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May 11, 2006

Ms. Blanca Bayo Commission Clerk & Administrative Services Director Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399

RE: Docket No.: 060254-SU; Mid-County Services, Inc.'s Application for Rate Increase in

Volusia County, Florida Our File No.: 30057.109

Dear Ms. Bayo:

on who forwarded check:

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

	•	Sixteen (16) copies of the Application for Increase in Rates (which includes the Affidavit required by Rule 25-22.0407, Florida Administrative Code)	
CMP	•	The original and three (3) copies of the proposed Interim Rate Tariff Sheets (Exhibit "A" to the Application).	,
OTR ORL	•	The original and three (3) copies of the proposed Final Rate Tariff Sheets (Exhibit "B" to the Application)	
OPC L	•	Sixteen copies of the Reconciliation of Accounts (Exhibit "C" to the Application).	
SCR	•	Sixteen (16) copies of the Affidavit required by Rule 25-22.0407, Florida Administrative Code	
EC	•	Sixteen (16) copies of the Minimum Filing Requirements (Volume I)	
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• Two (2) copies of the Billing Analysis (Volume II)

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- Two (2) copies of the Additional Engineering Information (Volume III)
- One (1) Detailed Map (See, Volume III Additional Engineering Information for Map).
- Our firm's 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,

MARTIN S. FRÌ**E**ÓMAN

VALERIE L. LORD

For the Firm

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cc: Steve Lubertozzi, Director Regulatory Accounting (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. 060254-SU

<u>APPLICATION FOR INCREASE IN RATES</u>

Applicant, MID-COUNTY SERVICES, INC. (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 its wastewater rates in Pinellas County, Florida.

Preliminary Matters

- 1. The following information is provided pursuant to Rule 25-30.436, Florida Administrative Code:
 - (a) The name of the Utility and its mailing address is:

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

(b) The address of the Florida office is:

C/o Utilities, Inc. of Florida 200 Weathersfield Avenue Altamonte Springs, FL 32714-4099

(c) The names and address of the persons authorized to receive notices and communications in respect to this application are:

Martin S. Friedman, Esquire Valerie L. Lord, Esquire Rose, Sundstrom & Bentley, LLP Sanlando Center 2180 W. State Road 434, Suite 2118 Longwood, FL 32799

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(b) The Utility 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) The Utility's last rate proceeding was in Docket No. 030446-SU, utilizing a test year ending December 31, 2002, which culminated in Order No. PSC-04-0819-PAA-SU dated August 23, 2004. That Order was declared final in Order No. PSC-04-0904-CO-SU on September 17, 2004.
- (d) The address where the application is available for customer inspection during the time the rate application is pending is:

C/o Utilities, Inc. of Florida 200 Weathersfield Avenue Altamonte Springs, FL 32714

(e) The Utility is requesting wastewater 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 in all property considered 100% used and useful in the public

service.

In addition, the Utility is seeking interim wastewater rates based upon the historic test year ended December 31, 2005. The Utility has demonstrated through the supporting schedules within Volume I that it is earning outside its range of reasonable returns, calculated in accordance with Section 367.082(5), Florida Statutes. Submitted as part of Volume I are schedules of rate base (Schedules A-1 and A-2), cost of capital (Schedule D-1) and net operating income (Schedule B-1 and Schedule B-2), as applicable, pursuant to Commission Rule 25-30.437(5), F.A.C.

- (f) The Affidavit of Lawrence N. Schumacher, the President of the Utility that the Utility will comply with Rule 25-22.0407, F.A.C., is attached hereto.
- (g) The Utility requests that this Application be processed under the Commission's proposed agency action procedure outlined in Section 367.081(8), Florida Statutes.
- (2) The appropriate filing fee of \$3,500 (2,001 to 4,000 ERCs) is filed herewith.
- (3) Not applicable.

Additional Information

I.

Sixteen copies of the Utility's Financial, Rate and Engineering Minimum Filing Requirements (Form PSC/WAW 20) are provided herewith as Volume I consisting of one volume.

II.

The Utility has costs or charges to it from an affiliate or related party. These costs are reported in Schedule B-12 of Volume I.

There has been no new land recorded on the Utility's books since the Utility's last rate proceeding.

IV.

Two copies of the Billing Analysis Schedules as required by Rule 25-30.437(4) are provided herewith as Volume II, consisting of one volume.

V.

Two copies of the Additional Engineering Information required by Rule 25-30.440(2)-(10), F.A.C. are provided herewith as Volume III, consisting of one volume.

VI.

One copy of a detailed system map as required by Section 25-30.440(1)(a) and (b) is included in Volume III.

VII.

The original and two copies of the Revised Tariff Sheets reflecting the proposed interim wastewater rates are attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

VIII.

The original and two copies of the Revised Tariff Sheets reflecting the proposed final wastewater rates are attached hereto as Exhibit "B".

IX.

A reconciliation of the annual report to the trial balance is attached hereto as Exhibit "C".

X.

The Utility requests that the Commission not withhold consent to the effectiveness

of the proposed final wastewater rate increase as requested in this Application, or in the

alternative, that the Commission grant interim rates pursuant to Section 367.082, F.S. in

accordance with the schedules contained in Volume I and the tariffs contained

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

following:

1. Accept jurisdiction of this Application to grant an increase in wastewater rates

utilizing the PAA procedure outlined in Section 367.081(8), F.S.

2. Not withhold consent to the effectiveness of the wastewater rates requested

as final, or in the alternative, to grant the interim wastewater rates as requested herein and

contained in the tariffs included as Exhibit "A".

3. Grant final wastewater rates as requested herein and contained in the tariffs

included in Exhibit "B".

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

Respectfully submitted this 11th day of

May, 2006, by:

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NOTE:

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.

Affidavit of Lawrence N. Schumacher

AFFIDAVIT OF LAWRENCE N. SCHUMACHER

STATE OF ILLINOIS

COUNTY OF COOK

BEFORE ME, personally appeared LAWRENCE N. SCHUMACHER, who is the President of Mid-County Services, Inc., who states that Mid-County Services, Inc. will comply with the noticing requirements of Rule 25-22.0407, Florida Administrative Code.

Lawrence N. Schumacher

STATE OF ILLINOIS

COUNTY OF COOK

Sworn to and subscribed before me this $5\frac{T\mu}{2}$ day of May, 2006, by Lawrence N. Schumacher, President of Mid-County Services, Inc., who is personally known to me or has as identification. produced

Printed Name: Joy Rosen

My Commission Expires: June 30, 2007