



September 22, 2016

VIA E-FILING

Carlotta S. Stauffer, Commission Clerk Office of Commission Clerk Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399

RE: Docket No. 150269-WS; Application for limited proceeding water rate increase in Marion, Pasco,

and Seminole Counties, by Utilities, Inc. of Florida.

Our File No. 30057.224

Dear Ms. Stauffer:

The Staff has requested that Utilities, Inc. of Florida ("UIF") respond in writing to the post-agenda conference letter from Office of Public Counsel dated September 13, 2016.

<u>First Issue – Salvage Value for Hydro Tank.</u> The hydro tank is not being abandoned, so there is no salvage value. The initial thought, as set forth in Mr. Flynn's prefiled testimony in the UIF rate case, is that the hydro tank will be relocated to the Cypress Lakes system. Although it is UIF's preference to use the hydro tank at the Cypress Lakes plant, that may not be possible depending upon the timing of the interconnect at Summertree. If the interconnect is not completed in time, UIF may have to purchase a new hydro tank for Cypress Lakes in which case it will use the Summertree hydro tank to replace one of the much older hydro tanks at the Orangewood system. The estimated cost addressed by Mr. Flynn was only for moving and installation costs and does not include any "value" for the hydro tank itself. The cost of a hydro tank this size is about \$25,000. The net book value of about \$57,000 on the Summertree books includes the installation and piping in addition to the hydro tank. The salvage value of the hydro tank would be less than \$5,000 which is why UIF would prefer repurposing it at another system. However, recovery of the expense of relocating that hydro tank is not being sought in this proceeding.

<u>Second Issue – Depreciation</u>. UIF calculated the loss on abandonment in compliance with Rule 25-30.433(9), F.A.C.

Staff has also asked that we file an update rate case expense Schedule which is attached.

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Should you or Staff have any questions regarding this filing, please do not hesitate to give me a call.

Very truly yours,

MARTIN S. FRIEDMAN

For the Firm

MSF/

cc: John Hoy (via email)

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September 7, 2016

Utilities, Inc.

2335 Sanders Road Northbrook, IL 60062 USA Invoice No.:

3126

File No.:

30057.224

PLEASE REFER TO INVOICE NUMBER WHEN REMITTING.

Attention:

John Stover

RE:

UTILITIES INC. OF FLORIDA 2015 LIMITED PROCEEDING

Balance Due Now				\$432.00
FEES			<u>Hours</u>	Amount
08/18/16	MSF	Draft Affidavits of Mailing Final Customer Notices for Marion & Seminole Counties and letter to Mr. Deason concerning same; Review OPC letter to Staff and letter to Mr. Hoy and others concerning same; Letter to Mr. Deason regarding notices;	0.50	\$180.00
08/20/16	MSF	Review customer notices and affidavits and draft and efile Notice of Filing	0.20	\$72.00
08/30/16	MSF	Review executed Bulk Water Agreement; Research, draft and efile Notice of Filing;	0.20	\$72.00
08/31/16	MSF	Review Staff Recommendation and letter to Mr Hoy and others concerning same;	0.30	\$108.00
		Total Fees	1.20	\$432.00

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Time Listing
Sep/ 1/2016 To Sep/22/2016

