

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Application for increase
in water rates in Charlotte County
by Bocilla Utilities, Inc.

Docket No. 160065-WU

NOTICE OF FILING

Applicant, BOCILLA UTILITIES, INC., by and through its undersigned attorneys, hereby gives notice of filing in the above-referenced docket, of the Affidavit of Mailing, evidencing that the Customer Meeting Notices were mailed to its customers on September 16, 2016.

Respectfully submitted this 23rd day of
September, 2016, by:

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AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF CHARLOTTE

Before me, the undersigned authority, authorized to administer oaths and take acknowledgments, personally appeared Craig Noden, who, after being duly sworn on oath, did depose on oath and say that on behalf of Bocilla Utilities, Inc. ("Utility"), on September 16, 2016, he did send by regular U.S. Mail, a copy of the Customer Meeting Notice, attached hereto, to all customers of the Utility.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.



Print Name: Craig Noden
Print Title: President

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 20th day of September, 2016, by Craig Noden, who is personally known to me or has produced _____ as identification.

Charlene Dorio
Print Name: Charlene Dorio
NOTARY PUBLIC
My Commission Expires: - 3-6-17



PROCEEDINGS

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Resolved, That the following be the members of the

Executive Committee for the year 1912, to-wit:

President, _____

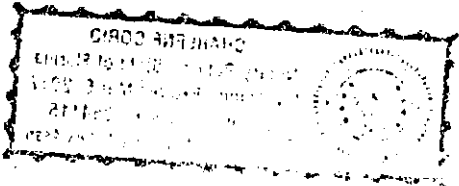
Vice-President, _____

Secretary, _____

Treasurer, _____

Resolved, That the following be the members of the

Executive Committee for the year 1913, to-wit:



BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
NOTICE OF CUSTOMER MEETING
TO THE CUSTOMERS OF BOCILLA UTILITIES, INC.
AND
ALL OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS

RE: DOCKET NO. 160065-WU

APPLICATION FOR INCREASE IN WATER RATES IN
CHARLOTTE COUNTY BY BOCILLA UTILITIES, INC.

DATED: September 16, 2016

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

Wednesday, October 5, 2016, 6:00 p.m.
Tringali Park Community Center, Unit 1
3460 South McCall Road
Englewood, Florida 34224

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 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.

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 General Counsel at 850-413-6199.

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 five calendar days prior to the meeting. Any person who is hearing or speech impaired should contact the Commission by using the Florida Relay Service, which can be reached at 1-800-955-8771 (TDD) or 1-800-955-8770 (Voice).

PURPOSE

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 recommended rate increase, and to ask questions and comment on staff's preliminary rates included in this notice as well as other issues. Staff members will summarize the Utility's filing; the preliminary work accomplished, and answer questions to the extent possible. A representative from the Utility has also been invited to respond to questions.

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 to speak in the order that they sign up. Staff will be available to coordinate customers' comments and to assist members of the public.

Any person who wishes to comment or provide information to staff may do so at the meetings, orally or in writing. Written comments may also be sent to the Commission at the address given at the end of this notice. Your letter will be placed in the correspondence file of this docket. You may also submit comments through the Commission's toll-free facsimile line at 1-800-511-0809.

BACKGROUND

Bocilla Utilities, Inc. (the "Utility") is a water utility whose offices are located at 7025-A Placida Road, Englewood, Florida 34224. The Utility's water facilities are located in Charlotte County, Florida.

On May 24, 2016, the Utility filed an application with the Florida Public Service Commission (the "Commission") for an increase in its water rates to its customers in Charlotte County based on an historical test year ending December 31, 2015. Final rates and interim rates are based upon the same test year. The application is assigned Docket No. 160065-WU and July 19, 2016 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 an opportunity to earn a fair return on the Utility's investment in used and useful property for the public use. The rate of return on equity requested in this proceeding is 10.5%. The overall rate of return requested is 5.92%. According to the Utility's books, Bocilla Utilities, Inc. states that its adjusted current overall rate of return without a rate increase is a negative 4.08%. This is the Utility's first rate filing since it has been in operation.

CURRENT, INTERIM AND PROPOSED WATER RATES

<u>Residential, Bulk and General Service</u>	<u>Current Rates</u>	<u>Utility's Requested Interim</u>	<u>Utility's Requested Final</u>	<u>Commission Approved Interim Rates</u>
Base Facility Charge by Meter Size				
5/8" x 3/4"	\$46.24	\$55.22	\$64.46	\$53.83
1"	\$115.60	\$138.05	\$161.16	\$134.38
1 1/2"	\$231.18	\$276.10	\$322.31	\$269.15
2"	\$369.85	\$441.77	\$515.70	\$430.64
3"	\$693.55	\$828.31	\$966.94	\$861.28
4"	\$1,153.93	\$1,380.52	\$1,611.56	\$1,345.75
6"	\$2,324.85	\$2,761.05	\$3,223.15	\$2,691.50
9"	\$3,699.02	\$4,417.68	\$5,157.04	\$4,306.40
Charge per 1,000 Gallons-Residential and				
0-6,000 gallons	\$4.62	\$5.52	\$6.44	\$5.38
6,001-12000 gallons	\$7.76	\$9.27	\$10.83	\$9.03
Over 12,000 gallons	\$12.32	\$14.56	\$16.99	\$14.34
Charge per 1000 gallons-Bulk Water				
	\$16.48	\$19.47	\$22.72	\$19.19

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:

Florida Public Service Commission
 Director, Office of Commission Clerk
 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0870

A courtesy copy of written comments and complaints may be mailed to the following:

Martin S. Friedman, Esquire
 Friedman & Friedman, P.A.
 766 North Sun Drive, Suite 4030
 Lake Mary, Florida 32746

All correspondence should refer to "Docket No. 160065-WU, Bocilla Utilities, Inc." Your letter will be placed in the correspondence file of this docket. You may also submit comments through the Florida Public Service Commission's toll-free facsimile line at 1-800-511-0809, or the Commission's website available at <http://floridapsc.com/ConsumerAssistance/ComplaintForm>.

If you wish to contact the Florida Public Service Commission regarding complaints about service, you may call the Commission's Division of Consumer Assistance and Outreach at the following toll-free number 1-800-342-3552.