

NOTICE OF APPLICATION REGARDING SERVICE AVAILABILITY CHARGES AND POLICIES BY UNITED WATER FLORIDA INC.

FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION DOCKET NO. 00610-WS

Date Issued: July 24, 2000

- 1. Notice is hereby given pursuant to Rule 25-30.4345, Florida Administrative Code ("FAC"), that United Water Florida Inc. (United Water Florida") has filed with the Florida Public Service Commission (the "Commission") an application regarding service availability charges and policies for Duval, Nassau, and St. Johns Counties, Florida, ("Application").
- 2. United Water Florida is a water and wastewater utility company regulated by the Commission. In one of United Water Florida's last rate cases, the Commission required United Water Florida to file an application regarding its service availability charges and policies. United Water Florida is filing this application in response to that requirement.
- 3. Service availability charges are designed to pay for the growth of the utility system and are paid by <u>new</u>, and not existing customers.
- 4. Copies of the Application are available for public inspection at the following locations:

Hours Available* Location United Water Florida Inc. Monday through Friday a. 1400 Millcoe Road 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. APP Jacksonville, Florida 32239 CAF (904) 725-2865 Florida Public Service Commission Monday through Friday ECR Division of Records and Reporting 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. LEG 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard OPC Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850 PAI RGO DOCUMENT NUMBER-DATE c. Jacksonville Public Library
Main Library
122 N. Ocean Street
Jacksonville, Florida 32202
(904) 630-2665

- Monday
 9:00 a.m. 8:00 p.m.
 Tuesday through Thursday
 9:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m.
 Friday through Saturday
 9:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m.
 Sunday
 1:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.
 (starting August 6, 2000)
- d. St. Johns County Public Library
 Ponte Vedra Beach Branch
 101 Library Boulevard
 Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida 32082
 (904) 273-0495
- Monday through Wednesday 9:30 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. Thursday through Friday 9:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Saturday 9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Sunday 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
- e. St. Johns County Public Library
 Bartram Trail Branch (Julington Creek)
 60 Davis Pond Boulevard
 Jacksonville, Florida 32259
 (904) 287-4929
- Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 9:30 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. Wednesday and Friday 9:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Saturday 9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Sunday Closed
- f. Fernandina Beach Public Library 25 North 4th Street Fernandina Beach, Florida 32034 (904) 277-7365
- Monday and Thursday 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Sunday Closed

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- Holiday hours may vary
- 5. United Water Florida is seeking to establish a uniform set of service availability charges for its single system with its Application. A summary schedule of the proposed service availability charges is set forth on Exhibits A and B. Currently, United Water Florida has several service subareas which have different service availability

charges. United Water Florida has 18 schedules for water service availability charges and 16 schedules for wastewater service availability charges. United Water Florida currently has 14 water schedules with a water plant capacity charge of \$100.00 per connection and 10 wastewater schedules with a wastewater plant connection charge of \$210.00 per connection. United Water Florida also has service availability schedules with water plant capacity connection charges of \$240.00 (St. Johns North service subarea), \$368.00 (Sunray-Nassau service subarea), and \$410.00 (Sunray-St. Johns service subarea). United Water Florida also has service availability schedules with wastewater plant capacity charges of \$250.00 (Sunray-St. Johns service subarea), \$370.00 (Sunray - Nassau service subarea), \$472.00 (Royal Lakes service subarea), \$500.00 (Ponce de Leon service subarea), and \$510.00 (St. Johns North service subarea). United Water Florida's Nassau service subarea, which does not include the Sunray-Nassau service subarea, does not have plant capacity charges. See Exhibits C and D for summary schedules of existing service availability charges.

- 6. Allowance For Funds Prudently Invested ("AFPI") charges and guaranteed revenue charges were established by the Commission in Docket No. 980214-WS. No changes to AFPI charges and guaranteed revenues charges have been requested in this docket.
- 7. Written comments concerning United Water Florida's service availability charges and policies should be addressed to the Director of the Division of Records and Reporting, Florida Public Service Commission, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Taliahassee, Florida 32399-0850, with a courtesy copy to Scott G. Schildberg, Attorney, Martin, Ade, Birchfield & Mickler, 3000 Independent Square, Jacksonville, Florida 32202. All comments should include references to Commission Docket No. 000610-WS, which has been assigned to this case.

