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#### BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Application for limited proceeding rate increase in Brevard County by Aquarina Utilities, Inc.

DOCKET NO.: 20190080-WS

#### **NOTICE OF FILING AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING**

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AQUARINA UTILITIES, INC., by and through its undersigned attorneys, hereby gives notice of filing the Affidavit of Mailing of the Customer Meeting Notice, attached hereto, to all of its customers.

Respectfully submitted this 4<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020, by:

Dean Mead 420 S. Orange Ave., Suite 700 Orlando, Florida 32801 Direct Telephone: (407) 310-2077 Facsimile: (407) 423-1831

/s/ Martin S. Friedman\_\_\_\_\_

Martin S. Friedman

#### AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF Indian River

Before me, the undersigned authority, authorized to administer oaths and take acknowledgments, personally appeared Holly Burge, who, after being duly sworn on oath, did depose on oath and say that on behalf of Aquarina Utilities, Inc., on March 22, 2020, a copy of the Customer Meeting Notice, attached hereto, was sent by regular U.S. Mail to all customers of the Utility.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.

Holly Burge

Sworn to and subscribed before me by means of ● physical presence or ● online day of March, 2020, by Holly Burge who is personally known to me, or notarization this who provided FLDL 3620.322-07.860 as identification.

Print Name:

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MARIA I. MARRON MY COMMISSION #GG155513 EXPIRES: 0CT 29, 2021 Bonded through 1st State Insurance NOTARY PUBLIC My Commission Expires:

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

## RE: DOCKET NO. 20190080-WS APPLICATION FOR LIMITED PROCEEDING RATE INCREASE IN BREVARD COUNTY, BY AQUARINA UTILITIES, INC.

DATED: March 2, 2020

NOTICE is hereby given that the staff of the Florida Public Service Commission (Commission) will conduct a customer meeting to discuss the Application for an Increase in Rates of Aquarina Utilities, Inc. (Aquarina or Utility). The meeting will be held at the following time and place:

6:00 p.m., Thursday, March 26, 2020 Aquarina Community Center Conference Room 450 Aquarina Blvd. Melbourne Beach, FL 32951

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 may attend and participate in this meeting. The meeting will begin as scheduled and will continue until all of the customers have been heard.

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 5 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).

### 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 on the home page. Cancellation can also be confirmed by calling the Office of the General Counsel at 850-413-6199.

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of the meeting is to give customers and other interested persons an opportunity to offer comments regarding the proposed rate increase and to ask questions and comment on 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. The Commission staff will have sign-up sheets and customers will be called in the order that they sign up to speak.

## HOW TO CONTACT THE COMMISSION

Any person who wishes to comment or provide information to staff may do so at the meeting, 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:

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

Or by e-mail to Clerk@psc.state.fl.us

All correspondence should refer to "Docket No. 20190080-WS, Aquarina Utilities, Inc." Your letter will be placed in the correspondence file of this docket. You may also submit comments through the 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 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.

## BACKGROUND

Aquarina is a Class B utility providing water and wastewater services in Brevard County to approximately 301 water, 120 non-potable, and 339 wastewater customers. The Utility's rates for potable water and wastewater were last set in a staff-assisted rate case in 2016. In its 2018 annual report, the Aquarina reported operating revenues in the amount of \$500,491 for water and \$188,087 for wastewater service.

On April 1, 2019, Aquarina filed an application for a limited proceeding rate increase. The minimum filing requirements were met and the official filing date was established as July 31, 2019. In its application, Aquarina is seeking to recover the revenue it will lose as a result of the loss of Aquarina Golf, Inc. as an irrigation customer. In addition, the Utility is seeking recognition of capital improvements that have taken place since the last rate case. Copies of the utility's petition for a limited alternative rate increase and minimum filing requirements are available for inspection by members of the public at the following location:

Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Aquarina Utilities, Inc.

## 235 Aquarina Blvd. Melbourne Beach, FL, 32951

# CURRENT AND PROPOSED RATES

The current and proposed rates are listed below. These rates are subject to change based on information gathered at the customer meeting, further Commission staff review, and the final decision by the Commissioners.

AQUARINA UTILITIES, INC. MONTHLY WATER RATES	CURRENT RATES	PROPOSED RATES
Base Facility Charge by Meter Size		
5/8" x 3/4"	\$19.80	\$29.9
3/4"	\$29.70	\$44.9
1"	\$49.50	\$74.92
1-1/2"	\$99.00	\$149.84
2"	\$158.40	\$239.74
3"	\$316.80	\$479.4
4"	\$495.00	\$749.20
6"	\$990.00	\$1,498.4
Charge per 1,000 gallons	\$7.18	\$10.8
Irrigation Service		
Base Facility Charge by Meter Size		
5/8" x 3/4"	\$14.24	\$11.0
3/4"	\$21.36	\$16.6
1"	\$35.60	\$27.6
1-1/2"	\$71.20	\$55.3
2"	\$113.92	\$88.5
3"	\$227.84	\$193.7
4"	\$356.00	\$332.1
6"	\$712.00	\$691.8
8"	\$1139.20	\$996.3

AQUARINA UTILITIES, INC. MONTHLY WASTEWATER RATES	CURRENT RATES	PROPOSED RATES
Base Facility Charge All Meter Sizes	\$24.75	\$24.75
Charge per 1,000 gallons	\$5.35	\$5.3
Flat Rate Service	\$38.79	\$38.7
General Service		
Base Facility Charge by Meter Size		
5/8" x 3/4"	\$24.75	\$24.7
3/4"	\$37.13	\$37.1
1"	\$61.88	\$61.8
1-1/2"	\$123.75	\$123.7
2"	\$198.00	\$198.0
3"	\$396.00	\$396.0
4"	\$618.15	\$618.1
6"	\$1237.50	\$1,237.5
Charge per 1,000 gallons	\$6.44	\$6.4

#### PROCEDURES AFTER CUSTOMER MEETING

After the customer meeting, Commission staff will prepare a recommendation which is scheduled to be submitted to the Commission on April 23, 2020. The Commission will then vote on staff's recommendation at its May 5, 2020, 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 on the Commission's website (http://www.floridapsc.com).

This notice was prepared by the utility and approved by Commission Staff for distribution by the utility to its customers.