



Florida Public Service Commission

RATE CASE OVERVIEW

APRIL 2017

Application for increase in water and wastewater rates in Highlands County by

LP Waterworks, Inc.

DOCKET NO. 160222-WS

On October 17, 2016, LP Waterworks, Inc. (LPWW) filed an application with the Florida Public Service Commission (PSC or Commission) for an increase in water and wastewater rates. LPWW provides water service to approximately 465 customers and wastewater service to approximately 400 customers in Highlands County.

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

1 Is there an opportunity for public input on this rate case?

Yes. As part of the evaluation process for LPWW's rate request, the Commission staff will conduct a customer meeting to allow customer feedback about LPWW and the rate-setting process. Customer comments, written and oral, will be taken into consideration when the Commission reaches a decision. One or more Commissioners may attend and participate during the customer meeting.

2 Why is LPWW requesting a rate increase?

LPWW is requesting a rate increase in order to recover the cost of operating the utility and allow the company the opportunity to earn a fair rate of return on its investment.

3 When was LPWW's last approved rate increase?

The last PSC staff-assisted rate case for this system occurred in 2015.

4 How much is the current monthly water and wastewater bill for a residential customer using 3,000 gallons?

The current monthly water and wastewater bill for a residential customer is \$23.27 and \$27.09, respectively.

5 Using staff's preliminary rates, how much would the monthly water and wastewater bill be for a residential customer using 3,000 gallons?

The monthly water and wastewater bill for a residential customer would be \$26.26 and \$38.20, respectively.

CUSTOMER MEETING

Tuesday, April 18, 2017

6:00 P.M.

Lake View Clubhouse

Camp Florida Resort

231 Shoreline Drive

Lake Placid, FL 33852

If cancelled, notice of meeting cancellation will be provided on the Commission's website (www.floridapsc.com) under Hot Topics found on the home page. Cancellation can also be confirmed by contacting the Office of General Counsel at (850) 413-6199.

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6 What if I cannot attend the customer meeting or prefer not to speak? Are there other ways to comment on this case?

Any person who wants to comment or provide information to the Commission regarding this matter may do so orally at the meeting or in writing.* Written comments should be mailed to:

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

The PSC will also accept emailed comments at: clerk@psc.state.fl.us

Please be sure to include the docket number, **160222-WS**.

Customer comments are placed on the correspondence side of the docket file and are taken into consideration by the Commissioners in reaching their decision. In accordance with Florida Statutes, the PSC will also consider LPWW's quality of service and other matters. If you have questions, contact the PSC's Office of Consumer Assistance & Outreach at 1-800-342-3552.

7 Who can answer technical or legal questions?

For technical questions, contact:

Marissa Friedrich
(850) 413-6473

Orlando Wooten
(850) 413-6686

Giovanni Wolmers
(850) 413-6838

For legal questions, contact:

Charles Murphy
(850) 413-6191

8 Where on the Internet can I obtain more detailed information?

Detailed docket information is available on the PSC website at www.FloridaPSC.com. Click on **Clerk's Office** then **Dockets**. Type in the docket number **160222**.

9 When will the PSC make a decision?

The PSC staff is tentatively scheduled to file a recommendation with the Commission on June 28, 2017. The Commissioners are tentatively expected to vote on this matter at the July 11, 2017 Commission Conference.

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LP Waterworks, Inc. Monthly Water Rates

	Rates at Time of Filing	Staff Recommended Rates
<u>Residential and General Service</u>		
Base Facility Charge by Meter Size		
5/8" x 3/4"	\$8.54	\$9.64
3/4"	\$12.82	\$14.46
1"	\$21.38	\$24.10
1 1/2"	\$42.74	\$48.20
2"	\$68.38	\$77.12
3"	\$136.77	\$154.24
4"	\$213.70	\$241.00
6"	\$427.40	\$482.00
Charge per 1,000 gallons - Residential		
0-3,000 gallons	\$4.91	\$5.54
Over 3,000 gallons	\$7.21	\$8.14
Charge per 1,000 gallons - General Service		
	\$5.91	\$6.67
Private Fire Protection Service		
5/8" x 3/4"	\$0.71	\$0.80
3/4"	\$1.07	\$1.20
1"	\$1.78	\$2.01
1 1/2"	\$3.56	\$4.02
2"	\$5.70	\$6.43
3"	\$11.40	\$12.85
4"	\$17.81	\$20.08
6"	\$35.62	\$40.17
<u>Typical Residential 5/8" x 3/4" Meter Bill Comparison</u>		
3,000 Gallons	\$23.27	\$26.26
6,000 Gallons	\$44.90	\$50.68
8,000 Gallons	\$59.32	\$66.96

LP Waterworks, Inc. Monthly Wastewater Rates

	Rates at Time of Filing	Utility Requested Rates
<u>Residential</u>		
Base Facility Charge - All Meter Sizes	\$12.27	\$14.98
Charge per 1,000 gallons - Residential		
8,000 gallon cap	\$4.94	
6,000 gallon cap		\$7.74
<u>General Service</u>		
Base Facility Charge by Meter Size		
5/8" x 3/4"	\$12.27	\$14.98
3/4"	\$18.41	\$22.47
1"	\$30.68	\$37.45
1 1/2"	\$61.35	\$74.90
2"	\$98.16	\$119.84
3"	\$196.32	\$239.68
4"	\$306.75	\$374.50
6"	\$613.51	\$749.00
Charge per 1,000 gallons - General Service	\$5.92	\$9.29
<u>Typical Residential 5/8" x 3/4" Meter Bill Comparison</u>		
3,000 Gallons	\$27.09	\$38.20
6,000 Gallons	\$41.91	\$61.42
8,000 Gallons	\$51.79	\$61.42

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Address _____

To submit your comments about this docket to the Florida Public Service Commission, please complete this comment form and return it by mail, or fax it to 1-800-511-0809. Correspondence will be placed in the docket file.

CONSUMER COMMENTS

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