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DATE:

October 18, 2011

TO:

Ann Cole, Commission Clerk, Office of Commission Clerk

FROM:

Lydia Roberts, Regulatory Analyst II, Division of Economic Regulation

RE:

Re: Docket No. 110254-WS - Initiation of show cause proceedings against Four Points Utility Corporation in Polk County for violation of Commission rules and regulations as outlined in the Florida Public Service Commission's management audit for Four Points Utility Corporation and Bimini Bay Utilities Corporation

issued June 2011.

Attached are documents for inclusion in the docket file for the above referenced docket. The documents consist of complaints from customers pertaining to Four Points Utility Corporation.

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From: Regina Nax <max@islandhideaway.net>

To: martinschiff2@yahoo.com Cc: pscreply@psc.state.fl.us

Sent: Wednesday, October 12, 2011 11:56 AM

Subject: 1032739W Martin Schiff

Dear Mr. Schiff,

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In regards to your statement in that e-mail that "2 of your officials, Stephens and Guthrie, were required to sign off on a document which acknowledged the overbilling and admitted that I really owed you only \$47.58", I have spoken with our Project Manager, Robert Treanor, who was present for that meeting. According to Mr. Treanor, the document you are referring to was written by Ms. Lydia Roberts from the PSC, and our employees signed as witnesses only and wrote such next to their signatures. Also, we were not provided with a copy of that statement for review or for our records.

Now, my research is based on the memory of employees present for that meeting. If you have a copy of that statement, showing that the employees who signed it were in fact agreeing to the terms in the statement, and not just acting as witnesses, I would appreciate a copy for our records.

In reviewing your account, I show you currently owe \$436.50 and have attached a copy of your statement. The breakdown for that balance is as follows:

Base Charges (\$30.29 each, no payment yet applied): \$396.50

Feb 19, 2010 (bal due \$2.73) Apr 20, 2010 May 19, 2010 Jun 21, 2010 Jul 21, 2010 Jan 20, 2011 Mar 21, 2011 Apr 20, 2011 May 13, 2011 Jun 13, 2011 Jul 13, 2011 Aug 11, 2011 Sep 9, 2011 Oct 10, 2011

Late Fees (\$5.00 each): \$20.00

Apr 19, 2010 May 12, 2010 Jul 13, 2010 Jan 12, 2011

Reconnect Fee (\$20.00 each): \$20.00

Jul 22, 2010

As you can see, there are no bills for usage, as there hasn't been any in quite some time, so I am not sure about your statement that you were illegally billed water charges from a tenant of David Meadows. Can you recall if that tenant was occupying your unit in 2008? From Sept, 2008 forward, I only show base charges, late fees and a reconnect fee on your account. Prior to that, your account reflects credits and payments that zeroed the balance to start clean.

The only charges that I can see that may need further review are the late fees and reconnection fee. However, even if we credit those from your account, there would still be a balance due of \$396.50 for unpaid base charges.

Please let me know if you have any other questions, or if you can send me a copy of that statement and e-mail. Thank you, and have a great day!

Regards,

Regina

Regina Nax

Office Manager Four Points Utilities O-863-424-0130, ext. 116 F-863-588-3046

E-Mail: RNax@islandhideaway.net

1 Attached files | 82KB

Four Points Utility Corp PO Box 135878 Clermont, FL 34713



## Invoice

Date	Invoice #	
10/10/2011	UW547 10 11	

Due Date	10/31/2011

Bill To

Martin Schiff 632 Derby Avenue Woodmere, NY11598 00000

**New Service** We now accept credit card payments by phone or in person - Call the office at the number below

Service Address:	547 Caribbean Dr	Due Date		10/31/2011 Amount
Description		Qty	Rate	
Water Meter Serial Num	ber - 18679831		0.00	0.00
Water Previous Reading		135.090	0.00	0.00
Water Current Reading		135,090	0.00	0.00
Water - Total Gallon Usa	ge	0	0.00	0.00
Water - Base Charge		1 )	11.68	11.68
Water - First 10,000 galle	ons	0]	2.75	0.00
Water - Excess over 10,0	00 gallons	0	3.37	0.00
Waste Water - Base Char	ge	1	18.61	18.61
Waste Water - 0 to 10,00 per month	0 gallons - Maximum of 10,000 gallons	0	4.63	0.00

Follow signs to temporary location at 319 Australian Way. Call 863-424-0130 Ext 100 for account questions. Email mail@islandhideaway.net

"Billing Period 09-09-2011 through and including 10-10-2011

**Total Current Charges** 

\$30.29

Emergency Number after 5:00 P.M. EST (877) 504-7091. Call will be forwarded to Emergency personnel on duty

**Customer Total Balance Due** \$466.79



Four Points Utility Corp. PO Box 135878 Clermont, FL 34713 863-424-0130 x100



DETACH AND RETURN THE BOTTOM PORTION WITH YOUR PAYMENT

Due Date 10/31/2011 Total Current Charges \$30.29 Invoice # 10/31/2011 Service Address: Outstanding Balance \$466.79 547 Caribbean Dr Amount Enclosed:

Martin Schiff 632 Derby Avenue Woodmere, NY11598 00000

USE REVERSE TO NOTIFY US OF ADDRESS CHANGES

MARTIN SCHIFF, ESQ.

ATTORNEY AT LAW

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