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April 28, 2009

Ms. Ann Cole, Commission Clerk
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

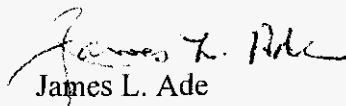
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Dear Ms. Cole:

Enclosed for filing, in connection with the Application of Placid Lakes Utilities, Inc. ("Applicant") for Increased Water Rates in Highlands County ("Application"), Docket No. 080353-WU, is Placid Lakes Utilities, Inc.'s Notice Of Filing the Affidavit of Mailing evidencing that the attached Notice of Customer Meeting has been mailed to the Utility's customers.

If you have any questions or need any additional information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,


James L. Ade

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cc: Ms. Peggy Ann Brewer
Mr. John Guastella
Mr. Gary White

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


In re: Application of Placid Lakes)
Utilities, Inc. for Increased Water)
Rates in Highlands County.)
_____)

Docket No. 080353-WU

NOTICE OF FILING

1. Applicant, PLACID LAKES UTILITIES, INC., by and through its undersigned attorneys, hereby gives notice of filing in the above-referenced docket the Affidavit of Mailing evidencing that the Notice of Customer Meeting has been mailed to the customers of Placid Lakes Utilities, Inc.

Respectfully submitted on this 25th day of April, 2009.



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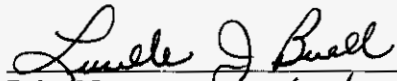
Before me, the undersigned authority, authorized to administer oaths and take acknowledgments, personally appeared **PEGGY ANN BREWER**, who, after being duly sworn on oath, did depose on oath and say that she is the Vice President of Placid Lakes Utilities, Inc., and that on April 14, 2009, she did send by regular U.S. Mail, a copy of the Notice of Customer Meeting attached hereto, to all customers of the utility.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.

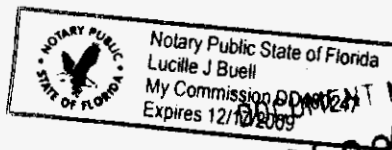


Peggy Ann Brewer, Vice President
Placid Lakes Utilities, Inc.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 21st day of April, 2009, by **PEGGY ANN BREWER**, () who produced _____ as identification or (X) who is personally known to me.



Print Name: Lucille J. Buell
NOTARY PUBLIC
My Commission Expires: 12/17/09



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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
NOTICE OF CUSTOMER MEETING
TO THE CUSTOMERS OF PLACID LAKES UTILITIES, INC.

AND

ALL OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS

DOCKET NO. 080353-WU

**APPLICATION FOR GENERAL RATE INCREASE IN THE WATER
SYSTEM IN HIGHLANDS COUNTY BY PLACID LAKES UTILITIES, INC.**

Issued: April 14, 2009

Notice is hereby given that the staff of the Florida Public Service Commission (Commission) will conduct a customer meeting to discuss the application of Placid Lakes Utilities Inc. (Placid Lakes or Utility) for a rate case in Highland County. The meeting will be held at the following time and place:

Wednesday, April 29, 2009, at 6:00 p.m.
Lake Placid High School
202 Green Dragon Drive
Lake Placid, FL 33852

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 Commission may attend and participate in this meeting. The meeting will begin as scheduled and will continue until all the customers have been heard.

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 the 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 Commission's Office of the General Counsel at 850-413-6199.

Any person requiring some accommodation at the customer meeting 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. Any person who is hearing or speech impaired should contact the Commission by using the Florida Relay Service, which can be reached at 1-800-9558771 (TDD).

PURPOSE

The purpose of this meeting is to give customers and other interested persons an opportunity to offer comments to Commission staff regarding the quality of service the Utility provides, the proposed rate increase and to ask questions. Staff members will summarize Placid Lakes' 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. Commission staff will have sign-up sheets, and customers will be called to speak in the order that they sign-up. 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 Commission's toll-free facsimile line at 1-800-511-0809.

BACKGROUND

Placid Lakes Utilities, Inc. is a Class B utility providing water service to approximately 1,959 water customers in Highlands County. The Utility's water rates were last established in a 2001 rate proceeding before the Commission.

On October 15, 2008, Placid Lakes filed the Application for Rate Increase at issue in the instant docket. The Utility requested that the application be processed using the Proposed Agency Action (PAA) procedure, and requested interim rates. The test year established for interim rates is the historical twelve-month period ended December 31, 2007.

Placid Lakes requested interim rates designed to generate annual water revenues of \$643,135. This represents a revenue increase on an annual basis of \$101,903 (18.83 percent). The Utility requested final rates designed to generate annual water revenues of \$705,582. This represents a revenue increase of \$169,182 (31.54 percent).

CURRENT AND PROPOSED RATES AND CHARGES

Staff has compiled the following rates and charges for the purpose of discussion at the customer meeting. The Utility's current and proposed rates and charges are as follows:

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Placid Lakes Utilities, Inc.				Docket No.
Water Monthly Service Rates				080353-WU
Test Year Ended 12/31/07				
	Rates Prior to Filing	Utility Requested Interim	Utility Requested Final	Commission Approved Interim
<u>Residential and General Services</u>				
Base Facility Charge by Meter Size:				
5/8" x 3/4"	\$9.73	\$11.58	\$14.64	\$10.68
1"	\$14.60	\$17.37	\$21.96	\$16.03
1 - 1/2"	\$24.37	\$29.00	\$36.66	\$26.76
2"	\$48.64	\$57.88	\$73.16	\$53.40
3"	\$77.85	\$92.64	\$117.10	\$85.47
4"	\$155.69	\$185.28	\$234.18	\$170.94
6"	\$243.28	\$289.51	\$365.93	\$267.10
Gallonage Charge, 0 - 10,000 Gallons	\$2.80	\$3.33	\$3.27	\$3.07
Gallonage Charge, 10,000 - 20,000 Gallons	\$4.15	\$4.94	\$4.90	\$4.56
Gallonage Charge, over 20,000 Gallons	\$5.50	\$6.55	\$6.53	\$6.04
GS Gallonage Charge, per 1,000 Gallons	\$3.18	\$3.78	\$3.76	\$3.49
<u>Typical Residential Bills 5/8" x 3/4"</u>				
			<u>Meter</u>	
3,000 Gallons	\$18.13	\$21.57	\$24.45	\$19.89
5,000 Gallons	\$23.73	\$28.23	\$30.99	\$26.03
10,000 Gallons	\$37.73	\$44.88	\$47.34	\$41.38

PROCEDURES AFTER CUSTOMER MEETINGS

After the meeting, Commission staff will prepare a recommendation which is scheduled to be submitted to the Commission on June 18, 2009. The Commission will then vote on staff's recommendation at its June 30, 2009 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 that the PAA order is issued to protest the Commission's PAA 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 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