STATE OF FLORIDA

ORIGINAL

COMMISSIONERS: LILA A. JABER, CHAIRMAN J. TERRY DEASON BRAULIO L. BAEZ MICHAEL A. PALECKI RUDOLPH "RUDY" BRADLEY



DIVISION OF AUDITING & SAFETY DANIEL M. HOPPE, DIRECTOR (850) 413-6480

Hublic Service Commission

December 17, 2002

Carl Wenz, Vice President, Lake Utility Services, Inc. 200 Weathersfield Avenue Altamonte Springs, FL 32714-4099

Re: Docket No.: 020567-WS; Company Name: Lake Utility Services, Inc.; Audit Purpose: Compile and audit the combined LUSI and Lake Groves' water and waste water systems rate base, capital structure, and net operating income for the test year ending December 31, 2002; Audit Control No.: 02-350-3-1

Dear Mr. Wenz:

The Florida Public Service Commission will conduct an audit to Compile and audit the combined LUSI and Lake Groves' water and waste water systems rate base, capital structure, and net operating income for the test year ending December 31, 2002, in accordance with Commission audit procedures. We will cancel the previous audit established to audit only Lake Groves. Access will be requested to documents and records of the utility and, if necessary, supporting records for affiliate company transactions that affect regulated operations. Staff auditors may also request to review the utility's external audit working papers for the most recent independent audit. Mr. Charleston Winston, the Orlando district office supervisor, will coordinate this audit. Mr. Winston can be reached at (407) 245-0846. Questions regarding the audit or audit staff should be directed to the district supervisor or myself. My phone number is (850) 413-6487.

The Audit Access to Records rule for each industry states:

In those instances where the utility disagrees with the auditor's assessment of a reasonable response time to the audit request, the utility shall first attempt to discuss the disagreement with the auditor and reach an acceptable revised date. If agreement cannot be reached, the utility shall discuss the issue with successive levels of supervisors at the Commission until an agreement is reached.

CAF
COM
CTR
ECR
GCL
OPC
MMS
SEC
OTH

FPSC-COMMISSION OLERK

Mr. Carl Wenz Page 2 December 17, 2002

A formal report is expected to be issued to internal Commission use on March 31, 2003. A copy of the final report will be mailed to the company liaison listed in the Commission Mailing Directory.

Sincerely, Onis Mandwer

Denise N. Vandiver, Chief Bureau of Auditing

DNV/jcp

cc: Division of Auditing and Safety (Orlando District Supervisor, File Folder)
Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services
General Counsel
Office of Public Counsel

Donald Rasmussen, Vice President Lake Utility Services, Inc. 200 Weathersfield Avenue Altamonte Springs, FL 32714-4099

Steven Lubertozzi Utilities, Inc. 2335 Sanders Road Northbrook, IL 60062-6196

Martin Friedman, Esq. Rose Law Firm 650 S. North Lake Blvd., Suite 420 Altamonte Springs, FL 32701