From:

Ruth McHargue

Sent:

Tuesday, May 22, 2012 11:26 AM

To: Subject:

Eric Fryson Docket 120005

Customer correspondence

----Original Message----From: Consumer Contact

Sent: Monday, May 21, 2012 4:46 PM

To: Ruth McHargue

Subject:

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----Original Message----

From: consumerComplaint@psc.state.fl.us [mailto:consumerComplaint@psc.state.fl.us]

Sent: Saturday, May 19, 2012 7:06 PM

Cc: Consumer Contact

Subject: E-Form Other Complaint TRACKING NUMBER: 31518

CUSTOMER INFORMATION

Name: ALAN CARR

Telephone:

Email:

Address: 11107 PRESTON COVE RD CLERMONT FL 34711

BUSINESS INFORMATION

Business Account Name: ALAN CARR

Account Number: 5227110000

Address: 11107 PRESTON COVE RD CLERMONT Florida 34711

Water County Selected: LAKE

COMPLAINT INFORMATION

Complaint: Other Complaint against Lake Utility Services, Inc.

Details:

Docket No. 11005-WS

Order No. PSC-011-0115-PAA-WS

If this is approved, this will be the third price hike in two years which in the current economy is nothing more than greed. My water charges have gone up from \$25 per two months to \$75 per month in 5 years. I can understand and fully agree with water conservation but crucifying the poor and low income families with extortionate price increases on a regular

basis is wrong

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100426 - WS

From:

Ruth McHargue

Sent:

Wednesday, January 11, 2012 2:05 PM

To:

Eric Fryson

Cc: Subject: Hong Wang; Matilda Sanders FW: To CLK Docket 100426

Customer correspondence

From: Consumer Contact

Sent: Wednesday, January 11, 2012 1:11 PM

To: Ruth McHargue

Subject: To CLK Docket 100426

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----Original Message----

From: consumerComplaint@psc.state.fl.us [mailto:consumerComplaint@psc.state.fl.us]

Sent: Wednesday, January 11, 2012 12:57 PM

Cc: Consumer Contact

Subject: E-Form Other Complaint TRACKING NUMBER: 30803

CUSTOMER INFORMATION

Name: terry schofield Telephone: 3523946252 Email: trs10822@gmail.com

Address: 10822 astatula lane clermont FL 34711

BUSINESS INFORMATION

Business Account Name: utilities inc

Account Number: 9012110000

Address: 10822 astatula ln clermont Florida 34711

Water County Selected: LAKE

COMPLAINT INFORMATION

Complaint: Other Complaint against Lake Utility Services, Inc.

Details:

rate increase. how can you continue to increase water rates ? it does not make any sense that the concern about water usaage is the real issue. if that was the real issue then a water bottling co in groveland would not have been approved. i do not understand why the rates have increased so much. if this keeps up you will force people out of their homes and move elswhere

From: Ruth McHargue

Sent: Thursday, January 05, 2012 1:39 PM

To: Eric Fryson; Matilda Sanders; Hong Wang

Subject: FW: To CLK Docket # 100426

Customer correspondence

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From: Consumer Contact

Sent: Tuesday, January 03, 2012 2:24 PM

To: Ruth McHargue

Subject: To CLK Docket # 100426

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From: Charlotte Angeli [mailto:angeli\_family@msn.com]

Sent: Monday, January 02, 2012 2:02 PM

**To:** Consumer Contact **Subject:** Docket # 100426

To whom it may concern,

This is to inform you that we are filing a protest regarding the rising cost of water and sewage. My address is 4523 Olympia court, Clermont, FL. 34714 in Sawgrass Bay.

Thanks in advance,

Orlando Angeli

From:

Randy Roland

Sent:

Monday, December 19, 2011 10:47 AM

To:

Eric Fryson

Cc: Subject: Hong Wang; Matilda Sanders FW: To CLK Docket 100426

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----Original Message----

From: Susan Isaacs

Sent: Monday, December 19, 2011 10:28 AM

To: Randy Roland

Subject: To CLK Docket 100426

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----Original Message----

From: consumerComplaint@psc.state.fl.us [mailto:consumerComplaint@psc.state.fl.us]

Sent: Saturday, December 17, 2011 3:50 PM

Cc: Consumer Contact

Subject: E-Form Other Complaint TRACKING NUMBER: 30674

CUSTOMER INFORMATION

Name: Roland Zimmerman Telephone: 352 243 9729

Email:

Address: 16435 Golden Eagle Blvd Clermont FL 34714

BUSINESS INFORMATION

Business Account Name: Roland Zimmerman

Account Number:

Address: 16435 Golden Eagle Blvd Clermont Florida 34714

Water County Selected: LAKE

COMPLAINT INFORMATION

Complaint: Other Complaint against Lake Utility Services, Inc.

Details:

I would like to know if the tax payers of lake county, may ask for those who make up Florida Public Service Commission, to each be drug tested, they must prove somehow to the residents of Lake Co. they are of sound mind.

C.A.T. or P.E.T. scans may also show some reason why ANYONE, on earth ,would in these times of ,folks unemployment, loss of homes nationwide, banks and finance out of control. Allow the OBSCENE rate increase of 25% for life sustaining Water. Those already living on the edge montly, will be pushed over the edge. The Commission is so far from everyday life reality, i fear for their safe return. Water sustains Life ,not Profits for Large Companies.

The water Lake Utility serves us, is not very good and needs to be filtered heavily, we used to get survey results a few years back from test labs, we dont get that anymore, they can serve us anything. I cant see how people will be able to choose between water or food, because of the Commissions inability to perform their jobs, and serve the public will, with the publics best interest in mind at all times. They should be ashamed of their ruling, they obviously are not part of any solution, at this rate we will all dehydrate, and Lake Utilities coffers will be full of cash, with no one to collect from anymore. Thats real smart! HAS THE "COMMISSION" figured out how people who wont be able to pay for water, no matter how bad the water is, will be able to live? I bet they havent !!! This is very Sad !!!!

#### Zimmerman

I think Ill send a hand written copy of this to Gov. Scott also, maybe between two Government Agencies,i can get a coherent answer.

From: Sent: To:

Randy Roland

Monday, December 19, 2011 10:46 AM

Eric Fryson

Cc: Subject: Hong Wang; Matilda Sanders FW: To CLK Docket 100426

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----Original Message----

From: Susan Isaacs

Sent: Monday, December 19, 2011 10:27 AM

To: Randy Roland

Subject: To CLK Docket 100426

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----Original Message----

From: Kim Mitchell [mailto:kmitchel74@aol.com]

Sent: Saturday, December 17, 2011 7:33 AM

To: Consumer Contact

Subject: 100426

I don't think or water rates should go up we don't have reclaim water. Times are hard people are not going to be able to afford to even water there grass!!!!

It's All Good "NO" It's All God!

#### **Catherine Potts**

To: Hong Wang; Ruth McHargue

Cc: Diamond Williams; Matilda Sanders

Subject: RE: To CLK Docket 100426

Thank you for this information. The attachments have been printed and placed in Docket Correspondence-Consumers and their Representatives, in Docket 100426-WS.

From: Hong Wang

Sent: Wednesday, November 09, 2011 10:02 AM

To: Catherine Potts

**Cc:** Diamond Williams; Matilda Sanders **Subject:** FW: To CLK Docket 100426

Please handle. Thanks!

From: Ruth McHargue

Sent: Wednesday, November 09, 2011 10:00 AM

To: Diamond Williams

**Cc:** Hong Wang; Matilda Sanders **Subject:** FW: To CLK Docket 100426

Customer correspondence

From: Consumer Contact

Sent: Tuesday, November 08, 2011 3:48 PM

To: Ruth McHargue

Subject: To CLK Docket 100426

I pulled the docket information from 1035528C, where Ellen entered Mr. Fred Fallman's info. The

copy of Ms. Gonzalez is at 1038633C. DH

From: Maureen Gonzalez [mailto:maureengonzalez2@gmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, November 08, 2011 3:27 PM

To: Consumer Contact

Subject: Water Rates Way, Way too High here in Clermont, Florida

I fully support Fred Fallman's letter to the Governor requesting a reduction in the outrageous water rates we are paying here in Clermont, Florida. I am living strictly on Social Security. I am a widow. I have no other means of income. The water bills here are punitive and, frankly, reckless and uncaring insofar as our community's welfare is concerned. Please add my name to those who support Fred Fallman's proposal to the Governor.

MaureenBridget Gonzalez, 10725 Parkway Drive, Clermont, FL. 34711

Tel. 352-241-0947.

Thank you,

MaureenBridget Gonzalez

## Ellen Plendl

100424-WS

MECEIVED-FPSC

From: Sent:

Britt, Jennifer [Jennifer.Britt@eog.myflorida.com]

Sent: To: Thursday, October 20, 2011 2:46 PM

Subject:

Ellen Plendi

FW: ATTACHED SCAN DOCUMENT

Attachments:

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Is this company regulated by the PSC? If not, please send me referral info.

Thanks for your help.

Jennifer Britt Office of Citizen Services

Phone: (850) 922-4964

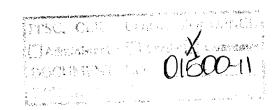
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From: CAP1901CSBIZHUBC353@EOG.MYFLORIDA.COM [mailto:CAP1901CSBIZHUBC353@EOG.MYFLORIDA.COM]

Sent: Thursday, October 20, 2011 2:40 PM

To: Britt, Jennifer

Subject: ATTACHED SCAN DOCUMENT



October 4, 2011

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Governor Rick Scott State of Florida 400 South Monroe Street Tallahassee, FL 32399-0001

Dear Governor Scott,

Thank you for your leadership as our governor. I believe you are an excellent choice for this leadership position and dealing with the financial turmoil that exists in this country and around the world.

After being hit with a huge increase in my water bill over the last three years when Lake Utilities was obtained by Utilities, Inc. I have experienced an increase from \$.88 per thousand gallons (July 2008) to \$3.44 per thousand gallons (April 2011). That's almost a fourfold increase. I realize that costs are escalating, but all I have gotten from the Public Service Commission is "go to the legislature". Knowing that Utilities, Inc. is headquartered in Illinois, I do feel they should comply with the state of Florida regulations and they probably have. I have worked in financial analysis prior to my retirement and would appreciate your help and direction as to how to get a satisfactory solution to this problem. I realize this is a miniscule problem with all of your significant ones.

Thanks for your help and keep up your good work.

Sincerely,

Fred W. Fallman, Jr.

352-241-8070

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DIVISION OF SAFETY, RELIABILITY & CONSUMER ASSISTANCE DANIEL M. HOPPE, DIRECTOR (850) 413-6480

# Public Service Commission

October 20, 2011

Mr. Fred Fallman 10625 Point Overlook Clermont, FL 34711

RE: PSC Inquiry 1035528C

Dear Mr. Fallman:

The Governor's office forwarded a copy of your correspondence regarding Lake Utility Services to the Florida Public Service Commission (PSC). The PSC regulates investor-owned electric, and natural gas utilities throughout the state, and investor-owned water and wastewater utilities in those counties which have opted to transfer jurisdiction to the PSC. The PSC has limited authority in the telephone industry to include the Lifeline Assistance Program, Florida Relay Service, and pay telephone service. You expressed a concern about Lake Utility Services' application for increase in water and wastewater rates in Lake County.

With respect to the development of rates, the PSC is required to set rates that are just, reasonable, compensatory, and not unfairly discriminatory. To determine the appropriate rates for service, the PSC uses a rate of return methodology as set forth in Chapter 367, Florida Statutes (F.S.). Under the rate of return methodology, a utility is allowed to earn a reasonable return on its prudently invested property that is used and useful in serving the public, less accrued depreciation, plus an allowance for operating capital. This ratemaking process is used for all water and wastewater companies and is also used in the electric and gas industry. It is the same approach used throughout the country by various state and federal utility regulatory bodies.

