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		Ms. Blanca Bayo Commission Clerk and Administrative Services Director Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399	SION	AM 10: 17	
OFFC MAAS SEC	T	Re: Docket No. 030446-SU; Application of Mid-County Services, Inc in Rates in Pinellas County, Florida	., for :	Incre	ase
OTH		Our File No.: 30057.59			

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed are the following for filing in the above-referenced docket:

- 11511-03 . Original and sixteen (16) copies of the Application for Increase in Rates
- 11512-03. Sixteen (16) copies of the Minimum Filing Requirements (Exhibit "1")
- Affidavit of Utility CEO in Compliance with Rule 25-32.0407, 1193-03 F.A.C.,(Exhibit "2")
- 11514-03 Two (2) copies of the Billing Analysis Schedules (Exhibit "3")
- Two (2) copies of the Additional Engineering Information (Exhibit "4") 11515-03
  - One (1) copy of Detailed Map (Exhibit "5") •
- 11516-03. Costs or charges to Utility from an affiliate or related party (Exhibit "6")

Check received with filing and forwarded to Fiscal for deposit. Fiscal to forward deposit information to Records.

initials of person who forwarded check:



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- Original and three (3) copies of the proposed Interim Rate Tariff Sheets (Exhibit "7")
- いうゆーン・ Original and three (3) copies of the proposed Final Rate Tariff Sheets (Exhibit "8")
  - Our check in the amount of \$3,500.00 representing the appropriate filing fee.

Should you have any questions regarding this filing, please do not hesitate to give me a call.

Very truly yours,

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MSF/tlc Enclosures

cc: Mr. Steve Lubertozzi (w/enclosures) Mr. Patrick Flynn (w/enclosures) Mr. Frank Seidman (w/enclosures)

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#### BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Application of MID-COUNTY SERVICES, INC. for an increase in wastewater rates in Pinellas County, Florida

DOCKET NO. 030446-SU

#### **APPLICATION FOR INCREASE IN RATES**

Applicant, MID-COUNTY SERVICES, INC. (hereinafter, the "Utility"), by and

through its undersigned attorneys and pursuant to Section 367.081 and 367.082,

Florida Statutes, and Chapter 25-30, Florida Administrative Code, files this Application

for an increase in wastewater rates in Pinellas County, Florida.

I.

The following information is provided pursuant to Rule 25-30.436, Florida

Administrative Code:

1. (a) The name of the Utility and its principal place of business is:

Mid-County Services, Inc. 2335 Sanders Road Northbrook, IL 60062

(b) The address of the Florida office is:

Mid-County Services, Inc. 200 Weathersfield Avenue Altamonte Springs, FL 32714-4099

The name and address of the person authorized to receive notices and communications in respect to this application is:

Martin S. Friedman, Esquire Rose, Sundstrom & Bentley, LLP 600 S. North Lake Boulevard, Suite 160 Altamonte Springs, Florida 32701 PHONE: (407) 830-6331 FAX: (407) 830-8522 E-MAIL: <u>mfriedman@rsbattorneys.com</u>

COCUMENT AND TRADE DATE

(b) Mid-County Services, Inc. is a Florida corporation incorporated in Florida on August 19, 1968. The names and addresses of the persons owning more than 5% of the Utility's stock are:

> Utilities, Inc. 100% 2335 Sanders Road Northbrook, IL 60062

(c) Wastewater rates were last set in September, 1999 in Docket No.

970165-SU by Commission Order No. PSC-99-1912-FOF-SU.

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(d) The address where the application is available for customer inspection during the time the rate application is pending is:

Mid-County Services, Inc. 200 Weathersfield Avenue Altamonte Springs, FL 32714-4099

(e) The Utility is requesting rates which would allow it to recover all expenses that the Utility will incur on a going-forward basis, and generate a fair rate of return on its investment. The Utility is seeking rate relief in order to allow it to recover its expenses and earn a fair rate of return on its investment all property used and useful in the public service.

(f) The Utility is also seeking interim rates based upon the historic test year ended December 31, 2002. The Utility has demonstrated through the supporting schedules within the attached **Exhibit "1**" that it is earning outside its range of reasonable returns, calculated in accordance with Section 367.082(5), Florida Statutes. Submitted as part of **Exhibit "1**" are schedules of rate base (Schedule A-2),

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cost of capital (Schedule D-1) and net operating income (Schedule B-2), as applicable, pursuant to Commission Rule 25-30.437(5), F.A.C.

