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David Meadows  
319 Australian Way and 400 Saddleworth Place  
Davenport, FL 33897 Lake Mary, FL 32746

Dear Mr. Meadows:

The Public Service Commission staff is aware that you sent bills to customers of Four Points on March 26, 2012, purportedly collecting for services rendered by Four Points Utilities Corporation from March 10 to March 23, 2012. The information forwarded to us by a customer indicates that you are using customer deposits to reduce any outstanding bills and you intend to refund any additional deposits held by the utility within 2 to 3 weeks of the letter.

Commission staff has serious concerns about your efforts to bill customers at this point and about your handling of customer deposits. The concerns are as follows:

1. You abandoned the utility, effective March 23, 2012. Therefore, you are acting without legal authority to issue bills after March 23, 2012. Mike Smallridge was appointed receiver for Four Points Utilities effective March 23, 2012. He is acting under the authority of the Circuit Court's order as of that date. Therefore, he is the only agent authorized by the Circuit Court and by the Commission, to issue bills to customers of Four Points as of March 23. You are operating a utility without a certificate. It also appears that you are acting in contravention of the Circuit Court's order.
2. The bills sent to customers of Four Points Utilities are incorrect. The charges include base facility charges through April 9, 2012. Therefore, you are collecting money that you are not entitled to collect.
3. Your e-mail accompanying the bill states that you will refund customer deposits. As of March 23, 2012, you should no longer be holding any customer deposit by order of the Circuit Court and because you are no longer operating a utility. Those customer deposits should have been turned over to Mike Smallridge on March 23, 2012.
4. While Bimini Bay Utilities was not certificated on March 23, 2012, the Circuit Court's order does apply to Bimini Bay. Therefore, if you sent bills to customers of Bimini Bay after March 23, 2012, and if you failed to turn over customer deposits as required by the Circuit Court's order, Commission staff believes you have violated the Circuit Court Order.

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Commission staff believes that you must:

1. Immediately notify all Four Point customers that your final bill was sent in error and should be disregarded;
2. Turn over any money collected after March 22, 2012 to Mike Smallridge as receiver;
3. Immediately notify the Four Point customers that Mike Smallridge will be sending them a bill for services rendered by the utility for the period of March 10 – April 9, 2012;
4. Turn over all customer deposits to Mike Smallridge, immediately;
5. Comply with all conditions of the Circuit Court order.

The Commission intends to file a petition for injunctive relief to prohibit you from violating Commissions statutes, rules, and orders.

Sincerely,



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cc: Mike Smallridge

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