There are many factors that affect the cost of providing service, and hence, the rates charged to customers. Some factors affecting the cost of providing service include: the size and age of the utility system; the quality of the water at its source; the number of customers; and the geographic spread of the service area. During a rate case, the PSC's accountants, engineers and economists examine the financial and engineering information filed by the utility as part of its rate increase application. The PSC's auditors also examine this information and publish the results of their findings in an audit report. All costs found to be imprudent or unreasonable are disallowed.

Mr. Fred Fallman Page 2 October 20, 2011

We understand your concerns regarding the utility's proposed increases. As part of its petition, Lake Utility Services requested an interim rate increase for its water rates. In accordance with Section 367.082, F.S., the PSC is required to process interim rate requests within 60 days of the filing. The PSC is required to allow the collection of rates sufficient for the utility to earn the minimum of its approved range of rate of return. As the time frame to process the interim request is 60 days, the statute dictates that the company need only make a prima facie showing that it is earning outside the allowed range of retrun established in the company's previous rate case. The interim rate increase is subject to refund, with interest based on the commercial paper rate, if the PSC finds that it is not warranted.

We understand your concerns regarding the utility's proposed rate increase and recognize that during these difficult economic times any increase in your utility bill would create additional financial hardship. We appreciate your comments and will add your correspondence to Docket No. 100426-WS.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact Ellen Plendl at 1-800-342-3552, or by fax at 1-800-511-0809.

Sincerely,

Randy Roland

Regulatory Program Administrator Division of Safety, Reliability &

Consumer Assistance

RR:mep

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#### **Diamond Williams**

100426-WS

From:

**Diamond Williams** 

Sent:

Wednesday, August 10, 2011 10:40 AM

To:

Ruth McHargue

Cc:

Matilda Sanders; Hong Wang; Diane Hood

Subject:

FW: To CLK Docket 100426

Attachments: Fwd: Utilities Inc. rate hike.

Thank you for this information. These attachments have been printed and placed in **Docket** Correspondence-Consumers and their Representatives, in Docket 100426-WS.

Thank you,

Diamond Williams Comm. Deputy Clerk I Office of Commission Clerk Florida Public Service Commission Email: diwillia@psc.state.fl.us

Phone: 850-413-6094

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From: Ruth McHargue

Sent: Tuesday, August 09, 2011 2:26 PM

To: Diamond Williams

Cc: Matilda Sanders; Hong Wang; Diane Hood

Subject: FW: To CLK Docket 100426

Customer correspondence

From: Diane Hood

**Sent:** Monday, August 08, 2011 3:56 PM

To: Ruth McHargue

Subject: To CLK Docket 100426

These have been entered with WS641 and docket #100426, close out code of PR-68. DH

From:

dalemrex@aol.com

Sent:

Monday, August 08, 2011 12:41 PM

To:

**Consumer Contact** 

Subject:

Fwd: Utilities Inc. rate hike.

Attachments: Public\_Service\_Commission.wpd

----Original Message-----

From: dalemrex <dalemrex@aol.com>
To: contact <contact@psc.state.fl.us>
Sent: Mon, Jul 11, 2011 2:08 pm
Subject: Utilities Inc. rate hike.

# Application for increase in water and wastewater rates in Lake County by

# LAKE UTILITY SERVICES, INC.

Docket No. 100426-WS

# To whom it may concern:

We would like you to deny Lake Utilities request for an increase in water and wastewater rates. They have already more than doubled in the past two years. Isn't it your responsibility to keep utility companies in check??? I run a small company and wouldn't stay in business very long if I continually increased my rates. The general public would simply seek more competitive companies elsewhere. We however don't have that option. As a result, it's your responsibility to make sure Lake Utilities rates are in line with other utility providers.

If they are so be it. But if not, deny their request. Also, let it be known that Lake Utilities have failed miserably when it comes to informing their utility consumers of up-coming meetings like the one we just had April 27<sup>th</sup> in Clermont. We received NO notification by mail. Further more, our phone calls to their office had no return response whatsoever. Your assistance in regards to these matters would be greatly appreciated.

Regards,

Dale & Barbara Rex 10525 Vista Del Sol Circle Clermont, Fl. 34711 <u>Dalemrex@aol.com</u>

100426-WS

From:

Diamond Williams

Sent:

Tuesday, August 09, 2011 10:05 AM

To:

Ruth McHargue

Cc:

Matilda Sanders; Hong Wang

Subject:

FW: To CLK Docket 100426

Attachments: Docket 100426-WS Water Rate Increase; Docket #100426-WS; Docket #100426-WS; {BULK}

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Sent: Monday, August 08, 2011 4:20 PM

To: Diamond Williams

Cc: Matilda Sanders; Hong Wang Subject: FW: To CLK Docket 100426

Customer correspondence

From: Diane Hood

Sent: Monday, August 08, 2011 8:56 AM

To: Ruth McHarque

Subject: To CLK Docket 100426

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From: Mary & Carey Goldin [CGoldin@cfl.rr.com]

Sent: Sunday, August 07, 2011 3:35 PM

To: Consumer Contact

Subject: Docket 100426-WS Water Rate Increase

Dear Ladies/Gentlemen,

I believe you are listening to Florida residents regarding this increase. My husband is disabled and I am the only one working in our household. I am 60 years of age now. We cannot afford another rate increase. America is in trouble right now. Families are just trying to put food on the table and hold on to their homes. How can Utilities Inc do this to us? They want a better rate for their investment??? We are just trying to live.

We need your continued support.

Thank you for listening,

Meg Goldin

PS... I went out to read my water meter. My community newsletter gave us all tips on trying to save \$\$ on our water bills. Did you know I had to dig my way down to my meter gage? How are they reading my meter if I could not read it without first digging all the dirt out of the box?

From: Bonny Sanders [bjeansanders@yahoo.com]

Sent: Sunday, August 07, 2011 7:45 PM

**To:** Consumer Contact **Subject:** Docket #100426-WS

Just to let you know that in these worse of economic times it is not the proper thing to do to raise

the utilities. Thank you, Bonny Sanders

From: James Warren [jwarren77@centurylink.net]

Sent: Sunday, August 07, 2011 9:45 PM

**To:** Consumer Contact **Subject:** Docket #100426-WS

We must protest any rate increase for Utilities,Inc in Lake Co,FL. Service from these people is nearly non-existent. Water pressure is minimal, the wastage from their facility in The Vistas is causing road damage, which must be repaired at taxpayer (us) expense. The cleanliness of their product is suspect from time to time, also.

James M & Mary S Warren 13716 Calle de Ora Ct The Vistas Clermont, FL 34711

From: louis stone [score1234@embarqmail.com]

Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2002 1:59 PM

To: Consumer Contact

Subject: {BULK} WATER RATES

8/8/11

**DOCKET # 100426-WS** 

NO TO A INCREASE IN WATER RATES, THIS COMPANY IS OUT OF CONTROL, TIME FOR NEW LEADERSHIP AT THE TOP.CUSTOMERS SHOULD NOT BE RESPONSIBLE TO PAYOFF DEBT FOR THEIR POOR DECISIONS & LOUSY LEADERSHIP.

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From:

Diamond Williams

Sent:

Tuesday, August 02, 2011 12:36 PM

To:

Ruth McHargue

Cc:

Matilda Sanders; Hong Wang

Subject:

FW: Docket 100426 to Clerk

Attachments: water rate increase

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From: Ruth McHargue

Sent: Tuesday, August 02, 2011 10:19 AM

To: Diamond Williams

Cc: Matilda Sanders; Hong Wang Subject: FW: Docket 100426 to Clerk

Customer correspondence

From: Lynette Tenace

Sent: Monday, August 01, 2011 3:37 PM

To: Ruth McHargue

Subject: Docket 100426 to Clerk

Filed in CATS, please see 1021705C.

Lynette Tenace OPS Senior Clerk SSC-Public Service Commission P: 850-413-6131 F: 850-413-6132

From: Angie Calhoun

8/2/2011

**Sent:** Monday, August 01, 2011 2:46 PM **To:** Lynette Tenace

Subject: Lake Utilities Rate Increase Protest

Please file as a protest to docket 100426, PR68, and company code WS641.

Thanks,

Angie

From: Didi Bushey [xpowerwalk@hotmail.com]

Sent: Sunday, July 31, 2011 1:04 PM

**To:** Consumer Contact **Subject:** water rate increase To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing concerning another proposed water & sewer rate increase. (Docket # 100426-WS). As customers of Utilities, Inc., we have experienced several water and sewer rate increases over the last 2 to 3 years. These increases are getting way out of hand. When will it end??? My mother, also a customer, may have to move out of her home if the rates continue to rise. Where is the money going?? It certainly hasn't gone to finding a way to end the terrible smell from the plant between Greater Groves and Weston Hills!!

Dolores Bushey-Adams Weston Hills Clermont, Fl.

1004210-WS

From:

Diamond Williams

Sent:

Thursday, July 28, 2011 10:36 AM

To:

Randy Roland

Cc:

Matilda Sanders; Hong Wang

Subject:

FW: Docket 100426 to Clerk, no response requested

Attachments: Water rate increase; FW: Water rate increase; water rate increase DOCKET # 100-426-WS

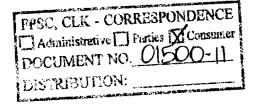
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From: Randy Roland

Sent: Thursday, July 28, 2011 10:21 AM

To: Diamond Williams

Cc: Matilda Sanders; Hong Wang

Subject: FW: Docket 100426 to Clerk, no response requested

Please add the attached correspondence to the correspondence side of Docket 100426.

From: Lynette Tenace

Sent: Thursday, July 28, 2011 8:24 AM

To: Randy Roland

Subject: Docket 100426 to Clerk, no response requested

Filed in CATS, please see 1020961C and 1020963C.

Lynette Tenace OPS Senior Clerk SSC-Public Service Commission P: 850-413-6131 F: 850-413-6132

From: Angie Calhoun

**Sent:** Thursday, July 28, 2011 8:03 AM **To:** Lynette Tenace

Subject: Lake Utilities Rate Increase protest

Please enter as a protest PR68 for docket 100426, company code WS641

Thanks,

Angie

From: Kenneth Wilde [Kenneth.Wilde@mclaneco.com]

Sent: Tuesday, July 26, 2011 4:32 PM

**To:** Consumer Contact **Subject:** Water rate increase

Florida Public Service Commission:

To grant Utilities Inc. thru Lake Utilities Services, Inc. another water rate increase is ridiculous. They already have the highest water rates of any water company in the area. No one I know in Osceola, Orange, or Polk Counties pay anywhere near the rates we pay in Lake County for just water and sewer services alone. They have received numerous increases over the last few years. Bad management on their part should not result in another increase for the customer. Water and sewer for me is my highest utility bill. It is more than my electric bill on a yearly total. We already conserve as much as possible. The fact we HAVE to use water should not give them the right to keep raising their rates on the consumer. Ken Wilde

15850 Bay Vista Dr. Clermont, Fl. 34714

From: Kenneth Wilde [Kenneth.Wilde@mclaneco.com]

Sent: Tuesday, July 26, 2011 4:36 PM

To: Consumer Contact

Subject: FW: Water rate increase

Docket#100426-WS

From: Kenneth Wilde

Sent: Tuesday, July 26, 2011 4:32 PM

**To:** 'contact@psc.state.fl.us' **Subject:** Water rate increase

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Ken Wilde 15850 Bay Vista Dr. Clermont, Fl. 34714

From: Alipamperedpetz@aol.com

Sent: Wednesday, July 27, 2011 1:31 PM

To: Consumer Contact

Subject: water rate increase DOCKET # 100-426-WS

MICHAEL AND PATRICIA IRWIN 13743 VISTA DEL LAGO BLVD CLERMONT FLORIDA 34711

DOCKET # 100-426-WS

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to voice my concern at the possible increase in the already to high water rates.

