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May 2, 1996

Colony Park Utilities, Inc.
c/o Mr. John K. McPherson
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Gainesville, Florida 32601

CERTIFIED MAIL P 407 857 576
RETURNED RECEIPT REQUESTED

Re: Docket No. 951591-SU, Application of Colony Park Utilities, Inc. for
a staff assisted rate case in Brevard County.

Dear Mr. McPherson:

This will confirm that Commission Staff will hold a customer meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 4, 1996. The location of the meeting will be the Kiwanis Island Annex, Brevard County Parks & Recreation Department, 950 Kiwanis Park Road, Merritt Island, Florida 32953. We ask that, if at all possible, you or another knowledgeable representative of the utility attend the meeting in order to answer customer questions.

The original customer meeting notice is enclosed. Please note that the date has been left blank so that you can fill in the date that the notice is sent to the customers. The customers must have at least fourteen days' notice of the meeting, calculated from the day that they receive the notice. Please furnish me with a copy of the notice, as reproduced at the time it is distributed to your customers, together with a cover letter indicating the exact date(s) on which the notice was mailed or otherwise delivered to the customers.

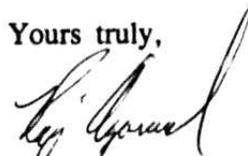
Two copies of the engineering report dated March 22, 1996, are enclosed along with two copies of the accounting report dated April 26, 1996. Please make the reports available for review by all interested persons at Colony Park Utilities, Inc. office located at 32 Mangrove Drive, Merritt Island, Florida 32953. As you can see in the customer notice, we have suggested customers call ahead of time to make arrangements to review the reports.

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If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

Yours truly,



Raj Agarwal
Staff Counsel

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Enclosures

cc: Office of Public Counsel
Division of Consumer Affairs
Division of Records and Reporting
Division of Water and Wastewater (Bethea, Casey)
Hearing Reporter
Public Information

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

NOTICE OF CUSTOMER MEETING

TO THE CUSTOMERS OF

COLONY PARK UTILITIES, INC.

AND

ALL OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS

RE: DOCKET NO. 951591-SU

APPLICATION OF COLONY PARK UTILITIES, INC. FOR A
STAFF-ASSISTED RATE CASE IN BREVARD COUNTY.

DATED: _ _ _ _ _

NOTICE is hereby given that the Staff of the Florida Public Service Commission will conduct a customer meeting to discuss the application of Colony Park Utilities, Inc. for a staff-assisted rate case in Brevard County. The meeting will be held at the following time and place:

7:00 p.m., Tuesday, June 4, 1996
Kiwanis Island Annex
Brevard County Parks & Recreation Department
950 Kiwanis Park Road
Merritt Island, Florida 32953

All persons who wish to testify are urged to be present at the beginning of the meeting, since the meeting may be adjourned early if no customers are present.

Any person requiring some accommodation at this hearing, meeting, etc. because of a physical impairment should call the Division of Records and Reporting at (904) 413-6770 at least five calendar days prior to the hearing, meeting, etc. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Public Service Commission 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 sworn testimony regarding the quality of service the utility provides and to ask questions and comment on staff's preliminary rates included in this notice as well as other issues. Staff members will answer questions to the extent possible. A representative from the utility has also been invited to respond to questions.

Any person who wishes to comment or provide information to staff may do so at the meeting, orally or in writing. Written comments may also be sent to the Commission at the address given at the end of this notice.

BACKGROUND

Colony Park Utilities, Inc. is a Class C wastewater only utility located in Brevard County. It provides service to approximately 301 wastewater customers.

The test period for setting rates is the historical average twelve month period ending December 31, 1995. According to the staff audit and preliminary analysis, the utility's test year revenues were \$35,628. Test year operating expenses were \$46,673. The resulting net loss is (\$11,045).

