

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO

LAKE SUZY UTILITIES, INC.

FLORIDA WATER SERVICES CORPORATION

AND

ALL OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS

RE: DOCKET NO. 970657-WS - APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATES TO OPERATE A WATER AND WASTEWATER UTILITY IN CHARLOTTE AND DESOTO COUNTIES BY LAKE SUZY UTILITIES, INC.

DOCKET NO. 980261-WS - APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT OF CERTIFICATES NOS. 570-W AND 496-S TO ADD TERRITORY IN CHARLOTTE COUNTY BY FLORIDA WATER SERVICES CORPORATION.

ISSUED: January 21, 2000

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a hearing will be held before the Florida Public Service Commission regarding the following: Lake Suzy Utilities, Inc.'s application for original certificates to operate a water and wastewater utility in Charlotte and DeSoto counties; and Florida Water Services Corporation's application for an amendment to add territory in Charlotte County, at the following time and place:

10:00 a.m., Thursday, February 3, 2000
City of North Port Commission Chambers
North Port, Florida

Friday, February 4, 2000, has also been reserved for continuation of the hearing if needed. The starting time of the next day's session will be announced at the conclusion of the prior day. The hearing may be adjourned early if all testimony is concluded.

Customers will be given the opportunity to present testimony at the beginning of the morning session on Thursday, February 3, 2000. Additionally, an evening session will be held beginning at

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6:00 p.m., Thursday, February 3, 2000, for the purpose of hearing testimony from customers who were unable to attend the prior session.

All customers wishing to testify are urged to be present at the beginning of the sessions, since the sessions may be adjourned early if no customers are present. By providing customer testimony, a person does not become a party to the proceeding. To become an official party of record, you must file a Petition for Intervention at least five days before the final hearing, pursuant to the requirements contained in Rule 25-22.039, Florida Administrative Code.

PURPOSE AND PROCEDURE

The purpose of this hearing is to consider the petition of Lake Suzy Utilities, Inc.'s application for original certificates to operate a water and wastewater utility in Charlotte and DeSoto Counties; and Florida Water Services Corporation's application for an amendment to add territory in Charlotte County, and any motions or other matters that may be pending at the time of the hearing. The Commission may rule on any such motions from the bench or may take the matters under advisement.

At the hearing, all parties shall be given the opportunity to present testimony and other evidence on the issues identified by the parties at the prehearing conference held on January 24, 2000. All witnesses shall be subject to cross-examination at the conclusion of their testimony.

Any person requiring some accommodation at this hearing because of a physical impairment should call the Division of Records and Reporting at (850) 413-6770 at least 48 hours prior to the hearing. Any person who is hearing or speech impaired should contact the Florida Public Service Commission by using the Florida Relay Service, which can be reached at 1 (800) 955-8771 (TDD).

JURISDICTION

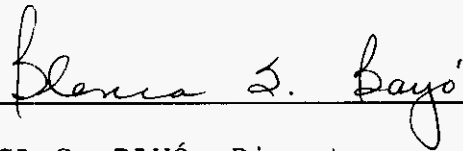
This Commission is vested with jurisdiction over the subject matter by the provisions of Chapter 367, Florida Statutes. This hearing will be governed by said Chapter as well as Chapter 120, Florida Statutes and Chapters 25-9, 25-22, 25-30, and 28-106, Florida Administrative Code.

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APPLICABLE STATUTES AND RULES

Sections 367.045, 367.171, Florida Statutes, and any other relevant sections of Chapter 367, Florida Statutes, are applicable to this proceeding, as well as Chapter 120, Florida Statutes, and Rules 25-9, 25-22, 25-28, 25-30, and 28-106, Florida Administrative Code.

By DIRECTION of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 21st day of January, 2000.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Blanca S. Bayó", is written over a horizontal line.

BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Director
Division of Records and Reporting

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