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- b. Docket No.: 110264-WS; Application for increase in water and wastewater rates in Pasco County by Labrador Utilities, Inc.

- c. Labrador Utilities, Inc.

- d. 1 page letter; 1 page Notice of Filing; 1 page Affidavit of Mailing; and Combined Customer Notice is 5 pages

- a. Filing Affidavit evidencing the Combined Customer Notice has been sent to the Utility's customers

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VIA E-FILING

Ann Cole, Commission Clerk
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2540 Shumard Oak Blvd.
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re: Docket No. 110264-WS; Application for increase in water and wastewater rates in
Pasco County by Labrador Utilities, Inc.
Our File No.: 30057.199

Dear Ms. Cole:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced docket is Labrador Utilities, Inc.'s Notice of Filing the Affidavit of Mailing evidencing that the Combined Customer Notice attached thereto has been mailed to the Utility's customers.

Should you or the Staff have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to give me a call.

Very truly yours,

MARTIN S. FRIEDMAN
For the Firm

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Enclosures

cc: Bart Fletcher, Division of Economic Regulation (w/enclosures) (via e-mail)
Martha Brown, Esquire, Office of General Counsel (w/enclosures) (via e-mail)
Stephen C. Reilly, Associate Public Counsel (w/enclosures) (via e-mail)

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Application of
LABRADOR UTILITIES, INC.
for an increase in water and wastewater
rates in Pasco County, Florida

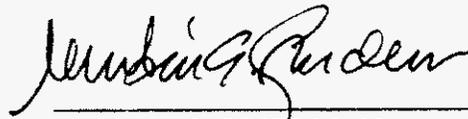
DOCKET NO. 110264-WS

NOTICE OF FILING

Applicant, LABRADOR UTILITIES, INC., by and through its undersigned attorneys, hereby gives notice of filing in the above-referenced docket the Affidavit of Mailing evidencing that the Combined Customer Notice has been mailed to the customers of Labrador Utilities, Inc.

Respectfully submitted this 9th day of
January, 2012, by:

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AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING

STATE OF ILLINOIS

COUNTY OF COOK

Before me, the undersigned authority, authorized to administer oaths and take acknowledgments, personally appeared Kirsten Markwell who, after being duly sworn on oath, did depose on oath and say that she is a Manager of Regulatory Accounting at Utilities, Inc., the sole shareholder of Labrador Utilities, Inc., and that on December 20, 2011, she did send by regular U.S. Mail, a copy of the Combined Customer Notice, attached hereto, to all customers of the utility.

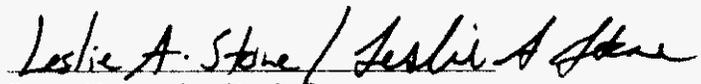
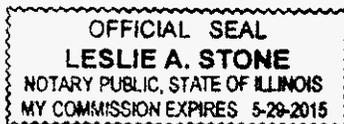
FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.



Print Name: Kirsten E. Markwell

Print Title: Manager, Regulatory Accounting

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 31st day of December, 2011, by Kirsten E. Markwell, who is personally known to me.



Print Name: Leslie A. Stone

NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires: May 29, 2015

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

**INITIAL CUSTOMER NOTICE
AND
NOTICE OF CUSTOMER MEETING**

TO THE CUSTOMERS OF
LABRADOR UTILITIES, INC.
AND
ALL OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS

RE: DOCKET NO. 110264-WS

APPLICATION FOR INCREASE IN WATER AND WASTEWATER RATES IN
PASCO COUNTY BY LABRADOR UTILITIES, INC.

DECEMBER 20, 2011

NOTICE is hereby given that the Staff of the Florida Public Service Commission will conduct a customer meeting to discuss Labrador Utilities, Inc.'s Application for a rate increase. The meeting will be held at the following time and place:

6:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 18, 2012
Forest Lake Estates Community Clubhouse
6429 Forest Lake Drive
Zephyrhills, FL 33540

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, the proposed increase, and to ask questions, and comment on the rates included in this Notice 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. Written comments may also be sent to this address:

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

BACKGROUND

Labrador Utilities, Inc. (the "Utility") is a water and wastewater utility whose corporate offices are located at 200 Weathersfield Avenue, Altamonte Springs, Florida. The Utility's water and wastewater facilities are located in Pasco County, Florida.

The Utility filed an application with the Florida Public Service Commission (the "Commission") for increased water and wastewater rates for its Pasco County customers on August 31, 2011. The application was assigned Docket No. 110264-WS, and October 31, 2011, was established as the official date of filing.