CURRENT AND PRELIMINARY RATES AND CHARGES

Staff has compiled the following rates and charges 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 Commissioners. The utility's current and staff's preliminary rates and charges for staff's recommendation are as follows:

MONTHLY WASTEWATER RATES
Residential Service

<u>Base Facility Charge</u>	Utility's Monthly <u>Existing Rates</u>	Staff's Monthly <u>Preliminary Rates</u>
<u>Meter Sizes:</u>		
5/8" x 3/4"	\$ 3.64	\$ 6.44
1"	3.64	16.09
1 1/2"	3.64	32.18
2"	3.64	51.49
3"	3.64	102.99
4"	3.64	160.92
6"	3.64	321.84
 <u>Gallage Charge</u>		
Per 1,000 Gallons (10,000 gallon maximum)	\$ 1.10	\$ 1.81

MONTHLY WASTEWATER RATES
General Service

	<u>Utility's Monthly Existing Rates</u>	<u>Staff's Monthly Preliminary Rates</u>
<u>Base Facility Charge</u>		
<u>Meter Sizes:</u>		
5/8" x 3/4"	\$ 3.64	\$ 6.44
1"	8.15	16.09
1 1/2"	15.66	32.18
2"	24.68	51.49
3"	N/A	102.99
4"	N/A	160.92
6"	N/A	321.84
 <u>Gallonage Charge</u>		
Per 1,000 Gallons (No maximum)	\$ 1.47	\$ 2.17

MONTHLY WASTEWATER RATES
SPECIAL TARIFF APPLICABLE ONLY TO COLONY PARK MOBILE HOME PARK

	<u>Utility's Monthly Existing Rates</u>	<u>Staff's Monthly Preliminary Rates</u>
<u>Base Facility Charge</u>	\$ 440.50	\$ 966.00
 <u>Gallonage Charge</u>		
Per 1,000 Gallons (1,500,000 gallon maximum)	\$ 1.22	\$ 1.81

Using the average 151 test year residential wastewater customers other than the rental park, with an average wastewater usage of 4,388 gal/mon per customer, an average residential monthly wastewater bill comparison would be as follows:

	<u>Existing Monthly Bill</u>	<u>Recommended Monthly Bill</u>	<u>Percent Increase</u>
Base Facility Charge	\$ 3.64	\$ 6.44	
Gallonage Charge	<u>\$ 5.35</u>	<u>\$ 7.94</u>	
Total	\$ 8.99	\$ 14.38	59.96%

STAFF REPORTS AND UTILITY APPLICATION

The results of staff's preliminary investigation are contained in an accounting report dated April 26, 1996, and an engineering report dated March 22, 1996. Copies of the reports may be examined by interested members of the public at the Colony Park Utilities, Inc. office located at 32 Mangrove Drive, Merritt Island, Florida 32953. If you would like to review the reports, you may call (407)-783-2843 or (407)453-1400 to arrange a time.

PROCEDURES AFTER CUSTOMER MEETING

After the meeting, staff will prepare and submit a recommendation to the Commission. The Commission will thereafter issue a proposed agency action order containing rates which may be different from those contained in staff's final recommendation. Five to ten customers or persons who attend the meeting and who wish to receive a copy of the recommendation and the order may so indicate at the meeting. Those individuals are expected to distribute the information in the recommendation and the order to other customers and interested persons. Anyone who is unable to attend and who wishes to obtain a copy of the recommendation or the order may do so by writing to the Commission at the address at the end of this notice.

HOW TO CONTACT THE COMMISSION

Written comments regarding the utility and the proposed rates, and requests to be placed on the mailing list for this case, may be directed to this address:

Director, Division of Records and Reporting
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

All correspondence should refer to "Docket No. 951591-SU - Application of Colony Park Utilities, Inc. for a staff-assisted rate case in Brevard County."

If you wish to contact the Commission regarding complaints about service, you may call the Commission's Division of Consumer Affairs at the following toll-free number: 1-800-342-3552.

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