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Hublic Service Commission

September 17, 2009



Mike Smallridge West Lakeland Wastewater, Inc. P.O. Box 10419 Brooksville, FL 34603

Re: Docket No. 090415-SU; Application for staff-assisted rate case in Polk County by West Lakeland Wastewater, Inc.

Dear Mr. Smallridge:

We have determined eligibility for staff assistance filed by West Lakeland Wastewater, Inc. (West Lakeland or Utility). We find that the Utility is eligible for the staff assisted rate case filing.

The staff engineer has determined the filing fee in this rate case is \$1,000. The fee is based on the capacity of the utility system as provided by Section 367.145(2) of the Florida Statutes. The filing fee must be received by October 16, 2009 which is the official filing date for this rate case.

Section 367.091(2), Florida Statutes, provides:

Upon filing an application for new rates, the utility shall mail a copy of the application to the chief executive officer of the governing body of each county within the service areas included in the rate request. The governing body may petition the commission for leave to intervene in the rate change proceeding and the commission shall grant intervenor status to any governing body that files a petition.

Please forward a copy of West Lakeland's application for a SARC to the Chief Executive -Officer of Polk County as required by law, and copy the Commission as proof that an application was forwarded to them.

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Members of Commission staff will contact you to schedule a convenient time for examination of the utility's books and records and physical plant. If you have any questions regarding the rate proceeding, please call Shannon Hudson at (850) 413-7021.

Sincerely,

Timothy Devlin

Director

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