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December 27, 2007

Ann Cole, Commission Clerk Office of Commission Clerk Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399

RE: Docket No.: 070413-WS; S. V. Utilities, Ltd.'s Application for Staff Assisted Rate

Case in Polk County, Florida Our File No.: 42038.01

Dear Ms. Cole:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced docket are the original and fifteen (15) copies of the Notice of Filing the Affidavit of Mailing the Customer Notice to all customers of the utility on behalf of S. V. Utilities, Ltd.

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Application for Staff-Assisted Rate Case in Polk County by S.V. Utilities, Ltd.

Docket No.: 070413-WS

NOTICE OF FILING

Applicant, S.V. Utilities, Ltd., by and through its undersigned attorneys, hereby gives notice of filing in the above-referenced docket the Affidavit of Mailing the Customer Notice to all customers of the utility.

Respectfully submitted this 27th day of December, 2007, by:

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AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF POLK

Before me, the undersigned authority, authorized to administer oaths and take acknowledgments, personally appeared **Ron Bayley**, who, after being duly sworn on oath, did depose on oath and say that he she is the **Vice Passident** of S. V. Utilities, LTD., and that on December **25** 2007, he/she did send by regular U.S. Mail, a copy of the Customer Notice, attached hereto, to all customers of the utility.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.

Print Name: Row Boxky
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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 215t day of December 2007, by

who is personally known to me or has produced as identification.

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

NOTICE OF CUSTOMER MEETINGS

TO THE CUSTOMERS OF S.V. UTILITIES, LTD. UTILITIES

AND

ALL OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS

DOCKET NO. 070413-WS

APPLICATION OF S.V. UTILITIES, LTD. UTILITIES

FOR A STAFF-ASSISTED RATE CASE IN

POLK COUNTY

Issued: December 21, 2007

Notice is hereby given that the staff of the Florida Public Service Commission will conduct a customer meeting to discuss the application of S.V. Utilities, Ltd. (S.V. or utility) for a staff-assisted rate case in Polk County. The meeting will be held at the following time and place:

5:00-8:30 p.m., Thursday, January 10, 2007 Chain of Lakes Complex – Poolside Room 210 Cypress Gardens Blvd., West Winter Haven, FL 33880

All persons who wish to comment are urged to be present at the beginning of the meeting, since the meeting may be adjourned early if no customers are present. One or more of the Commissioners of the Florida Public Service Commission may attend and participate in this meeting. The meeting will begin as scheduled and will continue until all the customers have been heard.

The Public Service Commission staff is also attempting to meet with representatives of customer groups and homeowners associations on January 10, 2007, between 2:00p.m. and 4:00p.m. at the Chain of Lakes Complex. If you are a representative of a customer group or homeowners association and you have not been contacted by the Public Service Commission staff, and wish to meet with staff, please contact Lydia Roberts at (850) 413-6877 of the Public Service Commission staff prior to January 7, 2007.

All persons who wish to participate in individual meetings are urged to make an appointment, since the individual meeting session may be canceled if no appointments are made.

If a named storm or other disaster requires cancellation of the meeting, Commission staff will attempt to give timely direct notice to the parties. Notice of cancellation of the meeting will also be provided on the Commission's website (http://www.psc.state.fl.us/) under the Hot Topics link found on the home page. Cancellation can also be confirmed by calling the Office of the General Counsel at 850-413-6199.

Any person requiring some accommodation at the customer meeting(s) because of a physical impairment should call the Office of Commission Clerk at (850)413-6770 at least five calendar days prior to the meeting(s). Any person who is hearing or speech impaired should contact the Florida Public Service Commission by using the Florida Relay Service, which can be reached at 1-800-955-8771 (TDD).

PURPOSE

The purpose of this meeting is to give customers and other interested persons an opportunity to offer comments to the Public Service Commission Staff regarding the quality of service the utility provides, the proposed rate increase, and to ask questions and comment on staff's preliminary rates included in this notice as well as other issues. Staff members will summarize S.V.'s proposed filing, the preliminary work accomplished, and answer questions to the extent possible. A representative from the utility has also been invited to respond to questions.

At the beginning of the meeting, procedures will be established for the order of comments. The Public Service Commission staff will have sign-up sheets, and customers will be called to speak in the order that they sign-up. Public Service Commission staff will be available to coordinate customers' comments and to assist members of the public.

Any person who wishes to comment or provide information to staff may do so at the meetings, orally or in writing. Written comments may also be sent to the Commission at the address given at the end of this notice. Your letter will be placed in the correspondence file of this docket. You may also submit comments through the Public Service Commission's toll-free facsimile line at 1-800-511-0809.

BACKGROUND

S.V. Utilities, Ltd. (S.V.or Utility) is a class C utility located in the Highlands Ridge water use caution area of Polk County. S.V. is a limited partnership formed in 1981. Century Realty Funds, Inc. owns 1 percent of the limited partnership; and Ms. Anita K. Maxwell owns the remaining 99 percent. The utility's service territory is built out at 728 customers in the Swiss Village Mobile Home Park. According to S.V.'s 2006 Annual Report, the utility reported operating revenues of \$73,554 for water and \$66,453 for wastewater and a net operating income of \$4,390 for water and \$4,274 for wastewater.