I am aware that LUSI would like a return on their investment, I as well as any neighbor I have spoken too think our rates are already too high. My brother and his family live in Minneola his bill is one third of mine. People in lake county are trying to hold onto their homes and ANOTHER INCREASE at this time in this economy will seriously hurt the people of lake county.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

P Irwin

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Administrative Parties X Consumer

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## **Diamond Williams**

00426-WS

From:

Diamond Williams

Sent:

Monday, July 25, 2011 11:08 AM

To:

Randy Roland

Cc:

Matilda Sanders; Hong Wang

Subject:

FW: Docket 100426

Attachments: #100426-WS; DOCKET #100426-WS

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From: Randy Roland

Sent: Monday, July 25, 2011 10:55 AM

To: Diamond Williams

Cc: Matilda Sanders; Hong Wang Subject: FW: Docket 100426

Please add the attached customer correspondence to the correspondence side of the Docket 100426-WS

Randy

From:

trish [trish34711@earthlink.net]

Sent:

Saturday, July 23, 2011 3:19 PM

To:

**Consumer Contact** 

Subject: DOCKET #100426-WS

Water Rates being raised in the "Vistas"

As a resident of the Vistas for over 10 years I am voicing my strong objection to ANY rate increases of our water rate which are already over priced. There has been no valid basis for this rate increase and if it takes a law suit, youv've got it coming

Dr. D.D. Schafer 13502 Palo Court Clermont, FL 34711

From: Sent: Len [Ftleonardale@gmx.com] Sunday, July 24, 2011 1:11 PM

To:

Consumer Contact

Subject:

#100426-WS

how could the LUSI consider raising water rates with the economy in such a mess! there is nothing more basic to sustain life than water.

right now my pension check is supporting 3 families and i have not received a cola adjustment in 2 years. the us government says i don't need it. so i think this huge rate increase is an outrage. how about a 5% increase i never got a pay raise over 5% in my life! the psc is suppose to be a watch dog to make sure the public does not get ripped

off do your job!!!!

leonard carr 13805 vista del lago blvd

clermont fl. 34711

352-4325559

1004210·WS

From:

Diamond Williams

Sent:

Monday, July 25, 2011 8:34 AM

To:

Ruth McHargue

Cc:

Hong Wang; Matilda Sanders

Subject:

FW: To CLK Docket 100426

Attachments: Docket #100426-WS; water; docket #10426ws; DOCKET NO 110019 (-WS) Harbor Hills Utilities

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to Aqua Utility Florida

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From: Ruth McHargue

Sent: Friday, July 22, 2011 4:32 PM

To: Diamond Williams

Subject: FW: To CLK Docket 100426

Customer correspondence

From: Diane Hood

Sent: Friday, July 22, 2011 4:14 PM

To: Ruth McHargue

Subject: To CLK Docket 100426

These have been filed as info requests with WS641 (company code), Docket number 100426 and PR-68 (as close out code). DH

From:

THEEXEC@aol.com

Sent:

Thursday, July 21, 2011 5:33 PM

To:

**Consumer Contact** 

Subject:

Docket #100426-WS

Follow Up Flag: Follow up

Flag Status:

Green

Good day,

I encourage you to oppose the requested water increase by Lake Utilities Services, Inc

Please assist us by denying this increase that will have a negative affect to my home and my community.

Regards,

Edward L. Rios (R) 2733 Brook Hollow Rd. Clermont, Fl. 34714

From:

pokandfl@aol.com

Sent:

Thursday, July 21, 2011 7:06 PM

To:

Consumer Contact

Subject:

water

Follow Up Flag: Follow up

Flag Status:

Green

hello.

we don't need a water increase for docket # 100426 . since you keep adding people on you have enuff money where you don't need to increase are rates.. so please leave them alone... we shouldn't be paying what we are they are way to high know , we should have them lower than being raised thank you

From:

nalmike1@aol.com

Sent:

Thursday, July 21, 2011 10:18 PM

To:

**Consumer Contact** 

Subject:

docket #10426ws

Follow Up Flag: Follow up

Flag Status:

Green

**DEAR COMMISSIONES"** 

AS A SENIOR CITIZEN ON SOCIAL SECURITY ASKING THEY NOT AGREE TO THIS INCREASE IN WATER RATES ON UTILITIES COMPANY.

**DOCKET #100426WS** 

MIKE SMARGIASSI

From:

Karen Setz [setzk@embargmail.com]

Sent:

Friday, July 22, 2011 1:32 PM

To:

Consumer Contact

Subject:

DOCKET NO 110019 (-WS) Harbor Hills Utilities to Aqua Utility Florida

Follow Up Flag: Follow up Flag Status: Green

Ms. Ann Cole Commission Clerk Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

RE: Docket No. 110019-WS -Aqua Utilities Florida, Inc.'s Application for Approval of Transfer of Harbor Hills Utilities, L.P.'s Water System to Aqua Utilities Florida, Inc. and Amendment of Certificate in Lake County, FL, and Aqua Utilities Florida, Inc.'s Application for Original Certificate for an Existing Wastewater System, Request for Initial Rates and Charges, and Amendment of Certificate in Lake County, FL.

Dear Ms. Cole,

I disagree that it is in the public interest to transfer the certificate for water (and wastewater) systems of the Harbor Hills Utilities, LP to Aqua Utilities Florida, Inc (AUF).

While these negotiations were underway for the better part of nearly two years, we were unaware of this proposed sale, and only learned of it in January 2011 (and again on June 22 when we were subsequently re-advised because of errors in Aqua's original notifications; even this notification is with errors).

Not only because water is vital to our health, but also to our quality of life here in Harbor Hills, we oppose this transfer for the following reasons:

- The transfer of the water system to AUF is not in the public interest.- I question whether the proposed wastewater service documentation is accurate.
- The Notice which was provided to the residents was inaccurate and unclear.
- I believe the reputation and performance record of AUF is highly questionable based on the facts of past experience in Florida and other States. We respectfully request that the Public Service Commission deny the transfer of the Harbor Hills water utilities operating certificates to AUF, and conduct a thorough investigation on their past and present operations in the State of Florida.

Sincerely, Ulrich and Karen Setz 39659 Grove Heights, Lady Lake, FL 32159

From:

Subject:

Diamond Williams

Sent:

Friday, July 22, 2011 11:31 AM

To: Cc: Ruth McHargue
Matilda Sanders; Hong Wang
RE: To CLK Docket 100426

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Sent: Friday, July 22, 2011 9:09 AM

To: Diamond Williams

Cc: Matilda Sanders; Hong Wang Subject: FW: To CLK Docket 100426

Customer correspondence

----Original Message-----From: Consumer Contact

Sent: Thursday, July 21, 2011 4:30 PM

To: Ruth McHargue

Subject: To CLK Docket 100426

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----Original Message----

From: John [mailto:apache7544@mac.com] Sent: Thursday, July 21, 2011 12:21 PM

To: Consumer Contact Subject: Water Increases

It is unfortunate that the city of Clermont has divested itself of responsibilities of water supply and management to the people of South Lake by using a 3rd party named Utilities Inc. Since this divestiture we have seen rate

increases coming in one after another. As a member of this community I would petition you to refuse this latest water increase on us. Thank you, John Dominski 15207 GrGr Blvd. Clermont Fl.			

100426-WS

From:

Diamond Williams

Sent:

Thursday, July 21, 2011 2:19 PM

To:

Ruth McHarque

Cc:

Hong Wang: Matilda Sanders

Subject:

FW: To CLK Docket 100426

Attachments: Re:Docket #100426-WS; water increase; Docket #100426-WS; docket #100426-WS; Protest

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Sent: Thursday, July 21, 2011 1:10 PM

To: Diamond Williams

Cc: Hong Wang; Matilda Sanders Subject: FW: To CLK Docket 100426

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Sent: Thursday, July 21, 2011 9:04 AM

To: Ruth McHarque

Subject: To CLK Docket 100426

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From:

mcooper999@netzero.net

Sent:

Thursday, July 21, 2011 7:37 AM

To:

**Consumer Contact** 

Subject:

Re:Docket #100426-WS

Follow Up Flag: Follow up Flag Status: Green

To whom this may concern,

Lake County Residence cannot afford another water rate increase. There are too many families, who can barely afford food and shelter. This increase will put a hardship on the Lake County people. We urge you NOT to pass this proposed Increase.

Kind regards

A.C.

57 Year Old Mom Looks 27!

Mom Reveals \$5 Wrinkle Trick That Has Angered Doctors! ConsumerLifestyles.org

From:

Howard Clark [howard14012@yahoo.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, July 20, 2011 8:48 PM

To:

Consumer Contact

Subject:

water increase

Follow Up Flag: Follow up Flag Status:

Green

To Whom It May Concern,

Say it isnt so. I was just informed today that Lake Utilities is asking for another increase in the water rates. How is this possible? They were just granted a hefty increase and now are asking for another one. Is this the way utilities get what they want. Because they did not get what they asked for the first time, they just turn around and ask for another increase. Please, give this some thought. Those of us who are on fixed incomes havent had an increase in three years, yet everything else has increased. Please, we are drowning in debt now! The foreclosure rate is at epidemic levels in this area and now people are walking away from their homes because they cannot afford to pay the utilities.

The biggest portion of communities in this area who are serviced by Lake Utilities have HOA's and MUST maintain a lawn. Just affording to water twice a week and showering on a daily basis is costing the average person 200.00 a month. This is ridiculous. The PSC should take over all the HOA's and grant us the ability to not water our lawns.

Lake Utilities has granted Niagara Bottling the ability to draw thousands of gallons of water on a daily basis and yet would have us believe that they need another increase.

Once again, I beg you to research this carefully as the end result will be catastrophic to most of us.

Kind regards, Pamela Clark 2543 Meadow Oaks Loop Clermont, Fl

From:

Deborah & Collin Bishop-Karney [bishopkarney2@gmail.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, July 20, 2011 11:16 PM

To:

Consumer Contact

Subject:

Docket #100426-WS

Follow Up Flag: Follow up Flag Status:

Green

To the PSC Commissioners:

It has recently come to my attention my water company, Utilities Inc. (through their parent company Lake Utilities Services, Inc.) has submitted an application to you for another **INCREASE** in water rates.

As a single parent and full time charter school teacher, I do not have the funds to support this request. I've been in my single family home since 2004 and at that time my water bill averaged \$60. Here it is 2011 and my water bill is \$100+ every month; my water consumption is less than it was in 2004. Currently I am considering relocation as I've been struggling to make ends meet in my modest home in my modest neighborhood. It pains me to think my decision may be made for me because I can no longer afford to live in Weston Hills, which is serviced by this water company.

I ask that you PLEASE take into consideration my situation, along with many others for whom I believe you will hear from, when making your decision to approve of this rate increase.

I'd also like to add, it is my understanding the water company has asked for its fairly recent rate hike due to their increased costs of having to purify the odor emanating from their plant right next to my neighborhood. If this is the correct situation, I must say I am highly disappointed... as frequently my neighborhood reeks of a foul odor from their plant next door.

Thank you for taking the time to consider what I've shared with you.

