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Public Service Commission

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F. Marshall Deterding
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Re: Docket No. 020388-WS - Request for Approval to Increase Meter Installation Fees to Conform to the Current Cost in Lake County by Sun Communities Finance, LLC, d/b/a Water Oak Utility.

Dear Mr. Deterding:

By this letter, the Commission staff requests that Sun Communities Finance, LLC, d/b/a Water Oak Utility provide responses to the following data requests:

1. Please discuss what options were considered for installing meters?
2. Please explain why the utility choose to hire Kylie and Sons, Inc?
3. Order No. PSC-00-1165-PAA-WS, issued June 27, 2000, in Docket No. 990243-WS, granted the utility \$11,923 for a part time maintenance program. Is the maintenance person being used to install meters? If not, please explain.
4. Did the utility consider hiring another part time or full time employee to install meters?
5. Did the utility attempt to hire a person to install meters? If not, please explain why.
6. Please explain what the annual cost would be to hire a part time person to install meters?
7. Please explain what the annual cost would be to hire a full time person to install meters?
8. How many meters can one person install in an average eight hour day?
9. What is the cost of a meter?

10. Please identify how many new customers were added in 1999? 2000? 2001?
11. Please identify how many new customers are expected to be added in 2002? 2003? 2004?
12. Please identify how many additional irrigation meters the utility expects to install in 2002? 2003? 2004?
13. Please discuss whether the utility has an ongoing meter changeout program?
14. If the utility has an ongoing meter changeout program, how many meters are replaced each year?
15. Please discuss the anticipated date of build out for the utility?
16. Please explain why the utility stopped using the development company maintenance personnel to install meters?
17. Please provide the names and addresses of the companies from whom bids were sought for installation of meters?
18. Please provide a copy of the proposal from Kylie and Sons, Inc.
19. How many meters have Kylie and Sons, Inc. installed to date?
20. Did Sun Communities contact other PSC regulated utilities in the vicinity, such as Lake and Marion Counties, to determine who conducts their meter installations? If not, please explain.

Please provide responses by August 15, 2002. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (850) 413-6218.

Sincerely,



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Office of the General Counsel

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cc: Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services
Division of Economic Regulation (Merta)