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(g) An Affidavit signed by the Chief Executive Officer of the Utility that the Utility will comply with Rule 25-22.0407, F.A.C., is provided herewith as **Exhibit** "2".

(h) The Utility requests that this case be processed utilizing the proposed Agency Action Procedure outlined in Section 367.081(8), F.S..

2. There has been no new land recorded on the Utility's books since the Utility's rate base was last established in the Order referenced in Paragraph 1(c) above.

#### II.

Sixteen copies of the Utility's Financial, Rate and Engineering Minimum Filing Requirements (Form PSC/WAW 20) are provided herewith as **Exhibit "1**".

#### III.

Two copies of the Billing Analysis Schedules as required by Rule 25-30.437(4) are provided herewith as **Exhibit "3**".

#### IV.

Two copies of the Additional Engineering Information required by Rule 25-30.440(2)-(10), F.A.C. are provided herewith as **Exhibit "4**".

#### V.

One copy of a detailed system map as required by Section 25-30.440(1)(a) and (b) are provided herewith as **Exhibit "5**".

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The Utility's system has costs or charges to it from an affiliate or related party which costs are reported in **Exhibit "6**".

#### VII.

The original and three copies of the Revised Tariff Sheets reflecting the proposed interim rates are attached hereto as Composite **Exhibit "7**".

#### VIII.

The original and three copies of the Revised Tariff Sheets reflecting the proposed final rates are attached hereto as Composite **Exhibit "8**".

#### IX.

The Utility requests that the Commission grant interim rates pursuant to Section 367.082, F.S. in accordance with the schedules contained in **Exhibit "1**" and the tariffs contained in **Exhibit "7**".

#### X.

The Utility is not requesting any changes in its service availability policy or charges in this proceeding.

#### XI.

The filing fee required by Rule 25-30.020(1)(e), F.A.C., is \$3,500 since the Utility has the existing capacity to serve less than 4,000 wastewater ERCs. A check in that amount is included with this filing.

WHEREFORE, the Utility requests that the Florida Public Service Commission do the following:

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 Accept jurisdiction of this Application to grant an increase in wastewater rates utilizing the Proposed Agency Action procedure outlined in Section 367.081(8), F.S.

2. Grant the interim rates as requested herein and contained in the tariffs included as **Exhibit "7**".

3. Grant final rates as requested herein and contained in the tariffs included in **Exhibit "8**".

4. Provide such other and further relief as is fair, just and equitable.

Respectfully submitted this 17<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2003, by:

ROSE, SUNDSTROM & BENTLEY, LLP 600 S. North Lake Boulevard, Suite 160 Altamonte Springs, Florida 32701 (407) 830- 6331 (407) 830-8522 (fax)

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NOTE:

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IN ACCORDANCE WITH PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION RULE 25-22.0407(2), THE MFRs, WHEN ACCEPTED BY THE COMMISSION, CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE UTILITY UPON REQUEST.

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## APPLICATION OF MID-COUNTY SERVICES, INC., FOR A RATE INCREASE IN SEMINOLE COUNTY

# EXHIBIT 1

Sixteen (16) Copies of the Utility's Financial, Rate and Engineering Minimum Filing

# DOCKET NO. 030456-SU APPLICATION OF MID-COUNTY SERVICES, INC., FOR A RATE INCREASE IN SEMINOLE COUNTY

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EXHIBIT 2

AFFIDAVIT OF UTILITY CEO (COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 25-32.0407, F.A.C.)

