

Affidavit

In accordance with the requirements of the Florida Public Service Commission, we provided the attached Customer Notice to all customers of FIMC Hideaway Inc. on January 18th 2018.

Robert McBride

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STATE OF Florida

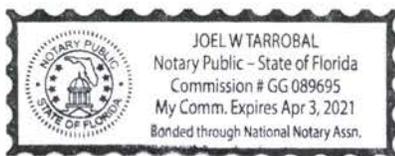
COUNTY OF Alachua

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 20 day of January, 2018, by Robert McBride, who is personally known to me or who has produced FL Drivers License N216773423290 as identification.

Joel W. Tarrobal
Print Name Joel W. Tarrobal

Notary Public

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

NOTICE OF CUSTOMER MEETING

TO THE CUSTOMERS OF FIMC HIDEAWAY, INC.

AND

ALL OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS

DOCKET NO. 20170147-WS

APPLICATION OF FIMC HIDEAWAY, INC.

FOR A STAFF-ASSISTED RATE CASE IN

LEVY COUNTY

Date Issued:

1/18/2018

NOTICE is hereby given that the Staff of the Florida Public Service Commission (Commission) will conduct a customer meeting to discuss FIMC Hideaway, Inc.'s (FIMC or utility) application for a staff-assisted rate case (SARC) in Levy County. The meeting will be held at the following time and place:

Thursday, February 1, 2018, at 6:00 P.M.

Fat Goose Auction House
14404 US Highway 19 North
Chiefland, FL 32626

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 Commissioners of the Commission may attend and participate in this meeting. The meeting will begin as scheduled and will continue until all 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 the 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 on the home page. Cancellation can also be confirmed by calling the Commission's Office of the General Counsel at (850) 413-6199.

Any person requiring some accommodation at the customer 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).

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 FIMC Hideaway, Inc.'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 or online at <https://secure.floridapsc.com/e-filings/efiling.aspx>.

BACKGROUND

FIMC Hideaway, Inc. is a Class C utility, which was granted water and wastewater certificates in 1984 to serve the Hideaway development when Levy County turned jurisdiction over to this Commission in 1983.¹ The Hideaway systems were transferred to Florida Investors Mortgage Corporation Hideaway, Inc. in 1992 following its foreclosure on the utility.² Subsequently, a transfer of majority organizational control was approved to in 2005 when the utility stock was acquired by the current owners.³ In 2009, this Commission approved the transfer of the Springside water and wastewater systems from Par Utilities, Inc. to FIMC Hideaway, Inc.⁴

On June 22, 2017, FIMC filed an application for a staff assisted rate case. Staff selected the test year ended June 30, 2017. According to FIMC's 2016 annual report, combined total gross revenues were \$95,403 and total operating expenses were \$88,613. The Hideaway and Springside systems currently serve 197 customers. The utility has not successfully applied for a rate increase since 1992. The Commission has jurisdiction in this case pursuant to Sections 367.081, 367.0812, 367.0814, and 367.091 Florida Statutes, (F.S.).

¹Order No. 13497, issued July 10, 1984, in Docket No. 19830552-WS, *In re: Application of Hideaway Service, Inc. for a certificate to operate a water and sewer utility in Levy County.*

²Order No. 25584, issued January 8, 1992, in Docket No. 19910672-WS, *In re: Application for transfer of Certificates Nos. 426-W and 362-8 from Hideaway Service, Inc. to FIMC Hideaway, Inc. in Levy County.*

³Order No. PSC-05-0298-PAA-WS, issued March 18, 2005, in Docket No. 20040152-WS, *In re: Application for transfer of majority organizational control of FIMC Hideaway, Inc. in Levy County from Florida Investors Mortgage Corporation, a Florida corporation, to Robert and Janet McBride.*

⁴Order No. PSC-09-0279-PAA-WS, issued April 29, 2009, in Docket No. 20080268-WS, *In re: Joint Application for transfer of the Springside water and wastewater systems from Par Utilities, Inc. in Levy County to FIMC Hideaway, Inc.; amendment of Certificates 426-W and 362-W held by FIMC Hideaway, Inc.; and amendment of Certificate 428-W and cancellation of Certificate 366-S held by Par Utilities, Inc.*

CURRENT AND PRELIMINARY RATES AND CHARGES

Staff has compiled the following recommended rates for the purpose of discussion at the customer meeting. These rates are preliminary and subject to change based on information gathered at the customer meeting, further staff review, and the final decision by the Commission. The utility's current and staff's recommended preliminary rates are as follows:

