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Re: Docket No. 160030-WS - Application for increase in water and wastewater rates in Lee and Pasco Counties by Ni Florida, LLC.

Dear Mr. Deterding:

By this letter, Commission staff requests that Ni Florida, LLC (Ni Florida or utility) provide responses to the following data requests:

1. In MFR B-12, the utility indicated that there were direct assigned legal expenses of \$390 for water and \$3,900 for wastewater. Please describe the work performed, why it was necessary, and provide support documentation for the \$4,290 (\$390 +\$3,900) included in MFR Schedule B-12.
2. For the 2015 test year, please provide the salary for each of the positions listed below.

Chief Financial Officer
Corporate Controller
Manager of Accounting
Manager of Operations
Manager of Public Relations
President of the Utility
Senior Vice President of Human Resources
Vice President of Capital Improvements (2 positions)
Vice President of Financial Due Diligence
Vice President of Operations

3. In response to Staff's First Data Request, Question 4, the utility identified Contractual Services – Other expense of approximately \$7,258 for leak repairs and other maintenance. Please identify any work (and related expense) included in that amount that relate to the tasks encompassed in Sections 2.01(D), (E), and (F) of the professional service contract.

Mr. F. Marshall Deterding

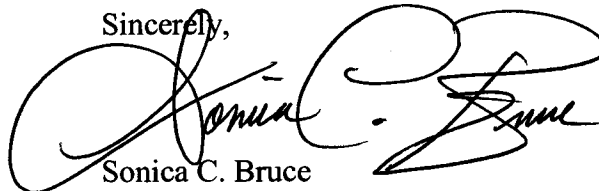
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4. In response to Staff's First Data Request, Question 5, the utility indicated that there were direct assigned billing/customer service expenses of approximately \$10,668 for water. Please explain why the amounts related to billing and postage have been included in water O&M expense when sections 2.02 and 3.11 of the professional service contract indicate that those activities are included in the monthly management fee.
5. In response to Staff's First Data Request, Question 7, the utility identified Contractual Services – Billing/Customer Service expense of approximately \$31,616 and Contractual Services – Contract Labor expense of approximately \$19,326. Please explain why the amounts related to meter reading, billing, and postage have been included in wastewater O&M expense when sections 2.02 and 3.11 of the professional service contract indicate that those activities are included in the monthly management fee.
6. In response to Staff's First Data Request, Question 7, the utility identified Contractual Services – Other expense of approximately \$129,437 related to system maintenance. Please identify any work (and related expense) included in that amount that relate to the tasks encompassed in Sections 2.01(D), (E), and (F) of the professional service contract.
7. In response to Staff's First Data Request, Question 7, the utility included an expense of \$28,340.51 (dated 8/1/15) for repaired fuses, cleaned up spills, and set up of temporary pumps as part of its Contractual Services – Other expense. Please describe the work performed, why it was necessary, and provide support documentation for the \$28,340.51.
8. Please provide a copy of the electronic monitoring contract with Mission Communications, LLC.

Please respond to staff's data request by September 9, 2016 to allow this docket to be processed within the statutory time frame. Please submit your response to the Office of Commission Clerk, Docket No. 160030-WS, Florida Public Service Commission, 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd., Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850. The information should not be addressed to staff. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (850) 413-6994.

Sincerely,



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cc: Office of Commission Clerk (Docket No. 160030-WS)