Respectfully,

Deborah Bishop-Karney Weston Hills resident Clermont, FL

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Deborah & Collin Bishop-Karney

From:

Amy Howe [amyhowe76@yahoo.com]

Sent:

Thursday, July 21, 2011 7:08 AM

To:

**Consumer Contact** 

Subject:

docket #100426-WS

Follow Up Flag: Follow up Flag Status:

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I am just emaling about another rate increase for water. We just had one in April and my bill is ridiculous already. How do you think people on fixed incomes can afford you? Shame on you!

From:

James McFarlane [james@gringerhill.freeserve.co.uk]

Sent:

Thursday, July 21, 2011 7:12 AM

To:

**Consumer Contact** 

Subject:

Protest against Increase in Water rates LUSI Docket # 100426-WS

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As a homeowner in Lake County I am protesting against a further increase in the water rates for residents in the county. At a time when everyone has to exercise restraint in their expenditure, it should be expected that the utility companies should observe the same constraints and pursue all avenues in house in order to reduce their costs.

James McFarlane 15702 Bay Vista Dr Clermont FL 34714

100426-WS

From:

**Diamond Williams** 

Sent:

Thursday, July 21, 2011 1:03 PM

To:

Ruth McHargue

Cc:

Matilda Sanders: Hong Wang

Subject: RE: To CLK Docket#100426-WS

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Sent: Thursday, July 21, 2011 12:55 PM

To: Diamond Williams

Cc: Matilda Sanders; Hong Wang

Subject: FW: To CLK Docket#100426-WS

Customer correspondence

From: Consumer Contact

Sent: Thursday, July 21, 2011 12:40 PM

To: Ruth McHarque

Subject: To CLK Docket#100426-WS

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From: shannon berry [mailto:pssberry@hotmail.com]

Sent: Thursday, July 21, 2011 9:55 AM

To: Consumer Contact Subject: Docket#100426-WS

To Whom it may concern:

I am a Lake County water consumer and would like to oppose the application for an increase in water fees. Please note that I am against Docket#100426-WS.

Thank you, Mrs. Berry

100426-WS

## **Diamond Williams**

From: Diamond Williams

Sent: Wednesday, July 20, 2011 9:51 AM

To: Ruth McHargue

Cc: Hong Wang; Matilda Sanders

Subject: RE: To CLK Docket 100426 - WS

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From: Ruth McHargue

Sent: Wednesday, July 20, 2011 9:26 AM

To: Diamond Williams

Cc: Hong Wang; Matilda Sanders

Subject: FW: To CLK Docket 100426 - WS

#### Customer correspondence

From: Consumer Contact

Sent: Wednesday, July 20, 2011 8:12 AM

To: Ruth McHargue

Subject: To CLK Docket 100426 - WS

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From: grhodes13@cfl.rr.com [mailto:grhodes13@cfl.rr.com]

Sent: Tuesday, July 19, 2011 11:01 PM

To: Consumer Contact

Subject: Docket # 100426 - WS

7/20/2011

NO water rate increase, please.

GK Rhodes 10308 Calle de Flores Drive Vistas at Lake Louisa Clermont FL 347117670

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From:

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Sent:

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To:

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Cc:

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From: Ruth McHargue

Sent: Tuesday, July 19, 2011 10:32 AM

To: Diamond Williams

Cc: Matilda Sanders; Hong Wang Subject: FW: Docket 100426 to CLK

Customer correspondence

From: Lynette Tenace

Sent: Tuesday, July 19, 2011 8:10 AM

To: Ruth McHargue

Subject: Docket 100426 to CLK

Filed in CATS, please see 1019233.

Lynette Tenace OPS Senior Clerk SSC-Public Service Commission P: 850-413-6131

F: 850-413-6132

From: Consumer Contact

Sent: Tuesday, July 19, 2011 8:04 AM

To: Lynette Tenace

Subject: FW: Docket Number 100426-WS

7/20/2011

From: Bob Ruley [mailto:ubbabob@hotmail.com]

Sent: Monday, July 18, 2011 9:29 PM

To: Consumer Contact

Subject: Docket Number 100426-WS

I am writing to you today as a customer of Utilities Inc. to urge you to deny their request to raise our water rates. During these fairly tough times, an increase in water rates would be a burdensome addition to our monthly budget. There are very few areas that we can decrease our water usage to offset any increase in the rates.

Please do not make it any tougher on my young family to make it through these current economic times.

Robert Ruley 13743 Calle De Ora Ct Clermont, FL

From:

Diamond Williams

Sent:

Tuesday, July 19, 2011 10:08 AM

To:

Ruth McHargue

Cc: Subject: Matilda Sanders; Hong Wang RE: To CLK Docket 100426-WS

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Sent: Monday, July 18, 2011 12:54 PM

To: Diamond Williams

Cc: Matilda Sanders; Hong Wang

Subject: FW: To CLK Docket 100426-WS

Customer correspondence

----Original Message----From: Consumer Contact

Sent: Monday, July 18, 2011 8:47 AM

To: Ruth McHargue

Subject: To CLK Docket 100426-WS

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----Original Message-----

From: Bob Pittman [mailto:bob\_pittman@sil.org]

Sent: Sunday, July 17, 2011 6:12 PM

To: Consumer Contact

Subject: Docket Number 100426-WS

Dear Commissioners,

I understand that Utilities, Inc. wants to raise the water rates again at the Vistas at Lake Louisa. I would like to encourage you to not approve this rate increase. The rates have continued to go up and in these difficult economic times, this places a hardship on the homeowners. We don't need more homeowners having to go through foreclosures at this time. It isn't good for any of us. I am sure I don't need to document the economic difficulties facing us at this time. So please do not approve this increase. Thank you for considering the homeowners in this matter.

Sincerely, Robert & Linda Pittman 13820 Sierra Ct. Clermont, FL 34711

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From:

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Sent:

Tuesday, July 12, 2011 11:28 AM

To:

Ruth McHargue

Cc:

Matilda Sanders; Hong Wang

Subject:

FW: Docket 100426

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Sent: Monday, July 11, 2011 4:38 PM

To: Ruth McHarque

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From: Consumer Contact

Sent: Monday, July 11, 2011 2:11 PM

To: Lynette Tenace

Subject: FW: Utilities Inc. rate hike.

From: dalemrex@aol.com [mailto:dalemrex@aol.com]

**Sent:** Monday, July 11, 2011 2:09 PM **To:** Consumer Contact

Subject: Utilities Inc. rate hike.

## Application for increase in water and wastewater rates in Lake County by

## LAKE UTILITY SERVICES, INC.

Docket No. 100426-WS

### To whom it may concern:

We would like you to deny Lake Utilities request for an increase in water and wastewater rates. They have already more than doubled in the past two years. Isn't it your responsibility to keep utility companies in check??? I run a small company and wouldn't stay in business very long if I continually increased my rates. The general public would simply seek more competitive companies elsewhere. We however don't have that option. As a result, it's your responsibility to make sure Lake Utilities rates are in line with other utility providers.

If they are so be it. But if not, deny their request. Also, let it be known that Lake Utilities have failed miserably when it comes to informing their utility consumers of up-coming meetings like the one we just had April 27<sup>th</sup> in Clermont. We received NO notification by mail. Further more, our phone calls to their office had no return response whatsoever. Your assistance in regards to these matters would be greatly appreciated.

Regards,

Dale & Barbara Rex 10525 Vista Del Sol Circle Clermont, Fl. 34711 Dalemrex@aol.com

From:

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Sent:

Tuesday, July 12, 2011 11:31 AM

To:

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Cc:

Matilda Sanders; Hong Wang

Subject:

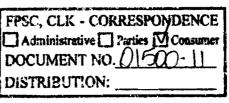
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To: Ruth McHargue Subject: Docket 100426

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To: Consumer Contact

Subject: Docket Number: 100426-WS

Please don't increase our water rates. They already have had several increases and we don't see any improvement in services. Docket Number: 100426-WS

Del Brandt 14109 Vista Del Lago Blvd Clermont

100426·WS

From:

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Sent:

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To: Diamond Williams

**Cc:** Hong Wang; Matilda Sanders **Subject:** FW: Docket 100426

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**To:** Ruth McHargue **Subject:** Docket 100426

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P: 850-413-6131
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From: dhm12458@aol.com [mailto:dhm12458@aol.com]

Sent: Sunday, July 10, 2011 8:23 PM

To: Consumer Contact

**Subject:** Re: Docket Number 100426-WS

To Whom It May Concern:

We have heard that our water bills are going to be increased again. We are voting against this.

Michael and Diana Miller 10305 Calle de Flores Drive Clermont, FL 34711

From:

Diamond Williams

Sent:

Tuesday, July 12, 2011 11:32 AM

To:

Ruth McHargue

Cc:

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Subject:

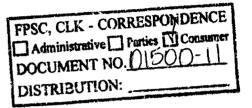
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Sent: Monday, July 11, 2011 8:40 AM

To: Ruth McHargue Subject: Docket 100426

File in CATS, please see 1017697C

Lynette Tenace OPS Senior Clerk SSC-Public Service Commission P: 850-413-6131

F: 850-413-6132

----Original Message----

From: Consumer Contact

Sent: Monday, July 11, 2011 8:08 AM

To: Lynette Tenace Subject: FW: 100426-WS

----Original Message----

From: Rafael OTERO [mailto:rafaelopr62@yahoo.com] Sent: Sunday, July 10, 2011 10:11 PM

To: Consumer Contact Subject: 100426-WS

I don't want this increase

Rafael Otero

The Vistas resident

From:

Diamond Williams

Sent:

Thursday, June 23, 2011 2:09 PM

To:

Ruth McHargue

Cc: Subject: Matilda Sanders; Hong Wang RE: To CLK Docket 100426

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Diamond Williams Comm. Deputy Clerk I Office of Commission Clerk Florida Public Service Commission Email: diwillia@psc.state.fl.us

Phone: 850-413-6094

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----Original Message----From: Ruth McHargue

Sent: Thursday, June 23, 2011 9:57 AM

To: Diamond Williams

Cc: Matilda Sanders; Hong Wang Subject: FW: To CLK Docket 100426

Importance: Low

Customer correspondence

----Original Message----From: Consumer Contact

Sent: Thursday, June 23, 2011 9:54 AM

To: Ruth McHargue

Subject: To CLK Docket 100426

Importance: Low

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From: contact@psc.state.fl.us [mailto:contact@psc.state.fl.us]

Sent: Wednesday, June 22, 2011 4:01 PM

To: Consumer Contact

Subject: {BULK} E-Form Other Complaint TRACKING NUMBER: 29224

Importance: Low

## Complaint filed with PSC

Select County: LAKE

**CUSTOMER INFORMATION** 

Name: LaMar Hill

Telephone: 352-394-3375 Email: laflarpink36@aol.com

Address: 11631 Pineloch Loop Clermont 34711

#### **BUSINESS INFORMATION**

Business Account Name: LaMar Hill Account Number: 9606300000

Address: 11631 Pineloch Loop Clermont Florida 34711

#### COMPLAINT INFORMATION

Complaint: Other Complaint against Utilities, Inc. of Florida

Details:

I have had an ongoing problem with my water utility company drastically increasing my bill without notice. My bill in March was \$30.00. My bill jumped to a \$100.31 in May and for the month of June there was a huge increase to \$251.27. I called the utility company @1-800-272-1919 to find out why there was an increase without notification. The rate was originally at 1.72 per 1,000 gallons. The rate is now at 2.24 for the first 1,000-5,000 gallons to 3.37 per 5,000 gallons and up. The customer service person told me that it is normal to do an increase without notice due to the shortage of water and the power utility increases. I feel that this was a lie. The increase is ridiculous. My electric bill had a small increase that bill is @ \$143.00. We run our electricity alot more then we do our sprinklers. I want to file a complaint against this rate increase. I was not given any written notice about an increase. This is unfair and I feel it has been a fraud against the consumers.

