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**Attachments:** Ann Cole - 9-23-09.pdf

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b. **Docket Number and Title**

**Docket Number:** 080353-WU  
**Title:** Application of Placid Lakes Utilities, Inc. For Increased Water Rates In Highlands County

c. **Party On Whose Behalf Documents Are Filed**

Placid Lakes Utilities, Inc.

d. **Total Number of Pages in Each Document**

7 pages

e. **Brief Description of Each Attached Document**

Letter dated September 23, 2009, to Ms. Ann Cole, Commission Clerk, with the following attachments:

- Customer Notice of Final Rate Increase
- Placid Lakes Utilities, Inc. 16<sup>th</sup> Revised Water Tariff Sheet No. 17.0
- Placid Lakes Utilities, Inc. 17<sup>th</sup> Revised Water Tariff Sheet No. 18.0
- Placid Lakes Utilities, Inc. 16<sup>th</sup> Revised Water Tariff Sheet No. 19.0
- Placid Lakes Utilities, Inc. 5<sup>th</sup> Revised Water Tariff Sheet No. 21.0

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September 23, 2009

**VIA E-MAIL**

Ms. Ann Cole, Commission Clerk  
Florida Public Service Commission  
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Dear Ms. Cole:

In connection with the Application of Placid Lakes Utilities, Inc. ("Placid Lakes Utilities") For Increased Water Rates in Highlands County ("Application"), Docket No. 080353-WU, enclosed please find the following documents:

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In accordance with your usual procedure, please forward the enclosed proposed Customer Notice of Final Rate Increase and four revised tariff sheets to the appropriate staff members for approval. After the tariff sheets have been stamped approved by the staff, I would appreciate your returning to me a copy of the approved tariff sheets showing the stamped approval date.

I trust that this letter and the attachments will be in order for filing. If, however, you have any questions or need any additional information concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

s/ James L. Ade

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cc: Mr. Bart Fletcher  
Ms. Peggy Ann Brewer  
Mr. John Guastella  
Mr. Gary White

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**NOTICE OF FINAL RATE INCREASE**

Placid Lakes Utilities, Inc.  
PSC Docket No.: 080353-WU  
Notice Issued On October \_\_\_\_, 2009

On October 14, 2008, Placid Lakes Utilities, Inc. ("Placid Lakes Utilities") applied to the Florida Public Service Commission ("Commission") for increased water service rates to its customers in Highlands County, Florida. The application also requested approval of interim rates.

By Commission Order No. PSC-09-0022-PCO-WU issued on January 6, 2009, the Commission granted interim rates to be collected subject to refund, pending the Commission's decision regarding final rates.

By Commission Order No. PSC-09-0632-PAA-WU issued on September 17, 2009, the Commission authorized a portion of the requested increases in water rates designed to allow Placid Lakes Utilities the opportunity to recover costs for providing service and a reasonable rate of return on its investment in facilities necessary to provide such water service. That Order became final and effective upon the issuance of Consummating Order No. PSC-09-\_\_\_\_\_-WU issued by the Commission on October \_\_\_\_, 2009.

The increased rates approved by the Commission are effective for service rendered on and after \_\_\_\_\_, 2009.

The Rates Prior to Filing, Commission Approved Interim Rates, Utility Requested Final Rates, Commission Approved Final Rates and the 4-Year Rate Reduction are set forth in the rate schedule attached to this notice. The Commission Approved Final Rates will become effective for services rendered on and after \_\_\_\_\_, 2009.

Because the final rates approved by the Commission are in excess of the interim rates previously approved by the Commission, no refund of the interim rates shall be made.

If you have any questions, please call the Utility's office at (863) 465-0345.

