

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Notice of Intent of Royal Utility Company to increase water and Wastewater rates based upon the application of the provisions of Section 367.081(4)(a), Florida Statutes.

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NOTICE OF INTENT OF ROYAL UTILITY COMPANY TO INCREASE ITS RATES

Royal Utility Company, by and through its undersigned attorneys, gives notice to the Florida Public Service Commission of its intent to apply the indexing provisions of Section 367.081(4)(a), Florida Statutes, and Order No. PSC-13-0083-PAA-WS, to increase rates for water and wastewater service provided by Royal Utility Company to its customers in Broward County, Florida.

In accordance with the requirements of Rules 25-30.420, Florida Administrative Code, the following information is provided:

1. Attached hereto as **EXHIBIT "A"** is a group of three schedules prepared by the Utility's accountant which comply with the financial requirements of Rule 25-30.420, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.).

**Schedule No. 1** is a calculation of the percentage increase in

2 rates necessary to implement the index increase.

**Schedule No. 2** is a schedule of annualized revenue for the year

ended December 31, 2012.

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**Schedule No. 3** is a schedule of present and proposed rates.

2. Attached hereto as **EXHIBIT "B"** in conformance with the requirements of Section 25-30.420(2)(d), F.A.C., is a copy of the Notice to Customers of this increase in rates. This notice conforms to the requirements of Section 25-30.420(6), F.A.C., and will be provided to each of the Utility's customers prior to the time those customers begin consumption at the rates established by application of the index.

3. Attached hereto as **EXHIBIT "C"** are revised tariff sheets reflecting the increased rates proposed in conformance with the requirements of Section 25-30.420(2)(a), F.A.C.

4. Attached hereto as **EXHIBIT "D"** is a copy of an affirmation as required by Section 367.081(4)(c), Florida Statutes and Section 25-30.420(2)(c), F.A.C.

5. The Utility does not have any active written complaints, corrective orders, consent orders, or outstanding citations with the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) or the County Health Department.

6. Royal Utility Company requests that the Florida Public Service Commission and its Staff approve the form of the customer notice provided herein as soon as possible so that it may be distributed to the Utility's customers well in advance of the implementation of the increased rates for service rendered on or after July 8, 2013.

Respectfully submitted on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2013, by:

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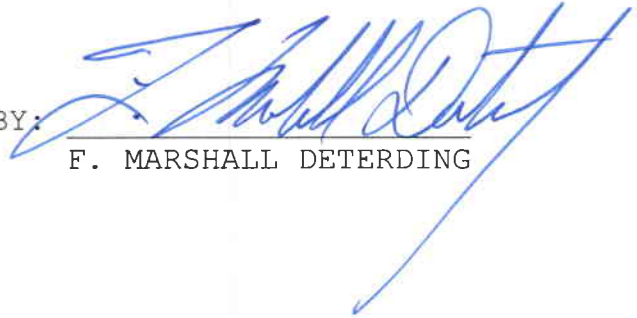
  
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Florida Statutes

**EXHIBIT "A"**

**Schedule No. 1 - Calculation of Index Percentage**

**Schedule No. 2 - Schedule of Present and Proposed Rates**

**Royal Utility Company  
2013 Price Index Adjustment  
Year ended December 31, 2012**

Royal Utility Company  
2013 Price Index Adjustment  
For the Year Ended December 31, 2012

Line No.	<u>Water (2)</u>	<u>Sewer (2)</u>
1	<u>Index Adjustment</u>	
2	\$ 463,088	\$ 417,350
3	(917)	
4		(205,217)
5	<u>(52,002)</u>	<u>(6,267)</u>
6	410,169	205,866
7	<u>1.63</u> %	<u>1.63</u> %
8	6,686	3,356
9	<u>0.955</u>	<u>0.955</u>
10	<u>7,001</u>	<u>3,514</u>
11	<u>\$ 636,788</u>	<u>\$ 584,050</u>
12	<u>1.10</u>	<u>0.60</u> %
13	Notes: (1) Water and wastewater rates were last increased pursuant to the 2012 Index & Pass-through	
14	filing effective March 25, 2013).	
15	(2) The water FDEP ID No. is 4061517; The CUP No. is 06-00003-W.	
16	All wastewater treatment & disposal is purchased from Broward County;	
17	thus, the Utility does not have an FDEP ID No.	

Royal Utility Company  
Schedule of Present and Proposed Rates  
For the Year Ended December 31, 2012

Line No.		Present	Index Increase	Proposed
1	<u>Water (1.10% Increase)</u>			
2	<u>Residential Multi-Family and General Service</u>			
3	Base facility charges:			
4	5/8" x 3/4"	\$ 11.46	\$ 0.13	\$ 11.59
5	1"	78.01	0.86	78.87
6	1 1/2"	155.91	1.72	157.63
7	2"	249.50	2.74	252.24
8	3"	498.98	5.49	504.47
9	Gallonage charge per 1,000 gallons	2.94	0.03	2.97
10	<u>Sewer (0.60% Increase)</u>			
11	<u>Residential</u>			
12	Base facility charges:			
13	All meter sizes	12.44	0.07	12.51
14	Gallonage charge per 1,000 gallons			
15	(Maximum of 10,000 gallons)	3.69	0.02	3.71
16	<u>General Service &amp; Multi-Family</u>			
17	Base facility charges:			
18	5/8" x 3/4"	12.44	0.07	12.51
19	1"	88.56	0.53	89.09
20	1 1/2"	177.26	1.06	178.32
21	2"	283.33	1.70	285.03
22	3"	566.75	3.40	570.15
23	Gallonage charge per 1,000 gallons	3.69	0.02	3.71