PSC was contacted previously

## Ellen Plendl

100426-WS

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From: Sent: Mary & Carey Goldin [CGoldin@cfl.rr.com]

Sent: To: Sunday, June 19, 2011 9:11 PM Consumer Contact

Subject:

Docket Number 100426-WS

Importance:

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COMMISSION CLERK

Dear Chairman Graham, Commissioner Balbis, Commissioner Edgar, Commissioner Brise and Commissioner Brown,

My name is Mary Goldin and I represent the 234 property owner's of the Vistas @ Lake Louisa. We are a small community located off highway 27 and Lake Louisa Road in South Lake County. Utilities Inc. (associated with Docket 100426-WS) is our water supplier. I felt compelled to write to you asking for your help as it relates to this requested rate increase.

My community is made up of many retired folks living on fixed incomes. Many others have fallen on hard times due to job cut-backs, job loss, etc. and are hanging on to their homes in these desperate times. We have survived previous rate increases and are just shocked that Utilities Inc. is now, through her parent company asking for yet another increase.

I would ask you, please do not allow this increase. I moved here from Orlando where water rates were high, but these in South Lake County are quickly surpassing anything that I have seen. Please, please, please think of all the residents who will be affected by this increase. Not now....

I understand LUSI is specifying this increase to cover increasing operating costs? My area of Lake County has grown and Utilities Inc. is receiving more funds because they supply the water to the communities here. And they want to earn a fair rate on their investment??? I know folks who are juggling to pay their utility bills and put food on their table.

This is just not the time and completely unnecessary my Friends. Please, please vote NO.

Most Sincerely,

Mary E Goldin, President Vistas @ Lake Louisa HOA 13501 Vista Del Lago Blvd. Clermont, FL 34711 352-242-0374 FPSC, CLK - CORRESPONDENCE

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DIVISION OF SAFETY, RELIABILITY & CONSUMER ASSISTANCE DANIEL M. HOPPE, DIRECTOR (850) 413-6480

# Hublic Service Commission

June 21, 2011

Ms. Mary E. Goldin Vistas at Lake Louisa HOA 13501 Vista Del Lago Blvd. Clermont, FL 34711

RE: PSC Inquiry 1014716C

Dear Ms. Goldin:

This is in response to your E-mail regarding Lake Utility Services, Incorporated (Lake Utility Services) to the Florida Public Service Commission (PSC).

You expressed a concern about Lake Utility Services' application for an increase in water and wastewater rates. We appreciate your comments regarding the petition and will add your correspondence to Docket No. 100426-WS.

If you have any questions or concerns please call Ellen Plendl at 1-800-342-3552 or by fax at 1-800-511-0809.

Sincerely,

Randy Roland

Regulatory Program Administrator Division of Safety, Reliability &

Consumer Assistance

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100426-WS

From:

**Diamond Williams** 

Sent:

Tuesday, May 31, 2011 8:31 AM

To:

Ruth McHarque

Cc:

Dorothy Menasco: Matilda Sanders

Subject:

RE: To CLK Docket 100462

Thank you for this information. This attachment has been printed and placed in Docket Correspondence-Consumers and their Representatives, in Docket 100462-GU.

Thank you,

Diamond Williams
Comm. Deputy Clerk I
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Email: diwillia@psc.state.fl.us

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----Original Message-----From: Ruth McHargue

Sent: Friday, May 27, 2011 2:23 PM

To: Diamond Williams

Cc: Dorothy Menasco; Matilda Sanders Subject: FW: To CLK Docket 100462

Customer correspondence

----Original Message-----From: Consumer Contact

Sent: Friday, May 27, 2011 11:23 AM

To: Ruth McHargue

Subject: To CLK Docket 100462

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From: contact@psc.state.fl.us [mailto:contact@psc.state.fl.us]

Sent: Thursday, May 26, 2011 3:47 PM

To: Consumer Contact

Subject: E-Form Other Complaint TRACKING NUMBER: 28953

Complaint filed with PSC

Select County: LAKE

**CUSTOMER INFORMATION** 

Name: Gordon Jackson Telephone: 352-243-3637

Email: mompopjack@cfl.rr.com

Address: 10813 Vineyard Court Clermont 34711

## **BUSINESS INFORMATION**

Business Account Name: Gordon Jackson

Account Number: 2320210000

Address: 10813 Vineyard Court Clermont Florida 34711

## **COMPLAINT INFORMATION**

Complaint: Other Complaint against Utilities, Inc. of Florida

Details:

You have allowed this company to raise their rates more than 400% over the past 3 years, they have received a "cost of living" increase and now are increasing charges for meters and associated by 50%. This equipment is already in service and in my case for over 11 years.

Their billing practices are deceptive. They extend the cycle during heavy watering periods to take advantage of the sliding rate scale you approve, thereby charging the highest rate possible for consumption.

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Address 13732 Call De Cha Ct

Commission CLERK

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Subject: Docket # 100426-WS

Water Rate Increase For Lake Utility Services, Inc.

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Dear Sir:

I am writing to strongly object to the rate increase that you have approved for Lake Utility Services. When in the midst of a two year economic recession that we are struggling to come out of, it is difficult – if not impossible – for me to grasp why you would approve a 30% plus increase in water rates. With inflation at 0%, (excluding gasoline and food), it is absurd, if not criminal, to increase rates 30-33%. When we purchased this home in 2010, my neighbors were up in arms over a recent increase that they said "doubled" their water bills.

I would be remiss for not reminding you, that your task as a regulatory agency, is to protect the consumer, not the PROVIDER.

I hope you will reconsider this increase, and if they have to have more, how about two to three percent?

Sincerely,

Michael J. Perham

CC Lake Utility Services, Inc. State Representative File

Enclosure: Petition/Lake Louisa Highlands Residents Against Water Rate Hike

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## LAKE LOUISA HIGHLANDS NEIGHBORHOOD PETITION AGAINST WATER RATE HIKE

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Address 13338 VIA ROMA CIRCLE

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Name	John & Michele Horn
Address	13748 Calle de Ora Ct
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Name Orrin Glann Mckinney

Address 16418 Citrus Parkway

Clermont FL 34714

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### **Diamond Williams**

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From:

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Sent:

Wednesday, May 04, 2011 4:00 PM

To:

Ruth McHargue

Cc:

Dorothy Menasco; Matilda Sanders

Subject:

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To: Diamond Williams

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Regards,

Dale & Barbara Rex 10525 Vista Del Sol Circle Clermont, Fl. 34711 Dalemrex@aol.com

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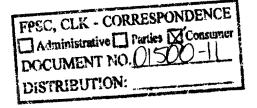
### Hublic Service Commission

April 19, 2011

Mr. Howard C. Clark 2543 Meadow Oaks Loop Clermont, FL 34714

Re: Lake Utility Services, Inc. - Docket No. 100426-WS

Dear Mr. Clark:



Thank you for your corresponence submitted through our Online Consumer Complaint Form in which you expressed your concerns regarding the application for a rate increase filed by Lake Utility Services, Inc. (LUSI or Utility). To ensure that the Commission staff and the Commissioners have knowledge of your concerns, a copy of your comments has been placed in the correspondence section of the docket file for all to review.

With respect to the development of rates, the Commission is required to set rates that are just, reasonable, compensatory, and not unfairly discriminatory. To determine the appropriate rates for service, the Commission uses a rate of return methodology as set forth in Chapter 367, Florida Statutes (F.S.). Under the rate of return methodology, a utility is allowed to earn a reasonable return on its prudently invested property that is used and useful in serving the public, less accrued depreciation, plus an allowance for operating capital. This ratemaking process is used for all water and wastewater companies and is also used in the electric and gas industry. It is the same approach used throughout the country by various state and federal utility regulatory agencies.

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Mr. Howard C. Clark Page 2 April 19, 2011

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Ms. Mary Warren c/o Residents of the Vista's at Lake Louisa 13716 Calle De Ora Ct. Clermont, FL 34711

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Mr. Richard Madero 12850 Anderson Hill Road Clermont, FL 34711

Re: Lake Utility Services, Inc. - Docket No. 100426-WS

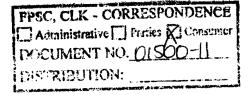
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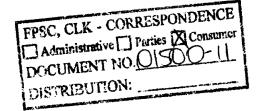
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April 19, 2011

Mr. Keith Harris 11341 Preston Cove Road Clermont, FL 34711

Re: Lake Utility Services, Inc. - Docket No. 100426-WS

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April 13, 2011

Office of the Commission Clerk Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850 Parties Consumer DOCUMENT NO 01500-11 DISTRIBUTION:

Dear Sirs

I am writing to you in regards to Docket 100426-WS; Application for increase in water and wastewater rates in Lake County by Lake Utility Services.

I am totally against your office approving the rate increase for several reasons.

- 1. They are currently profiting \$1, 144, 140.00 per year on \$6,330,723.00 revenue. That means that they are making just under 23% profit. Just how greedy are they.
- 2. They are already screwing us on the Sewer Charge. They refuse to let us install a 2<sup>nd</sup> water meter for irrigation because they say we will have a reclaimed system soon. This is what they have been saying for years, and we have been forced to pay sewer usage for watering our lawns. They have a 10,000 gallon per month cap on sewer usage. A more reasonable cap would be 5,000 gallons. They know that a single family home without an irrigation system only uses 3000 to 4000 gallons a month. The current charge per single family household with the 10,000 gallon cap is \$69.37
- 3. They are clearly LYING to you and us about there current water rates. I have enclosed what they mailed us. Please look at page 5, I have hi-lighted what they say there current water rates are. Here is what they are actually charging. This is from my 03/22/2011 water bill.

### WATER SERVICE

WATER BASE CHARGE		9.46
FIRST 3,103 GALLONS	1.72 PER 1000	5.34
NEXT 3,104	2.15 PER 1000	6.67
NEXT 2,725	2.58 PER 1000	7.03
NEXT 1,897	2.24 PER 1000	4.25
NEXT 1,896	2.81 PER 1000	5.33
NEXT 1,665	3.37 PER 1000	5.61
FOR A TOTAL OF		43.69

This is for 14,390 gallons. If you use there chart from page 5, the cost would be \$30.68 and with the base charge added \$40.14 I'm not a math teacher, but these numbers don't agree, or add up.

I would be at the April 27 meeting except I have to be in NY for a wedding. I sincerely hope that you look over there books to see just what is going on. I hope you agree that in these hard times that they are already making enough money. Our water bills are currently over \$100 a month and we can not afford anymore. If they were losing money, or even coming close to losing, I would be in favor, but not when they are making 23% profit.

Sincerely

#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

## COMBINED NOTICE:

# INITIAL CUSTOMER NOTICE AND NOTICE OF CUSTOMER MEETING

TO THE CUSTOMERS OF LAKE UTILITY SERVICES, INC.
AND
ALL OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS

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RE: DOCKET NO. 100426-WS; APPLICATION FOR INCREASE IN WATER AND WASTEWATER RATES IN LAKE COUNTY BY LAKE UTILITY SERVICES, INC.

April 6, 2011

**NOTICE** is hereby given that the Staff of the Public Service Commission (the "Commission") will conduct a customer meeting to discuss the Application for an increase in water and wastewater rates of Lake Utility Services, Inc. (the "Utility"). The meeting will be held at the following time and place:

Wednesday, April 27, 2011 6:00 p.m. Jenkins Auditorium 691 W. Montrose Street Clermont, Florida 34711

All persons who wish to comment are urged to be present at the beginning of the meeting, since the meeting may be adjourned early if no customers are present. One or more of the Commissioners of the Florida Public Service Commission may attend and participate in this meeting. The meeting will begin as scheduled and will continue until all of the customers have been heard.