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## APPLICATION OF MID-COUNTY SERVICES, INC., FOR A RATE INCREASE IN SEMINOLE COUNTY

EXHIBIT 3

# **BILLING ANALYSIS SCHEDULES**

TWO (2) COPIES

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### APPLICATION OF MID-COUNTY SERVICES, INC., FOR A RATE INCREASE IN SEMINOLE COUNTY

**EXHIBIT 4** 

# ADDITIONAL ENGINEERING INFORMATION

TWO (2) COPIES

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# APPLICATION OF MID-COUNTY SERVICES, INC., FOR A RATE INCREASE IN SEMINOLE COUNTY

EXHIBIT 5

DETAILED MAP

ONE (1) COPY

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### APPLICATION OF MID-COUNTY SERVICES, INC., FOR A RATE INCREASE IN SEMINOLE COUNTY

**EXHIBIT 6** 

## APPLICATION OF MID-COUNTY SERVICES, INC., FOR A RATE INCREASE IN SEMINOLE COUNTY

# EXHIBIT 7 INTERIM RATE TARIFF SHEETS

# **ORIGINAL AND THREE COPIES**

### TWELFTH REVISED SHEET NO. 17.0 CANCELS ELEVENTH REVISED SHEET NO. 17.0

NAME OF COMPANY: WASTEWATER TARIFF Mid-County Services, Inc.

### <u>GENERAL SERVICE</u> RATE SCHEDULE GS

- AVAILABILITY Available throughout the area served by the Company.
- <u>APPLICABILITY</u> For wastewater service to all customers for which no other schedule applies.
- <u>LIMITATIONS</u> Subject to all of the Rules and Regulations of this tariff and General Rules and Regulations of the Commission.
- BILLING PERIOD Bi- Monthly
- RATES Base Facility Charge

5/8" x 3/4"	\$ 29.96
1"	\$ 43.35
<b>1-1</b> <sup>1</sup> /2"	\$ 76.88
2"	\$ 172.97
3"	\$ 307.52
4"	\$ 679.25
6"	\$ 1,234.05

\*Per 1,000 gallons of water used \$ 2.81

\* Water furnished by the Pinellas County Water System

<u>MINIMUM CHARGE</u> - Base Facility Charge per meter size.

<u>TERMS OF PAYMENT</u> - Bills are due and payable when rendered and become delinquent if not paid within twenty (20) days. After five (5) working days' written notice is mailed to the customer separate and apart from any other bill, service may then be discontinued.

EFFECTIVE DATE -

TYPE OF FILING -

**Interim Rates** 

Lawrence N. Schumacher Issuing Officer

### ELEVENTH REVISED SHEET NO. 18.0 CANCELS TENTH REVISED SHEET NO. 18.0

### NAME OF COMPANY: <u>Mid-County Services, Inc.</u> WASTEWATER TARIFF

### RESIDENTIAL SERVICE RATE SCHEDULE RS

AVAILABILITY - Available throughout the area served by the Company.

<u>APPLICABILITY</u> - For wastewater service for all purposes in private residences and individually metered apartment units.

- <u>LIMITATIONS</u> Subject to all of the Rules and Regulations of this Tariff and General Rules and Regulations of the Commission.
- BILLING PERIOD Bi-Monthly

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RATES -Base Facility Charge<br/>All Meter Sizes\$ 29.96\*Per 1,000 gallons of water used\$ 2.34

Maximum 20,000 gallons

\*Water Furnished by the Pinellas County Water System

MINIMUM CHARGE - Base Facility Charge

<u>TERMS OF PAYMENT</u> - Bills are due and payable when rendered and become delinquent if not paid within twenty (20) days. After five (5) working days' written notice is mailed to the customer separate and apart from any other bill, service may then be discontinued.

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Lawrence N. Schumacher Issuing Officer

### EIGHTH REVISED SHEET NO. 18.0-A CANCELS SEVENTH REVISED SHEET NO. 18.0-A

### NAME OF COMPANY: <u>Mid-County Services, Inc.</u> WASTEWATER TARIFF

### MULTI-RESIDENTIAL SERVICE RATE SCHEDULE MS

- <u>AVAILABILITY</u> Available throughout the area served by the Company.
- APPLICABILITY For wastewater service for all purposes in private residences.

<u>LIMITATIONS</u> - Subject to all of the Rules and Regulations of this Tariff and General Rules and Regulations of the Commission.

BILLING - Bi-Monthly

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RATES - FLAT RATE (Unmetered) \$ 62.09

MINIMUM CHARGE - \$ 62.09

TERMS OF PAYMENT -Bills are due and payable when rendered and become delinquent<br/>if not paid within twenty (20) days. After five (5) working days'<br/>written notice is mailed to the customer separate and apart from<br/>any other bill, service may then be discontinued.