S.V. has been under Commission jurisdiction since May 14, 1996, when Polk County transferred jurisdiction to the PSC. S.V. was never franchised by Polk County. S.V. was granted a grandfather certificate in Order No. PSC-99-1234-PAA-WS. The Commission also set rates and charges for the utility. On October 16, 1998, S.V. applied for a pass-through rate adjustment effective November 30, 1998 in order to cover the Commissions regulatory assessment fees (RAFs).

On July 16, 2007, the utility filed an application for a staff assisted rate case (SARC). This is S.V.'s first SARC since coming under Commission jurisdiction. Staff has audited S.V. records for compliance with Commission rules and orders, and examined all components necessary for rate setting. The staff engineer has also conducted a field investigation, which included a visual inspection of the water and wastewater facilities along with the service area. The utility's operating expenses, maps, files, and rate application were also reviewed to determine reasonableness of maintenance expenses, regulatory compliance, plant in service, and quality of service. Staff has selected a historical test year ending December 31, 2006.

The Commission has jurisdiction to consider this rate case pursuant to Section 367.0814, Florida Statutes (F.S.).

CURRENT AND PRELIMINARY RATES AND CHARGES

Staff has compiled the following rates and charges for the purpose of discussion at the customer meeting. These rates are preliminary and subject to change based on information gathered at the customer meeting, further staff review, and the final decision by the Commissioners. The utility's current and staff's preliminary rates and charges are as follows:

S.V. UTILITIES, LTD	UTILITY'S	PRELIMINARY		
MONTHLY WATER RATES	EXISTING	RECOMMENDED		
	RATES *	RATES		
Residential Service and General Service				
Base Facility Charge All Meter Sizes				
5/8"X3/4"	\$15.71 *	\$4.87		
3/4"		\$7.31		
1"		\$12.18		
1-1/2"		\$24.35		
2"		\$38.96		
3"		\$77.92		
4"		\$121.75		
6"		\$243.50		
* existing BFC for water and wastewater (also includes 8,000 gallons)				
Gallonage Charge - (per 1,000 gallons)				
8,000 - 10,000 gallon	\$1.31			
Above 10,000 gallons	\$2.09			
All gallons		\$3.36		

¹ <u>See</u> Order No. PSC-99-1234-PAA-WS, issued June 22, 1999 in Docket No. 981337-WS, <u>In re: Application for grandfather certificates to operate water and utilities in Charlotte County by S.V. Utilities, Ltd;</u>

S.V. UTILITIES, LTD	UTILITY'S	PRELIMINARY		
MONTHLY WASTEWATER RATES	EXISTING	RECOMMENDED		
-	RATES *	RATES		
Residential Service				
Base Facility Charge All Meter Sizes	\$15.71 *	\$5.88		
Gallonage Charge – (per 1,000 gallons)				
8,000 - 10,000 gallon	\$1.31			
Above 10,000 gallons	\$2.09			
All gallons		\$7.91		
* existing BFC for water and wastewater (also includes 8,000 gallons)				
General Service				
Base Facility Charge by Meter Size:				
5/8"X3/4"		\$5.88		
3/4"		\$8.82		
1"		\$14.70		
1-1/2"		\$29.40		
2"		\$47.04		
3"		\$94.08		
4"		\$147.00		
6"		\$294.00		
Gallonage Charge (all gallons)		\$9.49		

STAFF REPORTS AND UTILITY APPLICATION

The results of staff's preliminary investigation are contained in a staff report dated December 10, 2007. Copies of the report may be examined by interested members of the public from 8:00a.m. to 4:00p.m., Monday through Friday at the following location:

Swiss Village 365 Bern Drive Winter Haven, FL 33881

PROCEDURES AFTER CUSTOMER MEETINGS

After the meetings, the Public Service Commission staff will prepare a recommendation which is scheduled to be submitted to the Public Service Commission on February 21, 2007. The Public Service Commission will then vote on staff's recommendation at its March 4, 2007 agenda conference. The Commission will thereafter issue a proposed agency action (PAA) order containing rates which may be different from those contained in staff's final recommendation. Substantially affected persons have 21 days from the date the PAA order is issued to protest the Commission's proposed agency action order. Five to ten customers or persons who attend the meeting and who wish to receive a copy of the recommendation and the order should so indicate

at the meeting. Those individuals are expected to distribute the information in the recommendation and the order to other customers. Anyone who is unable to attend and who wishes to obtain a copy of the recommendation or the order may do so by requesting in writing to the Commission at the address at the end of this notice.

HOW TO CONTACT THE COMMISSION

Written comments regarding the utility and the proposed rates, and requests to be placed on the mailing list for this case, may be directed to this address:

Director, Office of Commission Clerk Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

All correspondence should refer to "Docket No. 070413-WS, S.V. Utilities, Ltd."

If you wish to contact the Commission regarding complaints about service, you may call the Commission's Division of Regulatory Compliance and Consumer Affairs at the following toll-free number: 1-800-342-3552.

This notice was prepared by Commission staff for distribution by the utility to its customers.