The purpose of this meeting is to give customers and other interested persons an opportunity to offer comments to Commission Staff regarding the quality of service the Utility provides and to ask questions, and comment on the rates proposed in this docket as well as other issues. Commission Staff will be available to address and coordinate customers' comments and to assist members of the public. A representative from the Utility may also be in attendance. At the beginning of the meeting, procedures will be established for the order of comments. Commission Staff will have sign-up sheets, and customers will be called in the order that they sign up to speak.

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 hours 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 1-800-955-8771 (TDD) or 1-800-955-8770 (Voice).

# **Emergency Cancellation of Customer Meeting**

If a named storm or other disaster requires cancellation of the meeting, Commission staff will attempt to give timely direct notice to the parties. Notice of cancellation of the meeting will also be provided on the Commission's website (http://www.psc.state.fl.us/) under the Hot Topics link found at the bottom of the home page. Cancellation can also be confirmed by calling the Office of the General Counsel at 850-413-6199.

# **How To Contact The Commission**

Any person who wishes to comment or provide information to Commission Staff may do so at the meetings, either orally 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:

Office of the Commission Clerk Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

## CASE BACKGROUND

Lake Utility Services, Inc. (the "Utility") is a water and wastewater utility whose regional offices are located at 200 Weathersfield Avenue, Altamonte Springs, Florida 32714. The Utility's water and wastewater facilities are located in Lake County, Florida.

The Utility filed an application with the Florida Public Service Commission (the "Commission") for increase water and wastewater rates for its customers on December 27, 2010. The application was assigned Docket No. 100426-WS, and February 18, 2011, 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 a fair return on the Utility's investment in used and useful property for the public use. The Utility's rates were last reviewed in Docket No. 070693-WS, which culminated in Order No. PSC-09-0101-PAA-WS, issued February 16, 2009. The Utility has incurred substantial additional operating costs and capital investment.

As reported in its Minimum Filing Requirements ("MFRs") filed with its application to the Commission, the Utility's revenues are \$4,233,759, with operating expenses of \$3,580,981, for its water system, and revenues of \$2,096,964, with operating expenses of

\$1,605,602, for its wastewater system, resulting in a net operating income of \$652,778 for its water system, and net operating income of \$491,362 for its wastewater system. The rate increase application has been filed by the Utility because of inadequate earnings.

Copies of the MFRs will be available for inspection at the following locations:

Cooper Memorial Library 821 W. Minneola Avenue Clermont, FL 34711 Lake Utility Services, Inc. 200 Weathersfield Avenue Altamonte Springs, FL 32714

Hours of Operation: Monday to Thursday 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Friday 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Office Hours: Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

A "Rate Case Synopsis" will also be available, along with the application and MFRs. The test period for setting rates is the year ended June 30, 2010.

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

Schedule Item	<u>Due Date</u>
Staff Audit Report	March 21, 2011
Customer Meeting	April 27, 2011
Staff's Proposed Agency Action ("PAA")	June 29, 2011
Recommendation	
Commission Conference on PAA Rates	July 12, 2011
PAA Order	August 1, 2011
Protest Period Expires	August 22, 2011

# **CURRENT AND PROPOSED CHARGES**

The current and proposed rates and charges follow. These rates are subject to change based on information gathered at the customer meeting, further Staff review, and the final decision by the Commissioners.

## Water Service

Residential, Multi- Residential and General Service MONTHLY	Rates Prior to Filing	Utility's Requested Interim Rates	<u>Utility's</u> <u>Requested</u> <u>Final Rates</u>	Commission Approved Interim Rates (In effect as of March 6, 2011)
Base Facility Charge: Meter Size				
5/8"	\$8.48	\$11.31	\$ 11.74	\$11.08
1"	\$21.21	\$28.29	\$ 29.36	\$27.71
1-1/2"	\$42.41	\$56.56	\$ 58.71	\$55.40
2"	\$67.85	\$90.49	\$ 93.93	\$88.63
3"	\$135.71	\$180.99	\$187.88	\$177.27
4"	\$212.03	\$282.78	\$293.53	\$276.97
6"	\$424.06	\$565.55	\$587.07	\$553.95
8"	\$763.32	\$1,018.00	\$1,056.74	\$997.12
10"	\$1,229.79	\$1,640.10	\$1,702.52	\$1,606.45

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# Water Service (continued)

Residential and Multi- Residential – Consumption Charge (per 1,000 gallons)	Rates Prior to Filing	<u>Utility's</u> <u>Requested</u> <u>Interim</u> <u>Rates</u>	<u>Utility's</u> <u>Requested</u> <u>Final Rates</u>	Commission Approved Interim Rates
0 to 5,000 gallons	\$1.72	\$2.29	\$2.38	\$2.24
5,001 to 10,000 gallons	\$2.15	\$2.86	\$2.98	\$2.81
Over 10,000 gallons	\$2.58	\$3.44	\$3.57	\$3.37
General Service – Consumption Charge (per 1,000 gallons)	\$2.32	\$3.10	\$3.21	\$3.04

# Wastewater Service

<u>Residential</u> MONTHLY	Rates Prior to Filing	<u>Utility's</u> <u>Requested</u> <u>Final Rates</u>
Base Facility Charge: Meter Size		
All Sizes Residential	\$24.57	\$27.48
Gallonage Charge (per 1,000 gallons) (Maximum 10,000 gallons per month)	\$4.48	\$5.01
Multi-Residential and General Service MONTHLY	Rates Prior to Filing	<u>Utility's</u> <u>Requested</u> <u>Final Rates</u>
Base Facility Charge: Meter Size		
5/8" x 3/4"	\$ 24.57	\$ 27.48
1"	\$ 61.44	\$ 68.71

# Wastewater Service (continued)

Multi-Residential and General Service Base Facility Charge: Meter Size	Rates Prior to Filing	<u>Utility's</u> <u>Requested</u> <u>Final Rates</u>
1-1/2"	\$ 122.87	\$ 137.41
2"	\$ 196.60	\$ 219.86
3"	\$ 393.21	\$ 439.73
4"	\$ 614.38	\$ 687.06
6"	\$1,228.78	\$1,374.14
8"	\$2,211.79	\$2,473.44
10"	\$3,563.46	\$3,985.02
Gallonage Charge (per 1,000 gallons)	\$5.39	\$6.02
Irrigation Quality Reuse Service MONTHLY All Meter Sizes:	Rates Prior to Filing	<u>Utility's</u> <u>Requested</u> <u>Final Rates</u>
Residential Base Facility Charge	\$7.36	\$8.23
Multi-Residential and General Service Base Facility Charge	\$7.36	\$8.23
Residential, Multi- Residential and General Service – Consumption Charge (per 1,000 gallons)	\$1.10	\$1.23

# SERVICE AVAILABILITY CHARGES

The Utility is requesting a change to its service availability charges. A schedule of the Utility's service availability charges prior to filing and the Utility's proposed service availability charges follows.

# Service Availability Charges - Water Service

Type Charge	Charges Prior To Filing	Proposed Charges
Plant Capacity Charge (Lake Groves) Residential-per ERC (350 GPD)	\$707.00	\$1,783.00
All others-per Gallon/Day	\$ 2.02	\$ 5.09
Plant Capacity Charge (All Systems)		
Residential-per ERC (350 GPD)	\$270.00	\$1,783.00
All others-per Gallon/Day		\$ 5.09
Main Extension Charge (Lake Groves)		
Residential-per ERC (350 GPD)	Negotiable	\$ 800.00
others-per Gallon/Day	Negotiable	\$ 2.29
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All others-per Gallon/Day	\$ 330.00	\$ 330.00
Main Extension Charge (All Systems)	Ψ 1.77	Ψ 1.77
Residential-per ERC (350 GPD)	\$ 270.00	\$ 800.00
or per lot ( Front Footage)	\$ 270.00	Ψ 000.00
Multi-Family – per unit		
All others-per Gallon/Day		\$ 2.29
or per front foot		,
Meter Installation Charge (Lake Groves)**		
5/8" x 3/4"	\$ 67.00	\$ 150.00
1"	\$ 114.00	\$ 250.00
Over 1"	Actual Cost*	N/A
1-1/2"		\$ 450.00
2"		\$ 650.00
Over 2"		Actual Cost*
Backflow Prevention Installation Charge		
All meter sizes	Actual Cost*	Actual Cost*
Customer Connection (Tap-In) Charge		
All meter sizes	Actual Cost*	Actual Cost*
Plan Review Charge	Actual Cost*	Actual Cost*
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If you have any questions, please call the Utility's office at (800) 272-1919.

Lake Utility Services, Inc.

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# Robert Pedreira 15842 Green Cove Blvd Clermont, FL 34714

April 14, 2011

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#### Gentlemen:

As a resident of Lake County, I wish to express my strong opposition to both the interim and proposed water and waste water rate increases pending for Lake Utility Services, Inc.

Both Lake and Sumter counties are heavily populated by both senior retired residents living on fixed incomes and low to middle income families. The economy over the past 4 years has seen the escalating depreciated values of primary homes reducing net worth, increasing food prices, sky rocketing medical costs and gasoline prices approaching \$4.00 per gallon. During this same time due to the stock market and other investment vehicles these same citizens have had their investment portfolio value drop substantially, encountered wage increases of only 1% to 2% per year and their Social Security pensions have been frozen for 3 years. It is unimaginable to even consider the rates that have been proposed by Lake Utility Services at this time.

Lake Utility Services, Inc under it's present rate structure is enjoying a 15.4% profit margin in its water rates, a 23% profit margin in its water rates and an 18% profit margin overall. There are many companies both nationally and internationally that would love to have these operating profit margins.

Under the proposed rate increases, a home using 5,000 gallons would see an increase of 18.9% in their bill (excluding taxes), a home using 10,000 gallons would see an increase of 19.5% in their bill (excluding taxes), a home using 20,000 gallons would see an increase of 23.4% in their bill (excluding taxes) and a home using 30,000 gallons would see an increase of 26% in their bill (excluding taxes). I would also like to point out to the commission that if you water your lawn once a week, in order to at least maintain the home's value and keep it from deteriorating any further, the water usage is most likely to reach the 25,000 to 30,000 gallon mark or approximately a \$190.00 bill per month (excluding taxes).

I realize that the utility has probably encountered increases in chemicals and other areas. But as we have seen in other industries the major increases come in executive packages and bonuses and overall greed.

I strongly request that the commission rescind the interim rate increase that is being charged to the customers of Lake Utility Services, Inc. and that a refund of those extra charges is made immediately. I further urge the commission to grant an increase of no more than 5% on the prior rates effective August 1, 2011 with the stipulation that the utility cannot request any further increase in rates for a minimum period of 18 months. This is the only fair resolution to the struggling residents of Lake County who are trying to maintain their minimal standard of living.

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Sincerely,

Robert Pedreira

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Office of Public Counsel

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# **Diamond Williams**

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From:

Diamond Williams

Sent:

Wednesday, April 06, 2011 11:26 AM

To:

Ruth McHargue

Cc:

Matilda Sanders; Dorothy Menasco; Diane Hood

Subject:

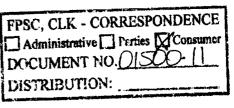
RE: Docket 100426

Thank you for this information. This attachment has been printed and placed in Docket Correspondence-Consumers and their Representatives, in Docket 100426-WS.

