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Ms. Blanca Bayo
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2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
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Re: Docket No. 030956-WU; Application of O & S Water Company Inc., for approval of revised service availability charges to increase meter installation fees in Osceola County, Florida
Our File No.: 35012.07

Dear Ms. Bayo:

O&S Water Company, Inc. (O&S) provides the following responses to the data requests of Commission Staff made in its letter dated October 16, 2003:

1. Is O&S going to perform the installation of the meters? Is O&S going to perform the installation of the backflow prevention devices?

O&S will contract the installation of the water meters and is not installing any backflow prevention devices.

2. If so, does O&S intend to purchase the meters and/or backflow prevention devices in bulk quantity?

O&S is unable to purchase the meters in sufficient quantities to obtain a bulk discount because it does not have the funds available to purchase the meters in bulk quantity.

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3. Does O&S require a backflow prevention device to be installed with the installation of each meter? If so, why?

A backflow prevention device is required only if the customer has a potential cross connection that is outlined in the Cross Connection Control Program required by the Department of Environmental Protection. In such cases, the backflow prevention devices are installed by the homeowner.

4. Did O&S obtain bids for the meter purchase? Were bids obtained for the backflow prevention devices?

O&S does not purchase quantities of meters at any one time to make bidding profitable. O&S has standardized items and materials it uses for meter installation in the system to reduce its inventory cost and minimize the amount of materials it is required to keep in stock.

5. If so, please provide a copy of each bid.

There are no bids. Please refer to response to no. 4 above.

6. Please provide a separate breakdown to support the cost of installation of each meter and backflow prevention device (include copies of any supporting documentation).

Please refer to attached Exhibit "A".

7. Does O&S intend to replace any of its current water meters with new meters?

Yes. O&S intends to replace existing meters but not at this time. There has been no time schedule established for meter change out as of this time.

8. What are ERT's? (Referenced on Exhibit "A" in the application)

ERT = Electronic Response Transmitter

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Should you have any questions regarding these responses, please do not hesitate to give me a call.

Very truly yours,



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Enclosure

cc: Mr. Troy Rendell (via facsimile)(w/enclosure)
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EXHIBIT "A"

(Breakdown of Costs for Meter Installation)

Meter	\$ 86.00
Meter Box (with lockdown lid)	\$ 24.00
ERTs	\$ 96.50
Pipe Stand	\$ 1.00
Tax	\$ 14.63
Labor	
Installation	\$ 45.00
Inspection	\$ 15.00
Meter Assembly, Electronic Check and Adjustment	\$ 18.00
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GRAND TOTAL	\$ 300.13