

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Application for an increase in wastewater rates
In Monroe County by K W Resort Utilities Corp.

Docket No. 20240108-SU

NOTICE OF FILING RATE AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING

K W Resort Utilities Corp., by and through its undersigned attorneys, hereby gives notice of filing the attached Affidavit of Mailing of the Combined Initial Customer Notice and Customer Meeting Notice to all of its customers on March 17, 2025.

Respectfully submitted this 17th day of March,
2025, by:

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/s/ Martin S. Friedman
Martin S. Friedman

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished by Electronic mail to the following parties this 17th day of March, 2025:

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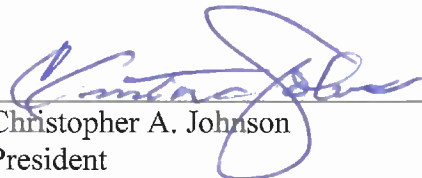
AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF MONROE


Before me, the undersigned authority, authorized to administer oaths and take acknowledgments, personally appeared Christopher A. Johnson, who, after being duly sworn on oath, did depose on oath and say that on behalf of K W Resort Utilities Corp. ("Utility"), on March 17, 2025, a copy of the Combined Initial Customer Notice and Customer Meeting Notice, attached hereto, was sent to all customers of the Utility by regular U.S. Mail.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.

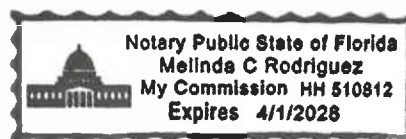


Christopher A. Johnson
President

Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me by means of ☐ physical presence or ☐ online notarization, this 17th day of March, 2025, by Christopher A. Johnson, who is personally known to me or who has produced _____ as identification.



Print Name:
NOTARY PUBLIC
My Commission Expires:



BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

**COMBINED INITIAL CUSTOMER NOTICE
AND
NOTICE OF CUSTOMER MEETING**

TO THE CUSTOMERS OF
K W RESORT UTILITIES CORP.
AND
ALL OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS

RE: DOCKET NO. 20240108-SU

APPLICATION FOR INCREASE IN WASTEWATER RATES IN
MONROE COUNTY BY K W RESORT UTILITIES CORP.

DATED: March 17, 2025

BACKGROUND

K W Resort Utilities Corp. (the “Utility”) is a wastewater utility whose corporate offices are located at 6630 Front Street, Key West, Florida 33040. The Utility’s wastewater facilities are located in Monroe County, Florida.

On December 13, 2024, the Utility filed an application with the Florida Public Service Commission (the “Commission”) for increased wastewater rates for its customers in Monroe County based on a historical test year ending June 30, 2024, for final rates. The application is assigned Docket No. 20240108-SU and January 24, 2025, was established as the official date of filing.

The Utility is requesting a rate increase because the existing rates do not provide sufficient revenues to cover the required expenses of operations on a going-forward basis and an opportunity to earn a fair return on the Utility’s investment in used and useful property for the public use. The Utility has incurred substantial additional operating costs and capital investment. The Utility has requested a permanent revenue increase of \$913,747 (23.3%). The requested increase would produce annual revenues of \$4,834,389. The Utility has not requested that the Commission approve interim rates. The rate of return on equity requested in this proceeding is 10.05%. The overall rate of return requested is 8.06%. The Company’s last rate proceeding before the Commission was in Docket No. 20170141-SU, utilizing a test year ending June 30, 2017, which resulted in the issuance of Order No. PSC-2018-0446-FOF-SU on September 4, 2018.

Copies of the MFRs, the Rate Case Synopsis, and the Utility’s application are available for inspection on the Florida Public Service Commission website at: <https://www.psc.state.fl.us/clerks-office-dockets-level2?DocketNo=20240108&TabNumber=5>

RATES

The current wastewater rates and the Utility’s requested final wastewater rates are set forth at the end of this notice. The final wastewater rates are subject to change based on information gathered

at the customer meeting, further staff review, and the final decision made by the Commission. The test period for setting rates is the historical average thirteen-month period ended June 30, 2024.

SERVICE AVAILABILITY CHARGES

The Utility is not requesting any changes to its service availability charges. Even though not requested to do so, the Commission may review and adjust service availability charges.

AFUDC CHARGE

The Utility is requesting an allowance for funds used during construction charge at an annual rate of 8.06%

MISCELLANEOUS SERVICE CHARGES

The Utility is not requesting changes to some of its miscellaneous service charges as set forth at the end of this notice.

CUSTOMER SERVICE MEETING

This is also NOTICE that the Florida Public Service Commission (“Commission”) will hold a virtual customer service meeting in the above docket on the application for increase wastewater rates in Monroe County by K W Resort Utilities Corp.

