1"	33.96
1 1/2"	67.92
2"	108.68
3"	217.35
4"	339.60

- Gallonage Charge (per 1,000 gals.) 1.63

BASE FACILITY CHARGE - Minimum Charge.

TERMS OF PAYMENT

- Bills are due and payable when rendered and become delinquent if not paid within twenty (20) days. After five (5) working days if written notice is mailed to the customer separate and apart from any other bill, advising of delinquency and discontinuance, service may then be discontinued.

EFFECTIVE DATE

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TYPE OF FILING

- Limited Proceeding Rate Increase Application.

Nathaniel P. Reed  
President

RESIDENTIAL SERVICE

RATE SCHEDULE RB

AVAILABILITY

- Available throughout the area served by the Company.

APPLICABILITY

- For water service for all purposes in private residences and individually metered apartment units.

LIMITATIONS

- Subject to all the Rules and Regulations of this tariff and the General Rules and Regulations of the Commission.

BILLING PERIOD

- Monthly.

RATE

- Base Facility Charge

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5/8" x 3/4"	\$13.59
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2"	108.68
3"	217.35
4"	339.60

- Gallonage Charge (per 1,000 gals.)

Up to 10,000 gallons	0.67
10,001 to 40,000 gallons	1.96
Over 40,000 gallons	2.62

BASE FACILITY CHARGE - Minimum Charge.

TERMS OF PAYMENT

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