Lwyr Lawyer Matter Date Entry # Matter Description Law Type Task Explanation Hours Rate Total Martin S. Friedman Sep 8/2016 30057.224 Utilities, Inc. 37067 UTILITIES INC. OF FLORIDA 2015 LIMITED PROCEEDING util Telephone Conference with Mr. Hoy and Mr. Flynn who No Hold 0.40 360.00 144.00 telephoned in preparation for Agenda; BMF Bridget M. Friedman Bridget M. Frie Sep 9/2016 30057.224 37170 Utilities, Inc. UTILITIES INC. OF FLORIDA 2015 LIMITED PROCEEDING UTILITIES INC. OF FLORIDA 2015 LIMITED PROCEEDING
Review, research and respond to correspondence from Mr. Flynn
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regarding easements; 72.00 No Hold 360.00 regarding easements; MSF Martin S. Friedman Sep 12/2016 30057.224 Utilities, Inc. UTILITIES INC. OF FLORIDA 2015 LIMITED PROCEEDING 37256 util Review of Staff Recommendation in preparation for Agenda; No Hold 4.10 360.00 1476.00 Review new oral modification; Travel to Tallahassee for PSC Agenda MSF Martin S. Friedman Sep 12/2016 30057.224 Utilities, Inc.
UTILITIES INC. OF FLORIDA 2015 LIMITED PROCEEDING util 37268 No Hold 2880.00 return to central Florida Prepare for and attend Public Service Commission agenda and 8.00 360.00 MSF Martin S. Friedman Sep 17/2016 30057.224 Utilities, Inc. 37373 UTILITIES INC. OF FLORIDA 2015 LIMITED PROCEEDING util No Hold RWM Research and draft letter to Clerk with response to OPC 0.30 360.00 108.00 letter; Correspondence with Mr. Hoy; *** Summary by Task Code *** Task Code Eours Amount *** Billable *** - Billable Work Monthly 13.00 4680.00 Total Billable 13.00 4680.00 Total: 13.00 *** Summary by Working Lawyer *** Working Lawyer Hours Amount BMF - Bridget M. Friedman 0.20 72,00 MSF - Martin S. Friedman 4608.00 12.80 13.00 4680.00 REPORT SELECTIONS - Time Listing Layout Template Default Advanced Search Filter None i Requested by MSF Finished Thursday, September 22, 2016 at 09:27:07 AM Ver 14.1 (14.1.20150324) Date Range Sep/ 1/2016 To Sep/22/2016 30057, 224 Matters Clients A11 Major Clients Al1 Client Intro Lawyer All Matter Intro Lawyer All Responsible Lawyer All Type of Law A11 Select From Active, Inactive, Archived Matters Working Lawyer All Task A11 Summarize by Type of Law No

Order Entered

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No

No

Utilities, Inc. of Florida Docket No. 150269-WS Friedman & Friedman, P.A.

- Rate Case Expense Allocated to Pasco County per Order No. PSC-16-0296-PAA-WS: \$10,811.
- Attorneys' fees since July 7, 2016 Agenda \$5,112.00 [\$252 is related to Marion/Seminole and should be removed from Pasco portion] (Invoice and Time Listing attached)
- Expenses since July 7, 2016 Agenda \$1,376.03 (Includes UIF travel expenses)

ESTIMATE TO COMPLETE RATE CASE THROUGH PAA ORDER

Hours	Description	
1.0 hrs.	Review and Respond to Data Request and OPC Post Agenda Issues	
1.0 hrs.	Review Staff recommendation; Conference with client and consultants regarding recommendation; Conference with Staff regarding recommendation.	
14.0 hrs.	Travel to and from Tallahassee; Prepare for and attend Agenda conference, discuss Agenda with client and Staff.	
.5 hrs.	Review PAA Order; conference with client and consultants regarding PAA Order.	
2.0 hrs.	Prepare revised tariff sheets, obtain Staff approval of tariffs; Draft customer notice, obtain Staff approval; Draft Affidavit of Mailing; Coordinate mailing of customer notices and implementation of tariffs.	
18.5 hrs. @ \$360/hr.	\$6,660.00 - TOTAL ESTIMATED ATTORNEYS FEES	

Estimate of costs to complete:

\$ 510.00 Attend Agenda Conference (travel/meals/hotel)
 \$ 5.00 Estimated photocopier costs
 \$ 515.00 TOTAL ESTIMATED AND UNBILLED COSTS

COMPANY COSTS (meals & hotel) TO ATTEND AGENDA: <u>\$434.00</u> (mileage included in legal costs)

TOTAL ACTUAL AND ESTIMATED LEGAL FEES: \$22,331.001 TOTAL ACTUAL AND ESTIMATED COSTS: \$2,325.03

¹ Includes a \$252 reduction for legal fees for non-Pasco County matters