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December 19, 2016

Mr. Troy Rendell U.S. Water Services Corporation 4939 Cross Bayou Blvd. New Port Richey, FL 34652 STAFF'S 1st DATA REQUEST VIA EMAIL & US MAII

or Staff Assisted Rate

Re: Docket No. 160222 - WS - Application of LP Waterworks, Inc. for Staff Assisted Rate Case in Highlands County for increase water and wastewater rates

Dear Mr. Rendell:

For the engineering portion of this rate case, staff requires several items to be completed prior to our field audit and to ensure fast and expedient treatment of your rate case. Please submit the following information to the Commission Clerk, Office of Commission Clerk, 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd., Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850, by January 16, 2016, for the period of September 1, 2015, through August 31, 2016, (test year), unless another time period is specified. Staff will contact you to arrange for a site visit after reviewing the material. On the date selected for the site visit, the staff engineer will inspect the water and wastewater plants, the distribution and collection systems, and the general service areas. Please have someone (lead operator, chief maintenance person, or an assigned person with access to the plant) available for this tour.

- 1. <u>Purchased Water and/or Wastewater</u>: All utility related bills from the beginning of the test year to present which include meter number and location, gallons used, dollars paid, and the Utility's account numbers.
- Purchased Power: All utility related electric bills from the beginning of the test year to
 present, which include meter number and location, kilowatts used, dollars paid, and the
 electric company's account numbers.
- 3. <u>Chemicals</u>: A list of all chemicals used in the treatment of water, amounts purchased, quantity purchased, unit prices paid, and dosage rates utilized.
- 4. <u>Sludge Removal Expenses</u>: Provide a schedule showing the total cost and quantity of removing sludge, if persons other than owners, stockholders, and employees of the utility perform such work during the test year.
- 5. <u>Contractual Services Testing</u>: A list of tests along with costs paid to outside laboratories for testing the water and wastewater during the test year.

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- Contractual Services Other: The costs of operation and maintenance work not
 performed by utility employees with an explanation of the type of work performed. These
 costs include the operator's fee, mowing and grounds keeping, and contracted repair for
 the water and wastewater systems.
- 7. <u>Transportation Expenses</u>: A schedule of all vehicles by serial number and description owned or leased by the utility, original cost or lease documents, whom the vehicles are assigned to, and an explanation of how they are allocated to the utility, or a copy of the log book showing miles on personal vehicles associated with utility business. All vehicles are to be available for inspection.
- 8. Copies of your most recent Primary and Secondary Water Quality test results.
- 9. Copies of monthly operation reports for water and wastewater from September 1, 2015, through August 31, 2016, (test year) which includes:

FOR WASTEWATER – Total treated, total wash water, total of each chemical in points, chemical dosage rates (average).

FOR WATER – Total water purchased or pumped, total wash water, total of each chemical in points, chemical dosages rates (average).

- 10. Copy of monthly totals of metered water sold for each month of the test year.
- 11. A written summary, by permit number, of all Department of Environmental Protection, Water Management District, and/or County Health Department permits.
- 12. If any plant addition has been made, or will be required due to a written order from a governmental agency, please provide a copy of that order.
- 13. A list of all service complaints received during the test year and four years prior to the test year. Please include an explanation of how each complaint was resolved.
- 14. A listing of all assets owned by the utility.

Example: 200' – 8" PVC (Sewer) 250' – 6" PVC Pipe (Water) 50' – 6" PVC Fire Hydrants (Water)

- 15. Number of customers classified as to meter size and class (commercial or residential) for the following points in time:
 - a) A minimum of 4 years prior to the beginning of the test year or last last calendar year.
 - b) The beginning of the last calendar year.
 - c) The end of the last calendar year.
 - d) Present.

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- 16. Please provide a copy of the Utility's engineering maps for water and wastewater showing location and size of water and wastewater mains throughout the service area and customer location and classification.
- 17. Please reference the pro forma plant additions for wastewater to recover the cost of manholes rehabilitation and repair which occurred in October 2016. Please fill out the spreadsheet attached concerning this item. Please include any and all bid proposals related to this pro forma.
- 18. Please fill out the spreadsheet attached concerning any other pro forma items. Please include any bid proposals or estimates for the pro forma items.
- 19. Please explain in detail, the difference, in dollar amount, of the estimate invoice attached in the intial SARC application of \$4,650.00 from the invoices received on December 13, 2016, totaling \$12,058.24 for pro forma plant additions.

Please contact Orlando Wooten by phone at (850) 413-6686 or by email OWooten@psc.fl.us, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Giovanni Wolmers

Finance & Tax Analyst I

Bureau of Finance, Tax, and Cost Recovery

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Attachment

cc: Office of Commission Clerk (Docket No. 160222)

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Site	Item	NARUC Account Number	Issue Relevance*	Problem	Solution	Regulatory Mandate (M) or Enhancement (E)	Comments	Year	Total

^{*}For Issue Relevance, please use DM (Deferred Maintenance), S (Safety), C (Compliance), R (Reliability), WQ (Water Quality), or WWQ (Wastewater Quality). In the year columns, please include a breakdown of the amount spent and projected to be spent