Customer Service Meeting - Purpose and Procedure

The purpose of the customer service meeting is to give customers and other interested persons an opportunity to offer comments regarding the quality of service the utility provides and the proposed rate increase. Commission staff will be available to address and coordinate customer comments and to assist members of the public. At the beginning of the meeting, procedures will be established for the order of comments.

Pursuant to provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this meeting because of a physical impairment should call the Office of Commission Clerk at (850) 413-6770 at least 48 prior to the meeting. 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 1-800-9655-8771 (TDD) or 1-800-955-8770 (Voice).

This Commission has scheduled a virtual customer service meeting on April 16, 2025, at 3:00PM.

Customers must register to speak at the virtual customer meeting in one of the following ways: (1) register using the FPSC’s online registration form, which will be available at www.FloridaPSC.com, under the “Hot Topics” heading, (2) call the FPSC at (850) 413-7080 or (3) email speakersignup@psc.state.fl.us. Online registration for the virtual customer meeting will open on April 2, 2025, at 9:00 a.m., and close at noon two business days prior to the customer meeting.

Please note that the order in which customers will speak is based on the order in which they register. If you have questions about the sign-up process, please call (850) 413-7080.

One day prior to the customer meeting, [customers](#) who signed up to speak will be emailed further instructions on how to participate.

PROCEDURES AFTER CUSTOMER MEETING

The following tentative schedule was established by the Commission for the remaining major events in the Utility's rate case:

<u>Scheduled Item</u>	<u>Due Date</u>
Staff's PAA Recommendation	06/19/2025
Agenda Conference on PAA Rates	07/01/2025
PAA Order Issued	07/21/2025
Protest Period Expires	08/11/2025

HOW TO CONTACT THE COMMISSION

Any person who wishes to comment or provide information to Commission staff may do so orally at the meeting or in writing. Other written comments regarding the Utility and the proposed rates, or requests to be placed on the mailing list for this case, may be directed to this address:

Florida Public Service Commission
Director, Office of Commission Clerk
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0870

A courtesy copy of written comments and complaints may be mailed or emailed to the following:

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Barton W. Smith, Esquire
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All correspondence should refer to "Docket No. 20240108-SU, K W Resort Utilities Corp." Your letter will be placed in the correspondence file of this docket. You may also submit comments through the Florida Public Service Commission's toll-free facsimile line at 1-800-511-0809, the Commission's e-mail at contact@psc.state.fl.us, or the Commission's website available at <http://floridapsc.com/ConsumerAssistance/ComplaintForm>.

Complaints may also be made by phone to the Office of Consumer Assistance and outreach at 1-800-342-3552, submitted through the Public Service Commission's toll-free facsimile line at 1-800-511-0809, or the Commission's website available at: <http://www.floridapsc.com/consumers/complaints/index2.aspx>

This notice was prepared by the Utility and approved by Commission staff for distribution by the Utility to its customers. If you have any questions, please call the Utility's office at (305) 295-3301.

K W Resort Utilities Corp.

CURRENT AND REQUESTED RATES

	<u>Utility's Current Rates</u>	<u>Utility's Requested Final Rates</u>
<u>Residential Service</u>		
Base Facility Charge		
All Meter Sizes	\$53.24	\$65.95
Charge per 1,000 gallons	\$8.82	\$10.93
10,000 gallon cap		
<u>General Service</u>		
Base Facility Charge by Meter Size		
5/8" x 3/4 "	\$53.24	\$65.95
3/4"	\$79.86	\$98.93
1"	\$133.10	\$164.88
1.5"	\$266.20	\$329.75
2"	\$425.92	\$527.60
3"	\$851.84	\$1,055.20
4"	\$1,331.00	\$1,648.75
6"	\$2,662.00	\$3,297.50
8"	\$4,259.20	\$5,276.00
8" Turbo	\$4,791.60	\$5,935.50
Charge per 1,000 gallons	\$10.58	\$13.11
<u>Reuse Service</u>		
Charge per 1,000 gallons	\$1.88	\$2.33
	<u>Utility's Current Rates</u>	<u>Utility's Requested Final Rates</u>
<u>Private Lift Station Owners</u>		
Base Facility Charge by Meter Size		
5/8" x 3/4 "	\$42.60	\$52.77
3/4"	\$63.90	\$79.16
1"	\$106.50	\$131.93
1.5"	\$213.00	\$263.86
2"	\$340.80	\$422.18
3"	\$861.60	\$844.37
4"	\$1,065.00	\$1,319.32
6"	\$2,130.00	\$2,638.64
8"	\$3,408.00	\$4,221.83
Charge per 1,000 gallons	\$10.58	\$13.11
<u>Harbor Shores</u>		
Base Facility Charge	\$3,673.56	\$4,550.81
(69 ERCs)		
Gallonge Charge Per 1,000 Gallons	\$8.82	\$10.93
690,000 gallon cap		