Summary Schedule of Proposed Water Service Availability Gharges

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Administrative Fee	A Percentage of the Costs of Construction
Back-Flow Preventor Installation Fee All sizes	Actual Cost
Customer Connection (Tap-In) Charge 1" metered service (Shortside)	Actual cost
Inspection Fees	Actual or Average Cost
Legal Fees	Actual Cost
Main Extension Charge - Off Site Residential-per ERC (350 GPD)	Actual Cost Actual Cost
Main Extension Charge - On Site Residential-per ERC (350 GPD)	Actual Cost Actual Cost
Meter Installation Fee 5/8" x 3/4" (Direct Read Meter) 5/8" x 3/4" (Encoder Meter) 3/4" (Direct Read Meter) 1" (Direct Read Meter) 1" (Encoder Meter) 1" (Encoder Meter) 1 1/2" (Direct Read Meter) 1 1/2" (Encoder Meter) 2" (Direct Read Meter) 2" (Encoder Meter) 2" (Encoder Meter) 3" and above and Irrigation Meters	\$ 100.12 \$ 82.28 \$ 119.52 \$ 114.47 \$ 149.12 \$ 246.23 \$ 278.72 \$ 319.77 \$ 354.57
Plant Capacity Charge Residential - per ERC (350 GPD)	\$ 391.00 \$ 1.12
Refundable Advance	Advance or Prorata Share
Actual Cost is equal to the total cost incurred to a customer.	for services rendered

EXHIBIT A

Summary Schedule of Proposed Wastewater Service Availability Charges

<u>DESCRIPTION</u> <u>AMOUNT</u>

Administrative Fee A percentage of the

Costs of Construction

Customer Connection (Tap-In) Charge

Residential service lateral Actual Cost All others Actual Cost

Inspection Fees Actual or Average Cost

Main Extension Charge - Off Site

Residential-per ERC (280 GPD) Actual Cost All others-per gallon Actual Cost

Main Extension Charge -On Site

Residential-per ERC (280 GPD) Actual Cost All others-per gallon Actual Cost

Meter Installation Fee

Wastewater service only

All Meters Actual Cost

Plant Capacity Charge

 Residential-per ERC (280 GPD)
 \$1,316.00

 All others-per gallon
 \$4.70

Refundable Advance Advance or Prorata Share

Actual Cost is equal to the total cost incurred for service rendered to the customer.

Water Service Availability Charges

Summary Schedule for water service availability charges except plant capacity charges for all service subareas except the Nassau service subarea and Sunray-Nassau service subarea.

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Administrative Fee	A Percentage of the Costs of Construction
Back-Flow Preventor Installation Fee All sizes	Actual Cost
Customer Connection (Tap-In) Charge 1" metered service (Shortside)	Actual cost
Inspection Fees	Actual or Average Cost
Legal Fees	Actual Cost
Main Extension Charge - Off Site Residential-per ERC (350 GPD)	
Main Extension Charge - On Site Residential-per ERC (350 GPD)	
Meter Installation Fee 5/8" x 3/4" 3/4" 1" 1 1/2" 2" 3" and Above	\$ 125.00 \$ 150.00 \$ 235.00 \$ 357.00

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EXHIBIT C

Water Service Availability Charges

Summary Schedule of water plant capacity charges for 14 service subareas (Arlington, Forest Brook, Holly Oaks, Hyde Grove, Jacksonville Heights, Lake Forest, Magnolia Gardens, Ponce de Leon, Royal Lakes, San Jose, Venetia Terrace, San Pablo, Atlantic, and Ponte Vedra).

Plant Capacity Charge		
Residential - per ERC (350 GPD)	\$	100.00
All others-per gallon	¢	0.20

Summary Schedule of water plant capacity charges for Sunray-St. Johns service subarea.

Plant Capacity Charge	
Residential - per ERC (350 GPD)	\$ 410.00
All others-per gallon	\$ 1.17

Summary Schedule of water plant capacity charges for St. Johns North service subarea.

Plant Capacity Charge	
Residential - per ERC (350 GPD)	\$ 240.00
All others-per gallon	\$ 0.69

Summary Schedule for water service availability charges for Nassau County service subarea.

DESCRIPTION AMOUNT Administrative Fee A Percentage of the **Costs of Construction Back-Flow Preventor Installation Fee** All sizes Actual Cost Customer Connection (Tap-In) Charge Single Family Residence or Single commercial Facility\$227.00 1" metered service Actual cost 2" and over metered service Actual Cost Inspection Fees Actual or Average Cost Legal Fees Actual Cost Main Extension Charge - Off Site Customer Contributing Facilities Actual Cost Customer Connecting to Facilities Prorata Share contributed by another Customer of Refundable Advance All others Residential - per ERC (350 GPD) \$110.00 All others - per gailon \$0.3143 Main Extension Charge - On Site Company Constructed On Site Facilities Residential-per ERC (350 GPD) \$493.00 All others-per gallon \$1.409 Facilities constructed by Other Customers & Donated to Company as a Contribution-in-Aid-of-Construction, None All others Actual Cost Meter Installation Fee 5/8" x 3/4"\$ 70.00 3/4"\$ 125.00 1 1/2" \$ 235.00 2"\$ 357.00

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3" and Above Actual Cost

Summary Schedule for water service availability charges for Sunray - Nassau service subarea.

