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Ms. Blanca S. Bayo, Director  
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Florida Public Service Commission  
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard  
Betty Easley Conference Center, Room 110  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

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RECORDS AND REPORTING

Re: Docket No. 980242-SU

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed herewith for filing in the above-referenced docket on behalf of Lindrick Service Corporation ("Lindrick") are the original and fifteen copies of Lindrick's Notice of Filing Affidavit of Mailing Notice of Customer Meeting.

Please acknowledge receipt of these documents by stamping the extra copy of this letter "filed" and returning the same to me.

Thank you for your assistance with this filing.

Sincerely,

*Kenneth A. Hoffman*  
Kenneth A. Hoffman

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Amended Petition of Lindrick )  
Service Corporation for a Limited )  
Proceeding to Implement a Two-Step )  
Increase in Wastewater Rates. )  
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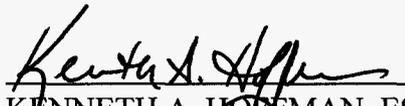
Docket No. 980242-SU

Filed: February 15, 1998

**NOTICE OF FILING**  
**AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING**  
**NOTICE OF CUSTOMER MEETING**

Lindrick Service Corporation, by and through its undersigned counsel, hereby files Notice that is has filed the attached Affidavit of Helen L. McNeil confirming that the Notice of Customer Meeting was mailed to all wastewater customers of Lindrick Service Corporation on January 29, 1999.

Respectfully submitted,



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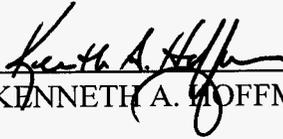
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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a copy of the foregoing was furnished by hand delivery to Ralph Jaeger, Esq., Division of Legal Services, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Room 370, Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1999.

  
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KENNETH A. HOFFMAN, ESQ.

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**AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING**  
**NOTICE OF CUSTOMER MEETING TO**  
**CUSTOMERS OF LINDRICK SERVICE CORPORATION**

State of Florida  
County of Pasco

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally appeared HELEN L. MCNEIL, who after being duly sworn, deposes and says:

1. That I am employed as the Utilities Manager of Lindrick Service Corporation.
2. That in my capacity as Utilities Manager of Lindrick Service Corporation, my duties include customer service activities and supervision over any required mailings to customers of Lindrick Service Corporation.
3. That on January 29, 1999, the Notice of Customer Meeting approved by the Florida Public Service Commission Staff, copy attached hereto as Exhibit A, was mailed to all wastewater customers of Lindrick Service Corporation, as evidenced by the attached customer meter receipt dated January 29, 1999 issued by the United States Postal Service, New Port Richey office, to Lindrick Service Corporation, in the amount of ~~\$37.00.~~ <sup>hlm</sup> 800.00.
4. Further Affiant sayeth not.

  
HELEN L. MCNEIL

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 10<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1999, by HELEN L. MCNEIL,  
who is personally known to me X or produced the following identification \_\_\_\_\_.

  
NOTARY PUBLIC - STATE OF FLORIDA

My commission expires:

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# LINDRICK SERVICE CORPORATION

POST OFFICE BOX 1176  
NEW PORT RICHEY, FLORIDA 34656-1176  
(813) 849-2266

January 27, 1999

ALL LINDRICK CUSTOMERS

**Re: Florida Public Service Commission Meeting**

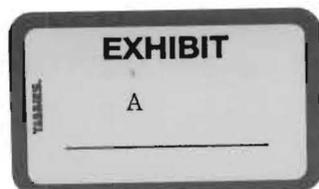
Dear Lindrick customer:

Please find attached information concerning a special meeting being held by the Florida Public Service Commission on February 17, 1999 at the Pasco County Commission office.

Should you have any questions regarding the meeting, details are included in the enclosed notice.

Sincerely,

LINDRICK SERVICE CORPORATION



**BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**NOTICE OF CUSTOMER MEETING**

**TO THE CUSTOMERS OF**

**LINDRICK SERVICE CORPORATION**

**AND**

**ALL OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS**

**RE: DOCKET NO. 980242-SU**

**Application for a  
Limited proceeding to Adjust Rates  
in Pasco County, Florida**

**DATED: JANUARY 27, 1999**

NOTICE is hereby given that the Staff of the Florida Public Service Commission will conduct a customer meeting to discuss the application of Lindrick Service Corporation (Lindrick) for a limited proceeding to implement a two-step increase in its wastewater rates. The meeting will be held at the following time and place:

6:30 p.m. Wednesday, February 17, 1999  
West Pasco Government Center  
Commission Chambers, Suite 150  
7530 Little Road  
New Port Richey, Florida

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. The meeting will begin as scheduled and will continue until all of the customers have been heard.

In addition to the customer meeting to be held on February 17, 1999, the Public Service Commission Staff would like to meet with representatives of customer groups and homeowners associations on February 17, 1999, between 2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. If you are a representative of a customer group or homeowners association and you have not been contacted by the Public Service Commission Staff, please contact Paulette Dewberry or Min Chu of the Public Service Commission staff at (850) 413-6962 or (850) 413-6968, respectively, prior to February 16, 1999.