As reported in its Minimum Filing Requirements ("MFRs") filed with its application to the Commission, the revenues per books are \$244,730, with operating expenses per books of \$486,321, for its water system, resulting in a water net operating income of *negative* \$241,591, per books, before adjustments. For its wastewater system, the Utility's revenues per books are \$439,110, with operating expenses per books of \$149,462, resulting in a wastewater net operating income of \$289,648, per books, before adjustments. The rate increase application has been filed by the Utility because of inadequate earnings.

Copies of the MFRs, the Rate Case Synopsis, and the Utility's application will be available for inspection at the following locations:

Regency Park Branch Library 9701 Little Road New Port Richey, FL 34654	<u>Office Hours:</u> Monday and Tuesday: 12:00 noon to 9:00 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday: 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Friday and Saturday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Sunday (Closed)
Labrador Utilities, Inc. 200 Weathersfield Avenue Altamonte Springs, FL 32714 (800) 272-1919	<u>Office Hours:</u> 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 historical average thirteen-month period ended December 31, 2010.

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

<u>Schedule Item</u>	<u>Due Date</u>
Staff Audit Report	12/02/2011
Utility's Response to Audit	12/12/2011
Customer Meeting	01/18/2012
Staff's Recommendation on PAA	03/15/2012
Agenda Conference on PAA Rates	03/27/2012
PAA Order	04/16/2012
Protest Period Expires	05/07/2012
Consummating Order Entered	05/10/2012

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

<u>Residential Service</u> Monthly	<u>Present Rates</u>	<u>Utility's Requested</u> <u>Final Rates</u>
Base-Facility Charge - All meter sizes:	\$9.16	\$13.07
Gallonge charge - per 1,000 gallons	\$6.78	\$9.67
<u>General Service</u>	<u>Present Rates</u>	<u>Utility's Requested</u> <u>Final Rates</u>
Base Facility Charge <u>By Meter Size:</u>		
5/8" x 3/4"	\$9.16	\$13.07
3/4"	\$13.75	\$19.62
1"	\$22.91	\$32.68
1 1/2"	\$45.81	\$65.35
2"	\$73.30	\$104.57
3"	\$146.61	\$209.15
4"	\$229.06	\$326.78
6"	\$458.14	\$653.58
Gallonge Charge (per 1,000 gallons)	\$6.78	\$9.67
<u>Irrigation</u>	<u>Present Rates</u>	<u>Utility's Requested</u> <u>Final Rates</u>
Base facility charge		
2" Meter	\$73.30	\$104.57
Gallonge per 1,000 gallons	\$6.78	\$9.67

WASTEWATER SERVICE

<u>Residential Service</u> Monthly	<u>Present Rates</u>	<u>Utility's Requested</u> <u>Final Rates</u>
Base-Facility Charge - All meter sizes:	\$22.38	\$27.59
Gallonge charge - per 1,000 gallons (Max 6,000 gallons)	\$9.98	\$12.31
<u>General Service</u>	<u>Present Rates</u>	<u>Utility's Requested</u> <u>Final Rates</u>

Base Facility Charge		
<u>By Meter Size:</u>		
5/8" x 3/4"	\$22.38	\$27.59
3/4"	\$33.58	\$41.40
1"	\$55.96	\$69.00
1 1/2"	\$111.91	\$137.99
2"	\$179.07	\$220.79
3"	\$358.14	\$441.59
4"	\$559.59	\$689.97
6"	\$1,119.18	\$1,379.95
Gallage Charge (per 1,000 gallons)	\$11.98	\$14.77

SERVICE AVAILABILITY CHARGES

The Utility is not requesting any changes to its service availability charges. Even though not requested to do so, the Commission may review and adjust service availability charges.

MISCELLANEOUS SERVICE CHARGES

The Utility is not requesting any changes to its miscellaneous service charges. Even though not requested to do so, the Commission may review and adjust miscellaneous service charges.

Written comments regarding the Utility=s service or the requested final rate increases may be sent to the Commission at the following address:

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

All comments should refer to Docket No. 110264-WS, which is the docket number that has been assigned to this case. Complaints regarding service may be made to the Commission's Division of Regulatory Compliance and Consumer Assistance at the following toll-free number: 1-800-342-3552.

If you have any questions, please call the Utility=s office at (800) 272-1919.

Labrador Utilities, Inc.