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Jennifer Brubaker, Staff Counsel Division of Legal Services Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

> Re: Mid-County Utilities - Interim Rate Notice Docket No. 971065-SU

Dear Ms. Brubaker:

Enclosed for staff's review is a copy of the proposed customer notice of interim rate increase.

Please review and approve the enclosed customer notice as quickly as possible. Any questions regarding the filing can be directed to me at 222-7500 or Frank Garcia at 847/498-6440.

Very truly yours,

Rich Mess

Richard D. Melson

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cc:	Ms.	Bayo
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NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS

The wastewater rates for Mid-County Services, Inc. will change on or before January 6,1998. The change in rates is a combination of (1) a rate decrease to remove rate case expense previously included in rates, and (2) an interim rate increase granted by the Florida Public Service Commission on December 2, 1997.

Effective October 1, 1989, Section 367.0816, Florida Statutes, requires that rate case expense be recovered over a period of four years. The statute further requires that the rates of the utility be reduced immediately at the conclusion of the four years by the amount of rate case expense previously included in the rates. This statute applies to all rate cases filed on or after October 1, 1989.

Mid-County Services, Inc. was granted a rate increase by the Florida Public Service Commission in Order No. PSC-93-1713-FOF-SU issued on November 30, 1993 in Docket No. 921293-SU. The four year recovery period for rate case expense will expire on January 6, 1998. The rate case expense associated with this rate case will be removed from the utility's rates at that time.

At the same time, the utility will begin collecting the interim rate increase approved by the Commission on December 2, 1997. The interim rates will be collected subject to refund pending the Florida Public Service Commission's decision regarding final rates. If a refund is ordered, it will include interest based on Commission determined factors.

The effect of these two simultaneous rate changes is shown below:

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Wastewater Rates Bi-Monthly

		Utility	Statutory	Approved
	Current	Requested	Four-year	Interim
Residential	Rates	Final Rates	<u>Reduction</u>	Rates
Base Facility Charge	\$28.80	\$38.66	\$ 28.68	\$36.98
Gallonage charge per 1,000				
gallons (20,000 maximum)	\$ 1.51	\$ 2.03	\$ 1.50	\$ 1.93
General Service				
Base Facility Charge				
Meter Size:				
5/8" x 3/4"	\$28.80	\$38.66	\$28.68	\$36.98
1"	\$72.01	\$96.65	\$71.69	\$92.44
1-1/2"	\$144.02	\$193.30	\$143.38	\$184.87
2"	\$230.44	\$309.29	\$229.40	\$295.79
3"	\$460.89	\$618.57	\$458.80	\$591.59
4"	\$720.13	\$966.5	\$716.71	\$924.13
6"	\$1440.28	\$1933.03	\$1433.80	\$1848.74
Gallonage charge per 1,000				
gallons	\$1.81	\$2.43	\$1.80	\$2.32
Flat Rates				
	\$50.67	\$68.01	\$50.44	\$65.04
	\$1595.45	\$2141.57	\$1588.27	\$2047.92

The approved interim rates will be effective for meter readings on or after the Commission's stamped approval date on the tariff sheets. The changes in rates will be reflected on your next bill.

Written comments regarding the utility's service or the requested final rate increase may be sent to the Commission at the following address:

Director, Division of Records and Reporting Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0870

All comments should refer to Docket No. 971065-SU, which is the docket number that has been assigned to this case.

If you have any questions, please call the utility office at 1-800-272-1919. Be sure to have your account number on hand for quick reference.

MID-COUNTY SERVICES, INC.

Printed by Linda Williams 12/15/97 3:32pm

_____ From: Kay Flynn To: Kelly Biegalski Subject: fwd: 970097-TI ===NOTE=========12/15/97=12:52pm= CC: Linda Williams Kelly, this is a show cause docket on tomorrow's agenda. Looks there is now another rule referenced in the docket title. Could you advise Linda Williams regarding the title? Kay Fwd=by:=Kelly=Biegals=12/15/97==3:31pm= Fwd to: Linda Williams CC: Kay Flynn Please change the title to read: Initiation of show cause proceeding against Integrated TeleServices, Inc. for violation of Rule 25-24.490, Florida Administrative Code, Customer Relation; Rules Incorporated, and Rule 25-4.043, FAC, Response to Commission Staff Inquiries. Thanks. Fwd to: Kelly Biegalski Ok, Kelly I'll change it per this email. _____ ICK \FA APP _____ CAF _____ CMU _____ CTR _____ EAG LEG OT - ---DOCUMENT NUMBER-DATE ₽¢° فيحاربها ربيني الد د مەربىي بىر ۰,

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