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### TWELFTH REVISED SHEET NO. 19.0 CANCELS ELEVENTH REVISED SHEET NO. 19.0

### NAME OF COMPANY: <u>Mid-County Services, Inc.</u> WASTEWATER TARIFF

### MULTI-RESIDENTIAL SERVICE RATE SCHEDULE MS

<u>AVAILABILITY</u> - Available throughout the area served by the Company.

<u>APPLICABILITY</u> - For wastewater service to all master-metered residential customers including, but not limited to, Condominiums, Apartments, and Mobile Home Parks.

- <u>LIMITATIONS</u> Subject to all of the Rules and Regulations of this Tariff and General Rules and Regulations of the Commission.
- BILLING PERIOD Bi-Monthly
- RATES Base Facility Charge

5/8" x 3/4"	\$ 29.96
1"	\$ 43.35
1-1 1/2"	\$ 76.88
2"	\$ 692.09
3"	\$ 1,230.03
4"	\$ 1,230.03
6"	\$ 2,767.94

\*Per 1,000 gallons of water used \$ 2.81

\*Water Furnished by the Pinellas County Water System

MINIMUM CHARGE - Base Facility Charge per Meter Size

TERMS OF PAYMENT -Bills are due and payable when rendered and become delinquent<br/>if not paid within twenty (20) days. After five (5) working days'<br/>written notice is mailed to the customer separate and apart from<br/>any other bill, service may then be discontinued.

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**Interim Rates** 

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NAME OF COMPANY: <u>Mid-County Services, Inc.</u> WASTEWATER TARIFF

### MULTI-RESIDENTIAL SERVICE RATE SCHEDULE MS

<u>AVAILABILITY</u> - Available throughout the area served by the Company.

<u>APPLICABILITY</u> - For wastewater service to all master-metered residential customers including but not limited to Condominiums, Apartments and Mobile Home Parks.

- <u>LIMITATIONS</u> Subject to all of the Rules and Regulations of this Tariff and General Rules and Regulations of the Commission.
- BILLING PERIOD Monthly

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RATES - FLAT RATE (unmetered) \$ 1,909.83

MINIMUM CHARGE -	\$ 1,909.83
<u>TERMS OF PAYMENT</u> -	Bills are due and payable when rendered and become delinquent if not paid within twenty (20) days. After five (5) working days' written notice is mailed to the customer separate and apart from any other bill, service may then be discontinued.
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## APPLICATION OF MID-COUNTY SERVICES, INC., FOR A RATE INCREASE IN SEMINOLE COUNTY

**EXHIBIT 8** 

## FINAL RATE TARIFF SHEETS

**ORIGINAL AND THREE COPIES** 

### THIRTEENTH REVISED SHEET NO. 17.0 CANCELS TWELFTH REVISED SHEET NO. 17.0

#### NAME OF COMPANY: <u>Mid-County Services, Inc.</u> WASTEWATER TARIFF

### GENERAL SERVICE RATE SCHEDULE GS

- <u>AVAILABILITY</u> Available throughout the area served by the Company.
- <u>APPLICABILITY</u> For wastewater service to all customers for which no other schedule applies.
- <u>LIMITATIONS</u> Subject to all of the Rules and Regulations of this tariff and General Rules and Regulations of the Commission.
- BILLING PERIOD Bi- Monthly

<u>RATES</u> -	Base Facility Cha	arge	
	5/8" x 3/4"	\$	32.69
	1"	\$	47.31
	1-1 1/2"	\$	83.90
	2"	\$	188.75
	3"	\$	335.58
	4"	\$	741.24
	6"	\$	1,346.68

\*Per 1,000 gallons of water used \$ 3.07

\* Water furnished by the Pinellas County Water System

<u>MINIMUM CHARGE</u> - Base Facility Charge per meter size.

<u>TERMS OF PAYMENT</u> - Bills are due and payable when rendered and become delinquent if not paid within twenty (20) days. After five (5) working days' written notice is mailed to the customer separate and apart from any other bill, service may then be discontinued.