Thank you,

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----Original Message----

From: Ruth McHargue

Sent: Tuesday, April 05, 2011 2:51 PM

To: Diamond Williams

Cc: Matilda Sanders; Dorothy Menasco; Diane Hood

Subject: Docket 100426

# Customer correspondence

----Original Message----

From: contact@psc.state.fl.us [mailto:contact@psc.state.fl.us]

Sent: Monday, March 28, 2011 9:51 AM

To: Consumer Contact

Subject: E-Form Improper Billing TRACKING NUMBER: 28387

Complaint filed with PSC

Select County: LAKE

**CUSTOMER INFORMATION** 

Name: Robert Pierce Telephone: 352-432-5872 Email: rhinep@juno.com

Address: 15821 Bay Vista Dr Clermont 34714

## **BUSINESS INFORMATION**

Business Account Name: Robert Pierce

Account Number:

Address: 15821 Bay Vista Dr Clermont Florida 34714

# COMPLAINT INFORMATION

Complaint: Improper Billing against Utilities, Inc. of Florida

Details:

Litterally from the time I moved into my home in Weston Hills three years ago our water rates have gone up 1 to 2 times a year. I have a family and am on a tight budget as it is we cannont afford to pay constantly increasing rates on water and wastewater (which I don't believe we even use in our comunity)just Utilities Inc can maintain or increase it's profit margin in a tight economy. Rather than raising rates on it's cunstomers who have no viable alternatives to water Utilites Inc should do what the rest of us do and find effecienies in their buisness or simply show a loss. This rate hike is unfair and unjustified.

# **Diamond Williams**

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From:

Diamond Williams

Sent:

Monday, April 04, 2011 3:08 PM

To:

Ruth McHargue

Cc:

Dorothy Menasco; Matilda Sanders

Subject:

RE: To CLK Docket 090462

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Sent: Thursday, March 31, 2011 3:22 PM

To: Diamond Williams

Cc: Dorothy Menasco; Matilda Sanders Subject: FW: To CLK Docket 090462

Customer correspondence
----Original Message---From: Consumer Contact

Sent: Wednesday, March 30, 2011 4:44 PM

To: Ruth McHargue

Subject: To CLK Docket 090462

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# **Diamond Williams**

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From: Sent: Diamond Williams

Tuesday, March 22, 2011 8:11 AM

To:

Ruth McHargue

Cc: Subject: Dorothy Menasco; Matilda Sanders

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----Original Message-----From: Ruth McHargue

Sent: Monday, March 21, 2011 2:49 PM

To: Diamond Williams

Cc: Dorothy Menasco; Matilda Sanders Subject: FW: Docket 090462 to CLK

Customer correspondence

----Original Message-----From: Lynette Tenace

Sent: Monday, March 21, 2011 11:05 AM

To: Ruth McHargue

Subject: Docket 090462 to CLK

Complaint in CATS. Please see 999803C.

Lynette Tenace OPS Senior Clerk SSC-Public Service Commission P: 850-413-6131

F: 850-413-6131

----Original Message----

From: Consumer Contact

Sent: Monday, March 21, 2011 10:55 AM

To: Lynette Tenace

Subject: FW: E-Form Other Complaint TRACKING NUMBER: 28311

----Original Message----

From: contact@psc.state.fl.us [mailto:contact@psc.state.fl.us]

Sent: Sunday, March 20, 2011 8:48 AM

To: Consumer Contact

Subject: E-Form Other Complaint TRACKING NUMBER: 28311

Complaint filed with PSC

Select County: LAKE

**CUSTOMER INFORMATION** 

Name: Jamey Goldberg Telephone: 407-694-5488

Email: jameygoldberg@gmail.com

Address: 15723 Bay Vista Dr Clermont 34714

## **BUSINESS INFORMATION**

Business Account Name: Jamey Goldberg

Account Number:

Address: 15723 Bay Vista Dr Clermont Florida 34714

#### COMPLAINT INFORMATION

Complaint: Other Complaint against Utilities, Inc. of Florida

Details: Hello,

I am writing this complaint because I got another notice that Utilities Inc, wishes to raise my water rates yet again. This is the 3rd or 4th time in the last 4 years that they have raised the rates, and I fail to see why they keep going up at the rate they do. This time they wish to increase the rate 33%!!! My water/sewer bill is now routinely around \$100/month and that is with me watering my lawn twice a month. I am forced to do this by my homeowners's association so my yard doesn't die, otherwise I wouldn't even do that. My water/sewer bill is now more than my electricity bill and I have never heard of that before. To rub salt in the wounds, none of the houses in my neighborhood have 2 meters (one for reclaimed water) so watering your lawn also counts as water used for the more expensive "sewer" charge. Please help us and do not allow this rate increase. My water bill has more than doubled since 2005 with these rate increases from this company and there appears to be no end in site.

Sincerely, Jamey Goldberg

100426 -WS

From: Sent:

Diamond Williams

Wednesday, March 09, 2011 4:51 PM

To: Cc:

Ruth McHargue Dorothy Menasco; Matilda Sanders

Subject:

RE: To CLK Docket 090462

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Sent: Wednesday, March 09, 2011 2:43 PM

To: Diamond Williams

Cc: Dorothy Menasco; Matilda Sanders Subject: FW: To CLK Docket 090462

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----Original Message---From: Consumer Contact

Sent: Wednesday, March 09, 2011 1:50 PM

To: Ruth McHargue

Subject: To CLK Docket 090462

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----Original Message----

From: contact@psc.state.fl.us [mailto:contact@psc.state.fl.us]

Sent: Wednesday, March 09, 2011 5:59 AM

To: Consumer Contact

Subject: E-Form Other Complaint TRACKING NUMBER: 28211

Complaint filed with PSC

Select County: LAKE

**CUSTOMER INFORMATION** 

Name: Howard Clark Telephone: 352 223 4831

Email: howard14012@yahoo.com

Address: 2543 Meadow Oaks Loop Clermont 34714

#### **BUSINESS INFORMATION**

Business Account Name: Howard C Clark

Account Number: 7929510000

Address: 2543 Meadow Oaks Loop Clermont Fl 34714

#### COMPLAINT INFORMATION

Complaint: Other Complaint against Utilities, Inc. of Florida

Details:

I received a letter in the mail that they are asking for another rate increase. We have had several increases in the past that we were informed they did not need permission for .Now this. It is impossible to conserve as the St. Johns Water Mgmt. is encouraging us to do as we are now charged for wastewater whether we use it or not. I am on a fixed income and have not had an increase in two years, yet still my water bill continues to climb. In this economic climate I cannot believe that this is the right thing to do.

My water bill, \$101.00 this month, with no outside watering, is now running more then my electric. How can this be appropriate? I live in a community that requires me to have St. Augustine grass which we all know requires twice a week watering. If I let it die I will be charged a fine. Please tell me what my recourse is. I ask that you give consideration to these facts before you allow this company to continue to rape its customers. Maybe it would be more appropriate to tax the Niagara Bottling company that the powers that be approved.

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From:

Diamond Williams

Sent:

Tuesday, March 08, 2011 3:55 PM

To:

Ruth McHarque

Cc:

Dorothy Menasco; Matilda Sanders; Diane Hood; Lynette Tenace

Subject:

RE: To CLK Docket 090462

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----Original Message-----From: Ruth McHargue

Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 11:39 AM

To: Diamond Williams

Cc: Dorothy Menasco; Matilda Sanders; Diane Hood; Lynette Tenace

Subject: FW: To CLK Docket 090462

Customer correspondence

----Original Message-----From: Consumer Contact

Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 11:29 AM

To: Ruth McHargue

Subject:

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----Original Message----

From: contact@psc.state.fl.us [mailto:contact@psc.state.fl.us]

Sent: Monday, March 07, 2011 2:52 PM

To: Consumer Contact

Subject: E-Form Other Complaint TRACKING NUMBER: 28189

Complaint filed with PSC

Select County: LAKE

**CUSTOMER INFORMATION** 

Name: Cindy Desso

Telephone: 352-243-3037

Email:

Address: 2736 Wilshire Road Clermont 34714

**BUSINESS INFORMATION** 

Business Account Name: Leonard Desso

Account Number:

Address: 2736 Wilshire Road Clermont FL 34714

#### COMPLAINT INFORMATION

Complaint: Other Complaint against Utilities, Inc. of Florida

Details:

I think that our Government at City, State, County, and Nationwide need to start doing something about all of the utilities raising their rates. Utilities Inc. has increased our water at least 3 times in the past year. They are notifying us again that they are going to increase it again. Also our waste water portion is extremely high. It is based on water usage, but only a small percentage of that water is actually going into the sewage. Most of the water is used for outside watering, washing, etc. I am paying for water a base charge of 8.48, plus 1.72/1000 gallons for 1st 5000, plus 2.15/1000 gallons for the remaining gallons. Then they charge a base fee for sewage which is 24.57, plus 4.48/1000 gallons of water usage. With the economy the way it is how come all the utilities, insurance companies, gas, and everything else can raise all there fees but most people aren't getting any increases, ie: Social Security, etc. Something needs to be done.

100426-WS

From:

Diamond Williams

Sent:

Tuesday, March 08, 2011 3:54 PM

To:

Ruth McHargue

Cc:

Dorothy Menasco; Matilda Sanders

Subject:

FW: To CLK Docket 090462

Attachments: E-Form Other Complaint TRACKING NUMBER: 28187; E-Form Other Complaint TRACKING

NUMBER: 28192

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Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 9:59 AM

To: Ruth McHargue

Subject: To CLK Docket 090462

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From:

Consumer Contact

Sent:

Monday, March 07, 2011 2:11 PM

To:

Consumer Contact

Subject:

E-Form Other Complaint TRACKING NUMBER: 28187

### Complaint filed with PSC

Select County: LAKE

**CUSTOMER INFORMATION** 

Name: Margaret Grooms Telephone: 352-459-5255

Email: handsnotfull@gmail.com

Address: 2552 Meadow Oaks Loop Clermont 34714

#### **BUSINESS INFORMATION**

Business Account Name: Margaret Grooms

Account Number:

Address: 2552 Meadow Oaks Loop Clermont Florida 34714

#### COMPLAINT INFORMATION

Complaint: Other Complaint against Utilities, Inc. of Florida

Details:

Our water rate has increased again, consequently my water bills have gone from approx. \$50/m in 2008 to \$70/mo in 2009, to \$90/mo in 2010 to well over \$150 currently. I am confused as to how this is allowed, especially when so many people protest the rate raise. We complain when we're invited to complain but the rate increases are approved anyhow. My income hasn't increased in two years due to the economy yet our utility costs keep rising. Humans need clean, safe water to survive, it needs to be made affordable.

From:

Consumer Contact

Sent:

Monday, March 07, 2011 7:09 PM

To:

Consumer Contact

Subject:

E-Form Other Complaint TRACKING NUMBER: 28192

#### Complaint filed with PSC

Select County: LAKE

**CUSTOMER INFORMATION** 

Name: Linda Michel Telephone: 352-874-3192 Email: lmfl0820@aol.com

Address: 15820 Autumn Glen Ave Clermont 34714

#### **BUSINESS INFORMATION**

Business Account Name: Linda Michel

Account Number: 5314600000

Address: 15820 Autumn Glen Ave Clermont Florida 34714

#### COMPLAINT INFORMATION

Complaint: Other Complaint against Utilities, Inc. of Florida

Details:

I just received a notice that Utilities Inc wants to raise their rates again. Just last year they raised their water rates by approximately 125%. When will it stop? Please don't let this happen.

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Subject: Rate Increase, Utilities Inc, Docket No. 100426-WS

I must protest your continued granting of increases in water and sewer rates to Utilities Inc. Since spring of 2009 the commission has granted two increases. My monthly charge from Utilities Inc has increased on average 60%. Far more than we were told. My average bill used to be 60 to 75 Dollars and is now between 120 and 180. This is not acceptable in today's economic climate. It's hard to believe Utilities Inc. has had major expense increases to warrant this type of an increase, again.

I've attached two bills which show the dramatic increases especially in the residential wastewater service.