FIMC HIDEAWAY		SCHEDULE NO. 4-A		
TEST YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017		DOCKET NO. 20170147-WU		
MONTHLY WATER RATES				
	HIDEAWAY CURRENT RATES	SPRINGSIDE CURRENT RATES	STAFF RECOMMENDED RATES	4 YEAR RATE REDUCTION
<u>Residential and General Service</u>				
Base Facility Charge by Meter Size				
5/8"X3/4"	\$13.85	\$8.74	\$10.56	\$0.05
3/4"	\$20.77	\$13.11	\$15.84	\$0.08
1"	\$34.61	\$21.86	\$26.40	\$0.13
1-1/2"	\$69.23	\$43.71	\$52.80	\$0.26
2"	\$110.77	\$69.94	\$84.48	\$0.41
3"	\$221.53	\$139.88	\$168.96	\$0.83
4"	\$346.14	\$218.56	\$264.00	\$1.29
6"	\$692.29	N/A	\$528.00	\$2.59
Charge per 1,000 gallons - Residential and General Service	\$3.08	\$3.05	\$6.84	\$0.03
<u>Irrigation Service</u>				
Base Facility Charge - All Meter Sizes				
	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Charge per 1,000 gallons - Irrigation Service	N/A	\$1.74	\$6.84	\$0.03
<u>Typical Residential 5/8" x 3/4" Meter Bill Comparison</u>				
2,000 Gallons	\$20.01	\$14.84	\$24.24	
6,000 Gallons	\$32.33	\$27.04	\$51.60	
10,000 Gallons	\$44.65	\$39.24	\$78.96	

FIMC HIDEAWAY		SCHEDULE NO. 4-B		
TEST YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017		DOCKET NO. 20170147-WU		
MONTHLY WASTEWATER RATES				
	HIDEAWAY CURRENT RATES	SPRINGSIDE CURRENT RATES	STAFF RECOMMENDED RATES	4 YEAR RATE REDUCTION
<u>Residential Service</u>				
Base Facility Charge - All Meter Sizes	\$11.81	\$17.85	\$16.13	\$0.04
Charge Per 1,000 gallons 6,000 gallon cap	\$2.67	N/A	\$8.49	\$0.02
Charge Per 1,000 gallons 10,000 gallon cap	N/A	\$5.76	N/A	N/A
Flat Rate	26.61	N/A	\$34.19	\$0.09
<u>General Service</u>				
Base Facility Charge by Meter Size				
5/8" x 3/4"	\$11.81	\$17.85	\$16.13	\$0.04
3/4"	\$17.72	\$26.78	\$24.20	\$0.06
1"	\$29.53	\$44.63	\$40.33	\$0.10
1-1/2"	\$59.06	\$89.27	\$80.65	\$0.20
2"	\$94.50	\$142.83	\$129.04	\$0.32
3"	\$188.99	\$285.66	\$258.08	\$0.64
4"	\$295.30	\$446.34	\$403.25	\$1.00
6"	\$590.59	N/A	\$806.50	\$2.00
Charge per 1,000 gallons	\$3.09	\$6.92	\$10.19	\$0.03
<u>Typical Residential 5/8" x 3/4" Meter Bill Comparison</u>				
2,000 Gallons	\$17.15	\$29.37	\$33.11	
6,000 Gallons	\$27.83	\$52.41	\$67.07	
10,000 Gallons	\$27.83	\$75.45	\$67.07	

STAFF REPORTS AND UTILITY APPLICATION

The results of staff's preliminary investigation are contained in a staff report dated January 11, 2018. Copies of the report may be examined by interested members of the public Monday - Friday from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at the following location:

FIMC Hideaway, Inc. Clubhouse
11084 NW 113 ST
Chiefland, FL 32626

PROCEDURES AFTER CUSTOMER MEETING

After the customer meeting, Commission staff will prepare a recommendation which is tentatively scheduled to be submitted to the Commission on March 30, 2018. The Commission will then vote on staff's recommendation at its April 12, 2018 Commission Conference. The Commission will thereafter issue a proposed agency action (PAA) order containing rates which may be different from those contained in staff's final recommendation. Substantially affected persons have 21 days from the date that the PAA order is issued to protest the Commission's PAA order. Customers are able to obtain a copy of staff's recommendation and all documents filed in this docket under the Clerk's Office tab at the Commission's website (<http://www.floridapsc.com/>).

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:

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

All correspondence should refer to "**Docket No. 20170147-WS, FIMC HIDEAWAY, 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 email at clerk@psc.state.fl.us, or the Commission's website available at <http://floridapsc.com/about/contact/form.aspx>.

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