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VIA HAND DELIVERY

Blanca S. Bayo, Director
Division of Records and Reporting
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re: Application for Increased Water Rates by Hobe Sound Water Company (HSWC) in Martin County, Docket No. 970164-WU

Dear Ms. Bayo:


Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced docket are the original and 15 copies of an affidavit of Michael Carfine, Manager of The Hobe Sound Water Company, attesting to the date on which the Notice of Proposed Agency Action Order Granting Final Rates and Charges was mailed to the utility's customers.

For purpose of our records, please acknowledge your receipt of this filing on the enclosed copy of this letter.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP


D. Bruce May

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cc: Roseanne Capeless
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Michael Carfine
John F. Guastella

TAL-119165

AFFIDAVIT OF MICHAEL CARFINE

**STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF MARTIN**

Before me personally appeared Michael Carfine who, being duly sworn states:

1. I am the Manager of The Hobe Sound Water Company ("Hobe Sound").
2. Hobe Sound sent the attached notice to all of its customers by United

States mail on October 31, 1997.

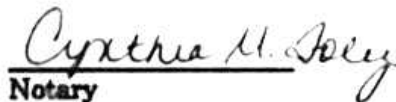
FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.



Michael Carfine
Manager
The Hobe Sound Water Company

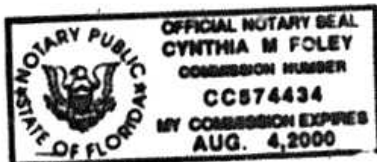
SWORN TO and SUBSCRIBED before me on this 3rd day of

November, 1997.


Notary

My Commission Expires:

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Hobe Sound Water Company

PUBLIC NOTICE
THE HOBE SOUND WATER COMPANY
 Docket No. 970164-WU
 Notice of Proposed Agency Action Order
 Granting Final Rates and Charges

WATER SERVICE RATES

NOTICE is hereby given that the Hobe Sound Water Company has been granted a water service rate increase by the Florida Public Service Commission ("Commission") in Order No. PSC-97-1225-FOF-WU issued October 10, 1997. With this decision, which will become final if no timely protest is filed, the Commission disposes of the previously granted rates and establishes the following charges as permanent approved rates for water service. The increase will be charged for service rendered on and after November 1, 1997 and will appear beginning on your December bill.

The approved rates consist of a monthly base facility charge and three tier (inclining block) usage charge for residential customers and a monthly base facility and flat gallonage charge for general service customers. The approved water service rates are as follows:

WATER
RESIDENTIAL & GENERAL SERVICE

Base Facility Charge:

<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>Prior Rate</u>	<u>Commission Approved Rate</u>
5/8" x 3/4"	\$ 17.59	\$ 15.87
3/4"	20.38	23.81
1"	33.96	39.68
1 1/2"	67.92	79.35
2"	108.68	126.96
3"	217.35	253.92
4"	339.60	396.75

Gallonage Charge:

Residential Service
(per 1,000 gallons)

Up to 10,000 Gallons	\$0.87	\$0.89
10,001 to 40,000 Gallons	1.96	2.23
Over 40,000 Gallons	2.62	3.34

General Service

Charge Per 1,000 Gallons	1.63	2.06
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For further information regarding this notice, contact the Water Company office by telephone at (561)546-2511 or by writing the Hobe Sound Water Company, P.O. Box 68, Hobe Sound, Florida 33475

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