**EXHIBIT "B"**

**CUSTOMER NOTICE**

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Dear Customer:

Under the provisions of section 367.081(4)(a), Florida Statutes, and Public Service Commission Rule 25-30.420, Florida Administrative Code, investor-owned water and wastewater utilities such as Royal Utility Company are allowed to increase their rates annually based on inflation. Rule 25-30.420 allows for an inflation increase in rates based on the changes in Gross National Product Implicit Price Deflator (GNPIPD), which is applied to most operation and maintenance expense other than electric and ad valorem taxes. On May 10, 2013, Royal Utility Company filed for the 2013 price index increase. The Commission staff has reviewed the filing for accuracy and completeness.

The actual across-the-board rate increase for water and wastewater service respectively is 1.10% and 0.60%.

These new rates will go into effect on July 9, 2013 and will appear on your bills for service rendered on or after that date.

Sincerely,

Royal Utility Company

**EXHIBIT "C"**

**REVISED TARIFF SHEETS**

GENERAL SERVICE

RATE SCHEDULE GS

AVAILABILITY - Available throughout the area served by the Company.

APPLICABILITY - For water service to all master-metered commercial customers.

LIMITATIONS - Subject to all Rules and Regulations of this tariff and General Rules and Regulation of the Commission.

RATES - Monthly

<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>Base Facility Charge</u>
5/8" x 3/4" *	\$ 11.59
1"	78.87
1-1/2"	157.63
2"	252.24
3"	504.47

Charge per 1,000 gallons      \$ 2.97

\* Based upon certain directives of the City of Coral Springs, certain customers who would normally be entitled to a 5/8" X 3/4" meter receive water service through a 1" meter. The Utility has requested and has been authorized to bill those customers at the 5/8" rate for such service.

TERMS OF PAYMENT - Bills are due and payable when rendered and become delinquent if not paid within (20) days. After five (5) working days written notice, issued separate and apart from any bill for service, service may then be discontinued.

EFFECTIVE DATE - July 9, 2013

TYPE OF FILING - 2013 Index

Jock McCartney  
ISSUING OFFICER

President  
TITLE

ROYAL UTILITY COMPANY  
WATER TARIFF

TWENTY-FIRST REVISED SHEET NO. 21.0  
CANCELS TWENTIETH REVISED SHEET NO. 21.0

MULTIPLE DWELLING 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 Regulation of the Commission.

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5/8" x 3/4"	\$ 11.59
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RESIDENTIAL SERVICE

RATE SCHEDULE RS

AVAILABILITY - Available throughout the area served by the Company.

APPLICABILITY - For water service or 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.

RATES - Monthly

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APPLICABILITY - For wastewater service to all master-metered commercial customers.

LIMITATIONS - Subject to all Rules and Regulations of this tariff and General Rules and Regulation of the Commission.

RATES - Monthly

<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>Base Facility Charge</u>
5/8" x 3/4"	\$ 12.51
1"	89.09
1-1/2"	178.32
2"	285.03
3"	570.15

Gallage Charge           \$ 3.71  
(per 1,000 gallons)

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APPLICABILITY - For wastewater 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 Regulation of the Commission.

RATES - Monthly

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LIMITATIONS - Subject to all Rules and Regulations of this tariff and General Rules and Regulations of the Commission.

RATES - Monthly

<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>Base Facility Charge</u>
All Meter Sizes	\$12.51
Charge per 1,000 gallons (10,000 gallon maximum)	\$ 3.71

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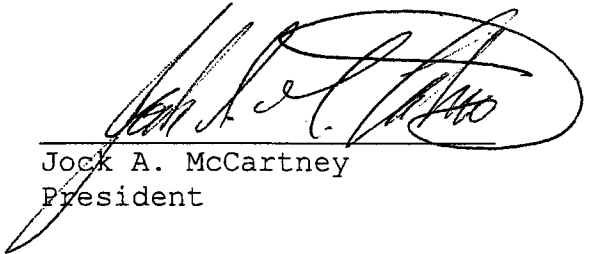
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**AFFIRMATION**

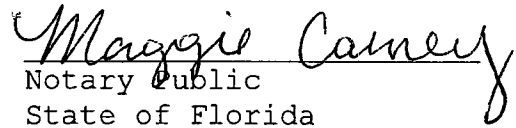
AFFIRMATION

I, Jock A. McCartney, hereby affirm that the figures and calculations upon which the change in rates is based are accurate and that the change will not cause Royal Utility Company to exceed the range of its last authorized rate of return on equity, which is 14.69 percent.

This Affirmation is made pursuant to my request for a 2013 price index rate increase, in conformance with Section 367.081(4)(c), Florida Statutes.

  
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Jock A. McCartney  
President

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 9 day of May, 2013.

  
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Maggie Carney  
Notary Public  
State of Florida

My Commission expires:

