### LAKE IDLEWILD UTILITY COMPANY

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# *Re: DOCKET NO. 20180216-WS - PETITION OF JUMPER CREEK UTILITY COMPANY FOR LIMITED ALTERNATIVE RATE INCREASE PURSUANT TO RULE 25-30.458, FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE IN LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA*

To Whom It May Concern,

Please find attached a copy of the Petition for Limited Alternative Rate Increase in the above referenced docket in Lake County. Please place these documents in the library for review prior to the customer meeting scheduled for February 27, 2019.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (727) 848-8292, ext. 245.

Respectfully Submitted,

Troy Rendell Vice President Investor Owned Utilities // for Lake Idlewild Utility Company

Cc: Commission Clerk, Florida Public Service Commission

## LAKE IDLEWILD UTILITY COMPANY

November 19, 2018

Office of Commission Clerk Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399

Re: Petition of Lake Idlewild Utility Company for Limited Alternative Rate Increase pursuant to Rule No. 25-30.457, Florida Administrative Code

Dear Commission Clerk,

Lake Idlewild Utility Company's (Lake Idlewild or Utility) hereby submits its application for a Limited Alternative Rate Increase pursuant to Rule No. 25-30.457, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.) in Lake County.

#### In support of its petition thereof, Lake Idlewild states the following:

Pursuant to Rule 25-30.457, F.A.C., as an alternative to a rate case, a Class C utility may petition the Commission for a limited alternative rate increase of up to 20 percent of service revenues. This rule was designed to streamline the rate increase process for qualifying small water or wastewater companies, by establishing an abbreviated procedure for a limited rate increase that is less time consuming and thus less costly for the utilities, customers, and Commission staff. This rule is similar to the rules governing price index and pass-through increases, in that an engineering or financial audit of the utility's books and records is not required.

The rule was adopted by the Commission on March 15, 2005. The Commission has previously approved such petitions twice in the following Orders:

<u>Order No.</u> PSC-06-0822-PAA-WU PSC-06-0444-PAA-WU

<u>Issued</u> October 6, 2006 May 22, 2006 <u>Utility</u> Pinecrest Ranches, Inc. Brendenwood Water System, Inc.

#### Rule 25-30.457, F.A.C.

Lake Idlewild provides the following criteria for consideration:

- 1) Utility is eligible for staff assistance,
- 2) Utility's books and records are organized consistent with Rule 25-30.110, F.A. C.,
- 3) Utility has on file with the Commission its Annual Reports,
- 4) Utility has paid all applicable regulatory assessment fees,

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- Utility has at least one year of experience in operations. The utility was purchased on August 29, 2014.
- 6) Utility has provided additional relevant information contained below within the body of its petition.
- Utility's last rate case was approved in Order No. PSC-16-0305-PAA-WU, issued July 28, 2016 (SARC Order),
- 8) Said SARC Order established the Utility's rate base, capital structure, annual operating expenses and revenues and was issued with the 7-year period prior to petition.

#### **General Utility Information**

A) The Utility's name as it appears on its certificates and its mailing address are:

Lake Idlewild Utility Company 4939 Cross Bayou Blvd. New Port Richey, Florida 34652 (727) 848-8292 (Telephone) (727) 848-7701 (Facsimile)

B) The names and addresses of the Utility's authorized representatives are:

Troy Rendell Vice President Investor Owned Utilities U.S. Water Services Corporation 4939 Cross Bayou Blvd. New Port Richey, Florida 34652 (727) 848-8292 (Telephone) (727) 848-7701 (Facsimile) trendell@uswatercorp.net

C) Lake Idlewild Utility Company is a Florida corporation authorized to do business in Florida as of July 17, 2014. The names and addresses of the persons who own 5 percent or more of the Utility's stock are:

Gary A. Deremer President and CEO 5320 Captains Court New Port Richey, FL 34652 Lake Idlewild Utility Company Limited Alternative Rate Increase November 19, 2018

> Cecil Delcher Vice President 11702 Forest Hills Dr. Tampa, FL 33612

Victoria Penick 6043 Fall River Dr New Port Richey, FL 34655

#### Petitioner's Schedules

Attached hereto are the following required schedules:

- (a) Annualized revenues by customer class and meter size for the most recent 12-month period using the rates in effect at the time the utility files its petition. The most recent 12-month period used is October 2017 through September 2018.
- (b) Current and proposed rates for all classes of customers utilizing 20 percent of the annualized water service revenue.
- (c) Additional informational schedule showing most recent 12-month Operating Expenses.