DESCRIPTION

AMOUNT

Administrative Fee	A percentage of the Costs of Construction
Back-Flow Preventor Installation Fee All sizes	. Actual Cost
Customer Connection (Tap-In) Charge Single Family Residence or single Commercial Facility 1" metered service (Longside) 2" and over metered service	Actual Cast
Inspection Fees	. Actual or Average Cost
Legal Fees	Actual Cost
Main Extension Charge - Off Site Company Contributing Facilities	Actual Cost
Company Connecting to Facilities	. Prorata Share of Refundable Advance
All others Residential - per ERC (350 GPD)	
Main Extension Charge -On Site Company Constructed on Site Facilities Residential-per ERC (350 GPD) All others-per gallon	
Facilities Constructed by Other Customers & Donated to Company as a Contribution-in-Aid-of- Construction	. None
All others	Actual Cost
Meter Installation Fee 5/8" x 3/4" 3/4" 1" 1 1/2" 2" 3" and Above	.\$125.00 .\$150.00 .\$235.00 .\$357.00
Plant Capacity Charge Residential-per ERC (350 GPD)	
Refundable Advance	. Advance or Prorata Share
Actual Cost is equal to the total cost incurred for se	ervices rendered to a custom

Wastewater Service Availability Charges

Summary schedule for wastewater service availability charges except plant capacity charges for all service subareas except the Nassau service subarea and Sunray - Nassau service subarea.

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	AMOUNT
Administrative	A percentage of the Costs of Construction
Customer Connection (Tap-In) Charge Residential service lateral	
Inspection Fees	Actual or Average Cost
Legal Fees	.Actual Cost
Main Extension Charge - Off Site Residential-per ERC (350 GPD)	
Main Extension Charge -On Site Residential-per ERC (350 GPD)	
Meter Installation Fee Wastewater service only All Meters	Actual Cost

Actual Cost is equal to the total cost incurred for service rendered to the customer.

EXHIBIT D

Summary Schedule for wastewater plant capacity charges for ten (10) subareas (Arlington, Holly Oaks, Jacksonville Heights, San Jose, University Park, Venetia Terrace, San Pablo, Magnolia Gardens, Atlantic Utilities, and Ponte Vedra).

Plant Capacity Charge

Summary schedule for wastewater plant capacity charges for the Ponce de Leon service subarea.

Plant Capacity Charge

Residential-per ERC (350 GPD) \$500.00 All others-per gallon \$1.43

Summary schedule for wastewater plant capacity charges for the Royal Lakes service subarea.

Plant Capacity Charge

 Residential-per ERC (350 GPD)
 \$ 472.00

 All others-per gallon
 \$ 1.35

Summary schedule for wastewater plant capacity charges for the St. Johns North service subarea.

Plant Capacity Charge

 Residential-per ERC (350 GPD)
 \$ 510.00

 All others-per gallon
 \$ 1.46

Summary schedule for wastewater plant capacity charges for the Sunray-St. Johns service subarea.

Plant Capacity Charge

 Residential-per ERC (350 GPD)
 \$ 250.00

 All others-per gallon
 \$ 0.89

Summary schedule for wastewater service availability charges for the Nassau County service subarea.

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Administrative Fee	A percentage of the Costs of Construction
Customer Connection (Tap-In) Charge Single Family Residence or Single Commercial Facility All others	
Inspection Fees	Actual or Average Cost
Legal Fees	Actual Cost
Main Extension Charge - Off Site Customer Contributing Facilities Customer Connecting to Facilities contributed by another	
All others Residential - per ERC (280 GPD) All others - per gallon	
Main Extension Charge - On Site Company Constructed On Site Facilities Residential-per ERC (280 GPD) All others-per gallon	•
Facilities Constructed by Other Customers and Donated to Company as a Contribution-in-Aid-of-Construction	None
Meter Installation Fee Wastewater Service Only All Meters	Actual Cost

Actual Cost is equal to the total cost incurred for service rendered to the customer.

Refundable Advance Advance or Prorata Share

Summary schedule for wastewater service availability charges for the Sunray-Nassau service subarea.

DESCRIPTION

AMOUNT

Administrative Fee A percentage of the Costs of Construction

Customer Connection -(Tap-In) Charge

Commercial Facility\$341.00 All others **Actual Cost**

Inspection Fees Actual or Average Cost

Main Extension Charge - Off Site

Customer Contributing Facilities Actual Cost

Customer Connecting to Facilities Prorata Share of Refundable Advance

Contributed by another

All others

Residential - per ERC (280 GPD) \$433.00

Main Extension Charge - On Site

Company Constructed On Site Facilities

Residential-per ERC (280 GPD) \$1,026.00

Facilities Constructed by Other Customers

and Donated to Company as a

Contribution-in-Aid-of-Construction None

Meter Installation Fee

Wastewater Service Only

All Meters Actual Cost

Plant Capacity Charge

Refundable Advance Advance or

Prorata Share

Actual Cost is equal to the total cost incurred for service rendered to the customer.