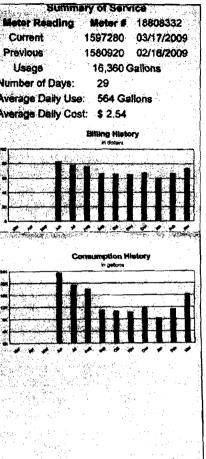
I urge you to deny any further increases to Utilities, Inc and to hold hearings here in Lake county and invite the residences to the hearings so they may give you further information concerning the rates and the effects on their monthly bills.

Frank Zeuner 3235 Callerton Road Clermont, Florida 34714



Lake Utility Services, Inc Phone: (407) 869-1919 Collections: (800) 272-1919 Customer Service: (800) 272-1919 www.ulwater.com

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From:

Diamond Williams

Sent:

Tuesday, March 15, 2011 11:51 AM

To:

Ruth McHargue

Cc:

Dorothy Menasco; Matilda Sanders

Subject: RE: To CLK docket no. 100426-ws

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Sent: Tuesday, March 15, 2011 11:23 AM

To: Diamond Williams

Cc: Dorothy Menasco; Matilda Sanders Subject: FW: To CLK docket no. 100426-ws

Customer correspondence

From: Consumer Contact

Sent: Tuesday, March 15, 2011 11:09 AM

To: Ruth McHarque

Subject: To CLK docket no. 100426-ws

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From: Anne Harris [mailto:dottiegray@aol.com] Sent: Tuesday, March 15, 2011 10:51 AM

To: Consumer Contact

Subject: docket no. 100426-ws

I would like to express my opposition to the proposed rate increase by Lake Utility Services Inc. This the latest in a series of rate increases in a relatively short period of time. My monthly water bill has skyrocketed.

What could be the possible justification?

Keith Harris 11341 Preston cove Rd. Clermont 34711 407-373751 har3k@aol.com

# James E. Hassett 10340 Northglen Dr. Clermont, FL 34711

Telephone: 352-241-4260 e-mail: jameshassett@earthlink.net

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RE: Docket No. 100426-WS

To whom it may concern;

Ordinarily, I would not be writing to object to a utility increase, since, for the most part, such requests have been reasonable.

However, the "Requested <u>Interim Rates</u>" by Lake Utility Services, Inc. are outrageous. Furthermore, the "Commission Approved Interim Rates" are nearly as outrageous.

I would think that in this time of economic uncertainty with oil/gasoline prices climbing and food prices soaring, both, in part caused by mandated use of ethanol, along with other ramifications still lingering from the housing market crash, that some restraint should be shown.

30+% is not a marker of restraint.

I'm in hopes that a future letter concerning Lake Utility's rate increase request will show that they and the FPSC realize that such a large increase is out of line, not only at this time, but at any time.

Sincerely yours, Lames E. Hassell

James E. Hassett

Jim & Vanessa Hassett 10340 Northglen Drive Clermont, FL 34711-7822

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TO: The Florida Public Service Commission

RE: Docket No. 100426-WS

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If the Commission finds in favor of Lake Utilities Inc and allows the increase as stated, the water portion of my bill for this month would increase by \$3.84. That's not an exorbitant amount and I don't have an objection if it is necessary to maintain the system and make a reasonable profit. However, a lot of utilities, gasoline producers / refiners and other products-of-necessity companies, who have a monopoly or semi-monopoly, are gouging consumers.

Water and waste water base charges are already obscene, especially when I'm away six months in the summer and I must leave my water on for the sprinklers to water twice per week for 15 minutes and my bill is \$100.00 or more monthly. All of this water goes into the ground and never goes through the pipes to the treatment plant, yet I'm being charged for waste water treatment. If I ran a shunt around my water meter to get free water, I would be stealing and be prosecuted. What's the difference when the utility company takes money from me for a service I did not use?

I hope the Commission vets all of these increase requests to urge some in-house budget reductions before passing costs on to consumers.

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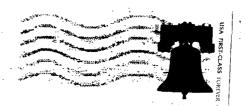
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# **Diamond Williams**

From:

Diamond Williams

Sent:

Friday, March 11, 2011 8:47 AM

To:

Ruth McHargue

Cc:

Dorothy Menasco; Matilda Sanders

Subject:

FW: FW: To CLK Docket 100426

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Thank you for this information. These attachments have been printed and placed in Docket

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----Original Message-----From: Ruth McHargue

Sent: Thursday, March 10, 2011 2:44:44 PM

To: Diamond Williams

Subject: FW: To CLK Docket 100426

Customer correspondence

----Original Message-----From: Consumer Contact

Sent: Thursday, March 10, 2011 2:27:36 PM

To: Ruth McHargue

Subject: To CLK Docket 100426

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Dear Commissioners:

2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

As you know Lake County residents recently received a notice of water rate increases of nearly 33%.

I am not too sure how to write this letter, but the primary question I have for you is why? Florida residents, along with many residents in this country are suffering from these difficult financial times. We have a Federal administration that has decided there is NO inflation, although food, fuel and now water costs are skyrocketing. Why did you allow Utilities, Inc. to receive this increase? Did you decide they are doing everything possible to control costs? Is your intent to force residents not to have drinking water? Do you want even more Florida residents to sell, or worse, abandon their homes because we cannot afford these increases?

Major companies have had to tighten their belt to meet their objectives, but Utilities, Inc. just can march to the FPSC and ask for a rate increase and get it. What are they doing to save money? I live in a neighborhood that has been promised recycled water for my irrigation system for 8 years. We are not in our Florida home for a couple of months in the summer and my water bill is over \$90 per month. That is \$90 and NOT living there.

We just cannot continue to absorb these costs. My wife and I are on fixed incomes from the SSA and are barely making ends meet. A 33% increase in our water bill is objectionable and I am requesting the data you used to make such a decision.

I am copying this letter to my State Representative and Senator in hopes an investigation is warranted.

Sincerely

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# RECEIVED-FPSC 13031 Colonnade Circle

Clermont, Florida 34711

Office of Commission Clerk Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Re: Docket No. 100426-WS



To Whom it May Concern,

The purpose of this correspondence is to complain about the tremendous rate increase that we have experienced from Lake Utility Services, Inc.

When my wife and I first moved into our new home on 13031 Colonnade Circle, Clermont, Florida 3 years ago (November 2007), our water bill was around \$30 per month. Now it runs over \$200 per month. This is only for water, we pay an additional bill to the City of Clermont for sewer.

Now Lake Utility Services, Inc. have sent me a notice of another rate increase! Due to the present economy, I have lost my job and I am now unemployed. My wife's job is our only source of income. With other bills (gas, food, etc.) rising, it is very difficult paying such an enormous water bill.

If you can look into this matter, it would be most appreciated.

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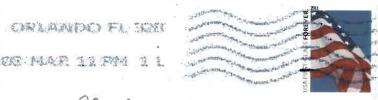
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To whom it may concern:

On March 3, 2011, I received a notice of increase to my water supply. Upon speaking to neighbors in the area, I have found that not all of them have received any notice of increase. There have been 7 increases since June, 2008. I am 63 years old, retired and disabled and these increases are taking its toll. I hope the commission disapproves the final rate increase. This is the first time that I had to complain. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

RICHARD MADERO

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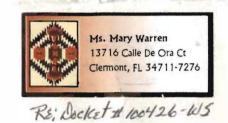
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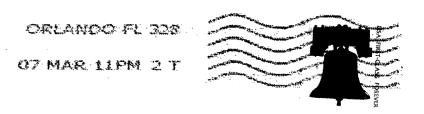
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## **Diamond Williams**

From:

Diamond Williams

Sent:

Tuesday, March 08, 2011 3:53 PM

To:

Ruth McHargue

Cc: Subject: Dorothy Menasco; Matilda Sanders

RE: To CLK Docket 100426

Thank you for this information. This attachment has been printed and placed in Docket Correspondence-Consumers and their Representatives, in Docket 100426-WS.

Thank you,

Diamond Williams
Comm. Deputy Clerk I
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Email: diwillia@psc.state.fl.us

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Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 10:04 AM

To: Diamond Williams

Cc: Dorothy Menasco; Matilda Sanders Subject: FW: To CLK Docket 100426

Customer correspondence

----Original Message-----From: Consumer Contact

Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 10:02 AM

To: Ruth McHargue

Subject: To CLK Docket 100426

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----Original Message----

From: contact@psc.state.fl.us [mailto:contact@psc.state.fl.us]

Sent: Monday, March 07, 2011 6:58 PM

To: Consumer Contact

Subject: E-Form Other Complaint TRACKING NUMBER: 28191

Complaint filed with PSC

Select County: LAKE

**CUSTOMER INFORMATION** 

Name: John Day

Telephone: 9145882924

Email: Jddadof6@hotmail.com

Address: 18 Harriman rd Carmel ny 34714

#### **BUSINESS INFORMATION**

Business Account Name: John day

Account Number:

Address: 15616 bay vista drive Clermont Fl 34714

### COMPLAINT INFORMATION

Complaint: Other Complaint against Lake Utility Services, Inc.

Details:

They keep raising their rates and the wastewater base is ridiculous I don't live there all year round and I'm paying \$100 a month for the months I'm just watering my lawn. They are going to force me to sell my home!!!! I can't afford any more price increases let alone the fact that I'm paying for wastewater I'm not using. All my water is going into the lawn!

#### **Diamond Williams**

100426-WS

From: Dorothy Menasco

Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 11:23 AM

To: Dale Buys

Cc: Bart Fletcher; Andrew Maurey; Diamond Williams

Subject: RE: Consumer Correspondence

Thank you, Dale. We will place the correspondence in consumer correspondence for Docket

100426 (DN 01500-11).

From: Dale Buys

Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 11:18 AM

To: Dorothy Menasco

**Cc:** Bart Fletcher; Andrew Maurey **Subject:** RE: Consumer Correspondence

My guess is that the customer speaks to LUSI; please put it in Docket No. 100426

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To: Dale Buys

Subject: FW: Consumer Correspondence

Oops, forgot the attachment!

From: Dorothy Menasco

Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 11:13 AM

To: Dale Buys

Subject: Consumer Correspondence

Good morning, Dale,

We have received the attached correspondence from Waldemar Rivera from Clermont, FL. We know it's consumer correspondence, but we're not sure what utility he's writing in reference to. Clermont is in Lake County and we currently have two dockets open for rate increases in Lake County. One of them is Aqua 100330 and the other is LUSI 100426. We would normally put it in undocketed consumer correspondence. However, since there is a 50/50 chance that this is related to LUSI, I wanted to check with you to see if we should put it in Docket 100426. I spoke with Rhonda Hicks and she said she thought it was LUSI and not Aqua. If you think we should put it in Docket 100426, we will do so. If not, we will be glad to put it in undocketed consumer correspondence.

Thank you for your help!

Dorothy Menasco
Deputy Clerk Supervisor
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	Dear Sir/Madam:
	Today, I received a Notice of Interim
	Rate increases, pending approval of final rate increases,
	as approved by the commission, average over
	30%. Any Utility, enjoying monopolistic status,
	that requires a 30% increase in nates, from
DOCUMENT NUMBER-CATT  0   500 MAR-7 =  PPSC-COMMISSION CLERK	thoroughly examined. Rather than approve
- 50 - 50	such an incredible increase in rates—
NUMI NO N	one that would impose significant
ON C	impact on take county nesidents—
7 =	the Public Service Commission would
	better serve the public by questioning
	the operating efficiency and management

skills at habe Utilities. Further, the nate increase notice necessed from habe Utilities offers not the slightest hint for the justification for their outrageous request. Just, here's your notice pal, now payup. Talk about arrogance.

We, the residents of take County, are waiting to see how well the Public Service Commission serves the public in this matter.

Yours truly

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