#### Petitioner's Statements

Lake Idlewild through the undersigned representative hereby states that the figures and calculations upon which the change in rates is based are accurate.

Lake Idlewild further states that the change in rates will not cause the Utility to exceed its last authorized rate of return on equity of 8.74 percent, with a range of 7.74 percent to 9.74 percent as established by Order No. PSC-16-0305-PAA-WU, issued July 28, 2016.

#### Filing Fee

The total filing fee in the amount of \$200 is also attached to this LARI petition pursuant to Rule 25-30.30.020(2)(f), Florida Administrative Code.

WHERFORE, the Utility respectfully requests that the Commission:

- A. Accept jurisdiction of this Petition and utilize the procedure set forth in Rule 25-30.457, F.A.C;
- B. Evaluate the petition and determine the petitioner's eligibility for a limited alternative rate increase within 30 days of receipt of said petition.

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C. Notify the petitioner in writing as to whether the petition is accepted or denied.

D. Approve final rates as requested herein within 90 days from the official filing date

as established by Rule 25-30.457(4), F.A.C.;

Respectfully Submitted,

Troy Rendell Vice President Investor Owned Utilities // for Lake Idlewild Utility Company

#### Lake Idlewild Utility Company

Water Service: <b>Residential</b>	<u>Bills</u>	- 7	Current Rates	Annualized <u>Revenue</u>
5/8" x 3/4" Meters	847	\$	16.09	\$ 13,628.23
3/4" Meters		\$	24.14	
1" Meters		\$	40.23	
1 1/2" Meters		\$	80.45	
2" Meters		\$	128.72	
3" Meters		\$	257.44	
4" Meters		\$	402.25	
6" Meters		\$	804.50	
Gallonage Charge	<u>Gallons</u>			
0 - 3,000 Gal	2629	\$	2.11	\$ 5,547.19
Over 3,000 Gal	8570	\$	2.47	\$21,167.90
Annualized Revenue				\$40,343.32

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#### Lake Idlewild Utility Company CURRENT AND PROPOSED - WATER

		Lake Idlewild Utility Company		
			SECOND	
			REVISED	
Line	4	CURRENT	PROPOSED	
No.		RATES	RATES	
1	% Increase		20.00%	
2	<b>RESIDENTIAL SERVICE &amp; GENERAL SE</b>	RVICE		
3	Sheet #	3rd Revised	12.0 & 13.0	
4	BFC:			
5	5/8" x 3/4" Meters	\$16.09	\$19.31	
6	3/4" Meters	\$24.14	\$28.97	
7	1" Meters	\$40.23	\$48.28	
8	1 1/2" Meters	\$80.45	\$96.55	
9	2" Meters	\$128.72	\$154.48	
10	3" Meters	\$257.44	\$308.96	
11	4" Meters	\$402.25	\$482.75	
12	6" Meters	\$804.50	\$965.50	
13				
14	ResidentialGallonage Charge	1000 million (1000)		
15	0 - 3,000 Gal	\$2.11	\$2.53	
16	Over 3,000 Gal	\$2.47	\$2.96	
17	197			
18	General Service Gallonage Charge	\$2.41	\$2.89	
19				
20	PRIVATE FIRE PROTECTION SERVICE			
21	Sheet #	2nd Revised	13.1	
22	BFC:			
23	2" Meters	\$10.73	\$12.88	
24	3" Meters	\$21.45	\$25.74	
25	4" Meters	\$33.52	\$40.22	
26	6" Meters	\$67.04	\$80.45	
27	8" Meters	\$107.27	\$128.72	
28	10" Meters	\$154.20	\$185.04	