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**WATER SERVICE**

<u>Residential, General Service And Multi-Family</u>  <i>MONTHLY</i>	<u>Rates Prior to Filing</u>	<u>Commission Approved Interim Rates</u>	<u>Utility Requested Final</u>	<u>Commission Approved Final</u>	<u>4-Year Rate Reduction</u>
Base Facility Charge:					
<u>Meter Size:</u>					
5/8" x 3/4"	\$9.73	\$10.68	\$14.64	\$10.65	\$0.40
1"	\$14.60	\$16.03	\$21.96	\$26.63	\$1.00
1 1/2"	\$24.37	\$26.76	\$36.66	\$53.25	\$2.00
2"	\$48.64	\$53.40	\$73.16	\$85.20	\$3.19
3"	\$77.85	\$85.47	\$117.10	\$170.40	\$6.39
4"	\$155.69	\$170.94	\$234.18	\$266.25	\$9.98
6"	\$243.28	\$267.10	\$365.93	\$532.50	\$19.97
Gallage Charge - (Per 1,000 Gallons):					
0 to 10,000 gallons	\$2.80	\$3.07	\$3.27	\$3.99	\$0.15
10,001 - 20,000	\$4.15	\$4.56	\$4.90	\$5.99	\$0.22
Over 10,000 gallons	\$5.50	\$6.04	\$6.53	\$7.98	\$0.30
GS Gallage Charge (per 1,000 gallons)	\$3.18	\$3.49	\$3.76	\$4.27	\$0.16

**GENERAL SERVICE  
 RATE SCHEDULE GS**

**Availability-** Available throughout the area served by the Company.

**Applicability-** For water service to all customers for which no other schedule applies.

**Limitations-** Subject to all Rules and Regulations of this Tariff and General Rules and Regulations of the Commission.

**Billing Period-** Monthly

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**Minimum Charge-** Base Facilities Charge

**Terms of Payment-** Bills are due and payable when rendered and become delinquent if not paid within twenty (20) days. After five (5) working days written notice is mailed to the customer separate and apart from any other bill, service may then be discontinued.

**Effective Date-** For services rendered on or after November 1, 2009.

**Type of Filing-** Proposed Agency Action

Laura Elowsky  
 President

**RESIDENTIAL SERVICE  
RATE SCHEDULE RS**

**Availability-** Available throughout the area served by the Company.

**Applicability-** For water service for all purposes in private residences and individually metered apartment units.

**Limitations-** Subject to all Rules and Regulations of this Tariff and General Rules and Regulations of the Commission.

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**MULTI-RESIDENTIAL SERVICE**  
**RATE SCHEDULE MS**

**Availability-** Available throughout the area served by the Company.

**Applicability-** For water service to all master-metered residential customers including but not limited to Condominiums, Apartments, and Mobile Home Parks.

**Limitations-** Subject to all Rules and Regulations of this Tariff and General Rules and Regulations of the Commission.

**Billing Period-** Monthly

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**MISCELLANEOUS SERVICE CHARGES**

The Company may charge the following miscellaneous service charges in accordance with the terms stated herein. If both water and wastewater services are provided, only a single charge is appropriate unless conditions beyond the control of the Company requires multiple actions.

**INITIAL CONNECTION**

This charge would be levied for service initiation at a location where service did not exist previously.

**NORMAL RECONNECTION**

This charge would be levied for the transfer of service to a new customer account at a previously served location or reconnection of service subsequent to a customer requested disconnection.

**VIOLATION RECONNECTION**

This charge would be levied prior to reconnection of an existing customer after disconnection of service for cause according to Rule 25-30.320(2), Florida Administrative Code, including a delinquency in bill payment.

**PREMISES VISIT CHARGE (IN LIEU OF DISCONNECTION)**

This charge would be levied when a service representative visits a premises for the purpose of discontinuing service for nonpayment of a due and collectible bill and does not discontinue service because the customer pays the service representative or otherwise makes satisfactory arrangements to pay the bill.

**Schedule of Miscellaneous Service Charges**

	<b>Business Hours</b>	<b>After Hours</b>
Initial Connection Fee	\$20.00	\$30.00
Normal Reconnection Fee	\$20.00	\$30.00
Violation Reconnection Fee	\$20.00	\$30.00
Premises Visit Fee	\$15.00	\$22.50

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