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

Any person requiring some accommodation at the customer meeting(s) because of a physical impairment should call the Division of Records and Reporting at (850) 413-6770 at least 48 hours 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 the meetings is to give customers and other interested persons an opportunity to offer comments to the Public Service Commission Staff regarding the utility's pending application for a limited proceeding, the quality of service the utility provides and to ask questions and comment on Staff's preliminary rates included in this notice as well as other issues. Staff members will 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 in the order that they sign-up to speak. 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.

### THE APPLICATION

Lindrick provides water and wastewater service in Pasco County, Florida. On February 12, 1998, Lindrick filed, pursuant to Section 367.0822, Florida Statutes, a petition for a limited proceeding to implement a two-step increase in wastewater rates. However, on September 17, 1998, Lindrick filed its motion for leave to file amended petition for limited proceeding to implement two-step increase in wastewater rates and attached the Amended Petition. In the Amended Petition, Lindrick cites to: a Notice of Violation and Orders for Corrective Action issued by the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) on January 13, 1998; a Bulk of Wastewater Agreement between the City of New Port Richey (City) and Lindrick; and a Consent Order issued by DEP on June 26, 1998. Based on its agreements with DEP and the City, Lindrick states that it must make substantial improvements to its wastewater collection system to reduce chloride levels to below 600 milligrams per liter (mg/L) by May 19, 1999, and below 400 mg/L by May 19, 2000. Also, Lindrick states that it must remove its wastewater treatment plant

from service by no later than May 19, 1999, and retrofit that plant to a master lift station to equalize effluent flows to the City.

To make these improvements and changes, Lindrick requests a two-step rate increase in wastewater rates. The Phase 1 increase would allow Lindrick to recover the costs of: (a) the necessary collection system improvements to reduce chloride levels in the collection system to a maximum of 600 mg/L; and (b) bulk wastewater treatment service purchased from the City pursuant to the Bulk Wastewater Agreement. Lindrick requests approval of its Phase I increase prior to diverting its wastewater effluent flows to the City for bulk wastewater treatment service. Lindrick requests that the Commission approve the proposed Phase I increase in rates, with such Phase I increase subject to and effective on the date Lindrick files the documentation required under the Bulk Wastewater agreement confirming that chloride levels do not exceed 600 mg/L with the Commission. The requested revenue requirements associated with the Phase I costs represent an 84.95% increase over existing rates.

The Phase 2 final increase is intended to allow Lindrick to recover the remaining investments and costs required to comply with the Bulk Wastewater Agreement and Consent Order, including the cost of collection system improvements necessary to reduce chloride levels below 400 mg/L; the costs of abandonment of the wastewater treatment plant; and, the cost to retrofit the plant to a master lift station for flow equalization. Total requested revenue requirements associated with the Phase I and Phase II costs represent a 131.55% increase over existing rates.

Copies of the application are available for review at the following location:

Lindrick Service Corporation  
4925 Cross Bayou Boulevard  
New Port Richey, FL 34656-1176

Office Hours:  
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Monday - Friday

#### CURRENT AND PRELIMINARY RATES AND CHARGES

The following table represents the utility's current, as well as requested 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 its proposed rates and charges are as follows:

MONTHLY RATES

<u>Residential</u>	<u>Present Rates</u>	<u>Phase I Proposed Rates</u>	<u>Phase II Proposed Rates</u>
Base Facility charges (all meter sizes)	\$10.76	\$19.43	\$24.34
Gallonage charge per 1,000 gallons (10M monthly max.)	2.15	3.88	4.86

General Service

Base facility charges:

5/8" x 3/4"	10.76	19.44	24.34
1"	26.92	48.62	60.87
1 1/2"	53.78	97.14	121.61
2"	86.15	155.62	194.83
3"	172.30	311.23	389.65
4"	269.21	486.29	608.81
6"	538.40	972.52	1,217.56
8" (Compound)	861.04	1,555.32	1,947.20
8" (Turbine)	968.76	1,749.90	2,190.81
Gallonage charge per 1,000 gallons	2.15	3.88	4.86

### PROCEDURES AFTER CUSTOMER MEETINGS

After the meetings, Public Service Commission Staff will prepare a recommendation which is tentatively scheduled to be submitted to the Public Service Commission on March 18, 1999. The Public Service Commission will then vote on Staff's recommendation at its March 30, 1999 agenda conference. The Commission will thereafter issue a proposed agency action order containing rates which may be different from those contained in Staff's final recommendation. Substantially affected persons have 21 days 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 may so indicate at the meeting. Those individuals are expected to distribute the information in the recommendation and the order to other customers and interested persons. Anyone who is unable to attend and who wishes to obtain a copy of the recommendation or the order may do so by 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, Division of Records and Reporting  
Florida Public Service Commission  
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

All correspondence should refer to "980242-SU, Application for a Limited Proceeding to Adjust Rates in Pasco County, Florida."

If you wish to contact the Commission regarding complaints about service, you may call the Commission's Division of 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.