<u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u> -

<u>TYPE OF FILING</u> - Final Rates

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### TWELFTH REVISED SHEET NO. 18.0 CANCELS ELEVENTH REVISED SHEET NO. 18.0

### NAME OF COMPANY: <u>Mid-County Services, Inc.</u> WASTEWATER TARIFF

### RESIDENTIAL SERVICE RATE SCHEDULE RS

AVAILABILITY - Available throughout the area served by the Company.

<u>APPLICABILITY</u> - For wastewater service for all purposes in private residences and individually metered apartment units.

- <u>LIMITATIONS</u> Subject to all of the Rules and Regulations of this Tariff and General Rules and Regulations of the Commission.
- BILLING PERIOD Bi-Monthly

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 RATES Base Facility Charge

 All Meter Sizes
 \$ 32.69

 \*Per 1,000 gallons of water used
 \$ 2.55

Maximum 20,000 gallons

\*Water Furnished by the Pinellas County Water System

MINIMUM CHARGE - Base Facility Charge

<u>TERMS OF PAYMENT</u> - Bills are due and payable when rendered and become delinquent if not paid within twenty (20) days. After five (5) working days' written notice is mailed to the customer separate and apart from any other bill, service may then be discontinued.

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### NINTH REVISED SHEET NO. 18.0-A CANCELS EIGHTH REVISED SHEET NO. 18.0-A

NAME OF COMPANY: <u>Mid-County Services, Inc.</u> WASTEWATER TARIFF

#### MULTI-RESIDENTIAL SERVICE RATE SCHEDULE MS

- <u>AVAILABILITY</u> Available throughout the area served by the Company.
- <u>APPLICABILITY</u> For wastewater service for all purposes in private residences.
- <u>LIMITATIONS</u> Subject to all of the Rules and Regulations of this Tariff and General Rules and Regulations of the Commission.
- BILLING Bi-Monthly
- <u>RATES</u> <u>FLAT RATE</u> (Unmetered) \$ 67.75

MINIMUM CHARGE - \$ 67.75

<u>TERMS OF PAYMENT</u> - Bills are due and payable when rendered and become delinquent if not paid within twenty (20) days. After five (5) working days' written notice is mailed to the customer separate and apart from any other bill, service may then be discontinued.

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NAME OF COMPANY: <u>Mid-County Services, Inc.</u> WASTEWATER TARIFF

### MULTI-RESIDENTIAL SERVICE RATE SCHEDULE MS

<u>AVAILABILITY</u> - Available throughout the area served by the Company.

<u>APPLICABILITY</u> - For wastewater service to all master-metered residential customers including, but not limited to, Condominiums, Apartments, and Mobile Home Parks.

<u>LIMITATIONS</u> - Subject to all of the Rules and Regulations of this Tariff and General Rules and Regulations of the Commission.

BILLING PERIOD - Bi-Monthly

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<u>RATES</u> - Base Facility Charge

5/8" x 3/4"	\$ 32.69
1"	\$ 47.31
1-1 1/2"	\$ 83.90
2"	\$ 755.25
3"	\$ 1,342.30
4"	\$ 1,342.30
6"	\$ 3,020.57

\*Per 1,000 gallons of water used \$ 3.07

\*Water Furnished by the Pinellas County Water System

MINIMUM CHARGE -Base Facility Charge per Meter SizeTERMS OF PAYMENT -Bills are due and payable when rendered and become delinquent<br/>if not paid within twenty (20) days. After five (5) working days'<br/>written notice is mailed to the customer separate and apart from<br/>any other bill, service may then be discontinued.EFFECTIVE DATE -\_\_\_\_\_\_TYPE OF FILING -Final Rates

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<u>APPLICABILITY</u> - For wastewater service to all master-metered residential customers including but not limited to Condominiums, Apartments, and Mobile Home Parks.

- <u>LIMITATIONS</u> Subject to all of the Rules and Regulations of this Tariff and General Rules and Regulations of the Commission.
- **BILLING PERIOD** Monthly
- RATES FLAT RATE (unmetered) \$ 2,084.14

MINIMUM	CHARGE -	\$ 2,083.14

<u>TERMS OF PAYMENT</u> - Bills are due and payable when rendered and become delinquent if not paid within twenty (20) days. After five (5) working days' written notice is mailed to the customer separate and apart from any other bill, service may then be discontinued.

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