

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Application for an increase in
water rates in Franklin County by
WATER MANAGEMENT SERVICES, INC.

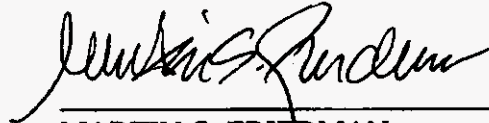
Docket No. 110200-WU

NOTICE OF FILING

Applicant, WATER MANAGEMENT SERVICES, INC., by and through its undersigned attorneys, hereby gives notice of filing, in the above-referenced docket, the Affidavit of Mailing evidencing that the Combine Notice was sent by regular mail on April 3, 2012 to all customers of the Utility.

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

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Cc: Martin Friedman
Subject: Docket No. 110200-WU; Application for increase in water rates in Franklin County by Water Management Services, Inc.

Attachments: NOF AOM (Combined Notice).pdf

- a) Martin S. Friedman, Esquire
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- b) Docket No. 110200-WU
Application for increase in water rates in Franklin County by Water Management Services, Inc.
- c) Water Management Services, Inc.
- d) 8 pages
- e) Notice of Filing the Affidavit of Mailing of the Combined Notice.

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AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF LEON

Before me, the undersigned authority, authorized to administer oaths and take acknowledgments, personally appeared Gene Brown, who, after being duly sworn on oath, did depose on oath and say that he is the President of Water Management Services, Inc., and that on April 3, 2012, he did send by regular U.S. Mail, a copy of the Combined Notice, attached hereto, to all customers of the utility.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.



Print Name: Gene Brown
Print Title: President

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 4th day of April, 2012, by Gene Brown, who is personally known to me.



Print Name:
NOTARY PUBLIC
My Commission Expires



BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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

**TO THE CUSTOMERS OF
WATER MANAGEMENT SERVICES, INC.
AND
ALL OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS**

RE: DOCKET NO. 110200-WU

**APPLICATION FOR INCREASE IN WATER RATES IN
FRANKLIN COUNTY BY WATER MANAGEMENT SERVICES, INC.**

APRIL 3, 2012

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

6:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 25, 2012
St. George Island Volunteer Fire Department
324 E. Pine Avenue
Eastpoint, FL 32328
(The location is on St. George Island)

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.floridapsc.com>) 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

Water Management Services, Inc. (the "Utility") is a water utility whose corporate offices are located at 250 John Knox Road, #4, Tallahassee, Florida 32303. The Utility's water facilities are located in Franklin County, Florida.

The Utility filed an application with the Florida Public Service Commission (the "Commission") for increased water rates for its Franklin County customers on November 7, 2011. The application was assigned Docket No. 110200-WU, and February 17, 2012, 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 \$1,291,712, with operating expenses per books of \$1,436,783, resulting in net operating income of *negative* \$145,071, 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:

Water Management Services, Inc.
139 Gulf Beach Drive West
St. George Island, FL 32328
(850)917-2648
Business Hours: Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Administrative Office
 Water Management Services, Inc.
 250 John Knox Road, Suite 4
 Tallahassee, FL 32303
 (850)668-0440
 Business Hours: Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 5:00p.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>
Customer Meeting	04/25/2012
Staff's Recommendation on PAA	06/27/2012
Agenda Conference on PAA Rates	07/10/2012
PAA Order	07/30/2012
Protest Period Expires	08/20/2012
Consummating Order Entered	08/23/2012

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>Rates at Time of Filing</u>	<u>Commission Approved Interim Rates</u>	<u>Utility's Requested Final Rates</u>
Base-Facility Charge - By Meter Size			
5/8" x 3/4"	\$27.79	\$29.96	\$43.06
3/4"	\$41.69	\$44.95	\$64.59
1"	\$69.49	\$74.92	\$107.66
1 1/2"	\$138.97	\$149.83	\$215.31

Gallage charge - per 1,000 gallons			
0-8,000 gallons	\$3.30	\$3.56	\$5.11
8,001 - 15,000 gallons	\$4.12	\$4.44	\$6.38
Over 15,000 gallons	\$4.96	\$5.35	\$7.68
<u>General Service</u>	<u>Rates at Time of Filing</u>	<u>Commission Approved Interim Rates</u>	<u>Utility's Requested Final Rates</u>
Base Facility Charge <u>By Meter Size:</u>			
5/8" x 3/4"	\$27.79	\$29.96	\$43.06
3/4"	\$41.69	\$44.95	\$64.59
1"	\$69.49	\$74.92	\$107.66
1 1/2"	\$138.97	\$149.83	\$215.31
2"	\$222.36	\$239.74	\$344.51
3" Compound	\$416.92	\$449.50	\$645.95
3" Turbine	\$486.42	\$524.43	\$753.63
4" Compound	\$694.88	\$749.18	\$1,076.60
4" Turbine	\$833.84	\$889.00	\$1,291.90
6" Compound	\$1,389.73	\$1,498.33	\$2,153.16
6" Turbine	\$1,737.17	\$1,872.92	\$2,691.46
8" Compound	\$2,223.59	\$2,397.34	\$3,445.09
8" Turbine	\$2,501.52	\$2,696.99	\$3,875.69
10" Compound	\$3,196.40	\$3,446.17	\$4,952.30
10" Turbine	\$4,030.24	\$4,345.17	\$6,244.19
12" Compound	\$5,975.88	\$6,442.84	\$9,258.64
Gallage Charge (per 1,000 gallons)	\$4.70	\$5.07	\$7.28

SERVICE AVAILABILITY CHARGES

Please note that the requested service availability charges are to be paid by new, not existing customers.

Type of Charge	Charges Prior To Filing	Proposed Charges
Plant Capacity Charge		
Residential-per ERC (350 GPD)	\$845.00	\$9,079.47
All others-per Gallon/Day	\$ 2.41	\$ 25.94
Meter Installation Charge		
5/8" x 3/4" - residential	\$ 250.00	\$ 400.00
All Others	Actual Cost	Actual Cost
* Actual cost is equal to the total cost incurred for services rendered.		

MISCELLANEOUS SERVICE CHARGES

The Utility is requesting the following changes to its miscellaneous service charges:

Late Payment Charge –This charge will be levied when a customer’s bill is not paid within 20 days, and is therefore delinquent. --- \$5.00

An NSF Check charges that may be levied pursuant to Section 68.065 and Section 832.08(5), Florida Statutes, when a customer pays by check and that check is dishonored by the customer’s banking institution. The Utility will charge the amount set by Section 68.065 and Section 832.08(5), Florida Statutes, as may be amended. As currently set forth in Section 832.08(5), the following fees may be assessed:

- 1) \$25, if the face value does not exceed \$50,
- 2) \$30, if the face value exceeds \$50 but does not exceed \$300,
- 3) \$40, if the face value exceeds \$300,
- 4) or five percent (5%) of the face amount of the check, whichever is greater.

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. 110200-WU, which is the docket number that has been assigned to this case. Complaints regarding service may be made to the Commission's Division of Safety, Reliability and Consumer Assistance at the following toll-free number: 1-800-342-3552.

If you have any questions, please call the Utility's Administrative Office at (850) 668-0440 between the hours of 8:30am to 5pm, Monday through Friday.

Water Management Services, Inc.