

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In re: Application for increase in water/wastewater rates in Alachua, Brevard, DeSoto, Hardee, Highlands, Lake, Lee, Marion, Orange, Palm Beach, Pasco, Polk, Putnam, Seminole, Sumter, Volusia, and Washington Counties by Aqua Utilities Florida, Inc.

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**WITNESS:** Direct Testimony of Scott Harrison  
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DIRECT TESTIMONY OF SCOTT HARRISON

Q. Please state your name and business address.

A. Scott A. Harrison, R.S., Environmental Manager of the Water Operations Section including the Drinking Water Program, Palm Beach County Health Department (PBCHD), Division of Environmental Public Health, 800 Clematis St, West Palm Beach, FL 33402.

Q. Please provide a brief description of your educational background and experience.

A. I have a B.S. Degree in Biology and Chemistry with 10 years of Environmental Public Health Experience.

Q. What are your general responsibilities at the Palm Beach County Health Department?

A. I am currently the Environmental Manager of the Water Operations Section which includes the Drinking Water, Healthy Beaches, Swimming Pool, Well Surveillance and Fire Hydrant programs.

Q. Are you familiar with the AUF water systems in Palm Beach County, particularly the Lake Osborne Estates facility?

A. Yes. Lake Osborne Estates is a regulated consecutive water system. They purchase their water from the City of Lake Worth.

Q. Has this AUF system been the subject of any DOH compliance enforcement action within the past three years?

A. Yes. Lake Osborne Estates was issued a non-compliance letter because they did not sample for Lead and Copper in the second semester of 2010. Their parent supplier, the City of Lake Worth, had recently changed their water source which would require a return to routine monitoring. The PBCHD did not pursue any penalties or take further action for the violation since the City of Lake Worth neglected to inform Lake Osborne Estates of the source water change. The action is now closed.

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1 Q. Other than any violations discussed above, is AUF in compliance with all DOH  
2 requirements for their water systems in (Counties)?

3 A. Yes as of the date of this testimony.

4 Q. Is the overall operation and maintenance of these water treatment plants and  
5 distribution facilities satisfactory?

6 A. Yes. The physical system appears to be maintained. However, the system does not  
7 maintain documentation for the operation and maintenance logs, flushing program, calibration  
8 verifications for and instruments. These issues were addressed in their most recent inspection  
9 report.

10 Q. Do you have anything further to add?

11 A. Lake Osborne Estates had a boil water notice in November of 2010 and one in April of  
12 2011. They issued the boil water notices to the customers and to the PBCHD within 24 hours  
13 of the incident as required.

14 Q. Does this conclude your testimony?

15 A. Yes.

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