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# Public Service Commission

October 1, 2024

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**STAFF'S FIRST DATA REQUEST  
VIA EMAIL**

**Re: Docket No. 20240105-SU - Application for staff-assisted rate case in Polk County, by West Lakeland Wastewater, LLC.**

Dear Mr. Smallridge:

For the engineering portion of this rate case, staff requires several items to ensure fast and expedient treatment of your rate case. Please submit the following information for the period of July 1, 2023, to June 30, 2024, (test year), unless another time period is specified, by **Thursday, October 31, 2024**.

1. Purchased Wastewater: All utility related bills from the beginning of the test year to present, which include meter number and location, gallons used, dollars paid, and the utility's account numbers.
2. Purchased Power: All utility related electricity bills from the beginning of the test year to present, which include meter number and location, kilowatts used, dollars paid, and the electric company's account numbers.
3. Chemicals: A list of all chemicals used in the treatment of wastewater, amounts purchased, quantity purchased, unit prices paid, and dosage rates utilized.
4. Sludge Removal Expenses: Provide a schedule showing the total cost and quantity of removing the sludge, if persons other than owners, stockholders, and employees of the utility perform such work during the test year.
5. Contractual Services – Testing: A list of tests along with costs paid to outside laboratories for testing the wastewater during the test year.
6. Contractual Services – Other: The costs of operation and maintenance work not performed by utility employees, with an explanation of the type of work performed.

These costs include the operator's fee, mowing and grounds keeping, and contracted repair for the wastewater system.

7. Transportation Expenses: A schedule of all vehicles by serial number and description, owned or leased by the utility, original cost or lease documents, whom the vehicles are assigned to, and an explanation of how they are allocated to the utility, or a copy of the log book showing miles on personal vehicles associated with utility business.
8. Copies of discharge monitoring reports for wastewater from July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024, (test year) in Microsoft Excel format, if available, which includes:
  - FOR WASTEWATER – Total treated, total wash water, total of each chemical in points, chemical dosage rates (average).
9. Copy of monthly totals of wastewater sold for each month of the test year.
10. A written summary, by permit number, of all Department of Environmental Protection, Water Management District, and/or County Health Department permits.
11. If any plant addition has been made or will be required due to a written order from a governmental agency, please provide a copy of that order.
12. A list of all service complaints received during the test year and four years prior to the test year. Please include the date of complaint, an explanation of how each complaint was resolved, and the date of resolution.
13. A listing of all wastewater assets owned by the utility, including sewer piping, lift stations, etc.
  - Example: 200' – 8" PVC (Sewer)
  - 250' – 6" PVC Pipe (Sewer)
14. Number of customers classified as to meter size and class (commercial or residential) for the following points in time:
  - a) A minimum of 4 years prior to the beginning of the test (or calendar last) year.
  - b) The beginning of the last calendar year.
  - c) The end of the last calendar year.
  - d) Present.
15. Please provide a copy of the utility's engineering maps for wastewater showing location and size of wastewater mains throughout the service area and customer location and classification. On each map, please identify vacant customer lots, customer meter sizes, and lift stations.

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16. Please fill out the spreadsheet attached concerning any pro forma items the utility is requesting. Please include any bid proposals or estimates for the pro forma items. If less than three bid proposals were requested for each pro forma item, please explain why.

Please file all responses electronically via the Commission's website at [www.floridapsc.com](http://www.floridapsc.com), by selecting the Clerk's Office tab and Electronic Filing Web Form (reference Docket No. 20240105-SU) and also please email the filed response to [discovery-gcl@psc.state.fl.us](mailto:discovery-gcl@psc.state.fl.us). Please contact me by phone at (850) 413-6974 or by email [aramirez@psc.state.fl.us](mailto:aramirez@psc.state.fl.us) if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

*s/ Ailynee Ramirez-Abundez*

Ailynee Ramirez-Abundez  
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Bureau of Reliability and Resource Planning  
Division of Engineering

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Enclosure

cc: Office of the Commission Clerk (Docket No. 20240105-SU)  
Rhonda Hicks, Office of Auditing and Performance Analysis

Site	Item	NARUC Account Number	Issue Relevance*	Problem	Solution	Regulatory Mandate (M) or Enhancement (E)	Comments	Year?	Year?	Year?	Total

\*For Issue Relevance, please use DM (Deferred Maintenance), S (Safety), C (Compliance), R (Reliability), or WWQ (Wastewater Quality). In the year columns, please include the amount spent and projected to be spent.