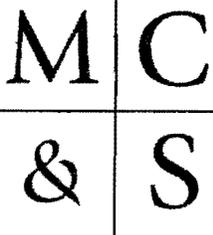


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The Honorable Nancy Argenziano
Chairman
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Blvd.
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Re: Lighthouse Utilities Company, Inc.

Dear Chairman Argenziano:

This letter is to request approval of the year ending December 31, 2009, as a test year for an application for general rate relief to be filed by Lighthouse Utilities Company, Inc. (the "Company"). The request is made pursuant to Rule 25-30.430, Florida Administrative Code. The test year requested represents the most recent historic calendar year and is representative of a normal full year of operations. The company intends to submit its petition and minimum filing requirements within ninety (90) days from the date of approval of the requested test year.

Lighthouse provides water service to approximately 1,300 customers, primarily residential, in the southern portion of Gulf County. The Company became subject to the jurisdiction of the Florida Public Service Commission (the "Commission") in 1986 and the last general rate proceeding occurred in 1988 based on a test year ending June 30, 1987. (Docket No. 870627-WU; Order No. 18897). Although Lighthouse filed and received indexed increases in 2008 and 2009, this petition in effect will be the first general request since 1988.

The requested test year, with pro forma adjustments to reflect expenses in the year when rates will be in effect, is appropriate and representative of normal operations. The Company will include adjustments to recognize necessary increases in salaries and benefits, operating expenses and maintenance and plant replacement as requested by regulatory agencies. The Florida Department of Environmental Protection ("DEP") has advised the Company that upgrades to the system should be made and these are projected to begin in 2011. The Company has expanded its service area on two (2) occasions and continues to make additions and repairs to plant as needed to maintain service consistent with the requirements of regulatory agencies. Additionally, the Company has had to relocate/reconstruct some lines as a result of bridge construction in the area and throughout the period, expenses have continued to increase. The pro formas to be included are non-growth related.

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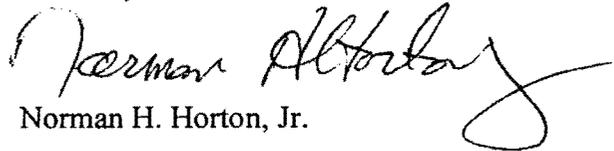
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Pursuant to Section 367.081(8), Florida Statutes, the Company requests that the Commission process this request for rate relief using the Proposed Agency Action ("PAA") procedure. Also, the Company will be requesting interim rates based on the historic test year.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Norman H. Horton, Jr.

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cc: Mr. Jay Rish
Mr. Ralph Roberson
Mr. Marshall Willis
Ms. Cheryl Banks