

Placid Lakes Communities

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February 19, 1997

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

Attn: John D. Williams
Re: Application for Amendment of Water Certificate
#401-W for Placid Lakes Utilities, Inc. in
Highlands County, Florida.

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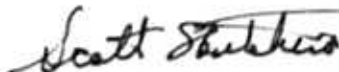
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If this addition would negatively effect our rate base or cause any problem with our water rates, we would have to reconsider adding these customers.

Sincerely,



Scott Hutchins
Placid Lakes Utilities, Inc.

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**APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT OF CERTIFICATE
(EXTENSION OR DELETION)**

970231-WU

(Pursuant to Section 367.045, Florida Statutes)

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

The undersigned hereby makes application for amendment of
Water Certificate No. 401-W and/or Wastewater Certificate No.
 to add (add or delete) territory located in
Highlands County, Florida, and submits the
following information:

PART I APPLICANT INFORMATION

- A) The full name (as it appears on the certificate),
address and telephone number of the applicant:

PLACID LAKES UTILITIES, INC.

Name of utility

(941) 465-0345

Phone No.

(941) 465-1313

Fax No.

2000 Jefferson Ave.

Office street address

Lake Placid

FL

33852

City

State

Zip Code

Mailing address if different from street address

Internet address if applicable

- B) The name, address and telephone number of the person to
contact concerning this application:

Scott Hutchins

Name

(941) 465-8763

Phone No.

2000 Jefferson Ave.

Street address

Lake Placid

FL

33852

City

State

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PART II NEED FOR SERVICE

- p. 2 #3 A) Exhibit A - If the applicant is requesting an extension of territory, a statement regarding the need for service in the proposed territory, such as anticipated development in the proposed service area.
- B) Exhibit N/A - If the applicant is requesting a deletion of territory, a statement specifying the reasons for the proposed deletion, demonstrating that it is in the public interest and explaining the effect of the proposed deletion on the ability of any customer, or potential customer, to receive water and/or wastewater service, including alternative source(s) of service.
- p. 2 #5 C) Exhibit B - A statement that to the best of the applicant's knowledge, the provision of service will be consistent with the water and wastewater sections of the local comprehensive plan at the time the application is filed, as approved by the Department of Community Affairs, or, if not, a statement demonstrating why granting the amendment would be in the public interest.

PART III SYSTEM INFORMATION

A) WATER

- (1) Exhibit C - A statement describing the proposed type(s) of water service to be provided by the extension (i.e., potable, non-potable or both).
- (2) Exhibit D - A statement describing the capacity of the existing lines, the capacity of the existing treatment facilities, and the design capacity of the proposed extension.
- (3) Exhibit E - The numbers and dates of any construction or operating permits issued by the Department of Environmental Protection for the system proposed to be expanded.
- (4) Exhibit F - A description of the types of customers anticipated ~~to be~~ served by the extension, i.e., single family homes, mobile homes, duplexes, golf course, clubhouse, commercial, etc.

- (5) If the utility is requesting a deletion of territory, provide the number of current active connections within the territory to be deleted.

N/A

- (6) Exhibit G - Evidence the utility owns the land where the water facilities that will serve the proposed territory are, or will be, located. If the utility does not own the land, a copy of the agreement, such as a 99-year lease, which provides for the long term continuous use of the land. The Commission may consider a written easement or other cost-effective alternative.

B) **WASTEWATER**

- #13 (1) Exhibit N/A - A statement describing the capacity of the existing lines, the capacity of the existing treatment and disposal facilities, and the design capacity of the proposed extension.

- None (2) Exhibit N/A - The numbers and dates of any construction or operating permits issued by the Department of Environmental Protection for the system proposed to be expanded.

- N.72 (3) Exhibit N/A - If the utility is planning to build a new wastewater treatment plant, or upgrade an existing plant to serve the proposed territory, provide a written description of the proposed method(s) of effluent disposal.

- #10 (4) Exhibit N/A - If (3) above does not include effluent disposal by means of reuse, provide a statement that describes with particularity the reasons for not using reuse.

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N/A

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PART IV FINANCIAL AND TECHNICAL INFORMATION

- 101 #2 A) Exhibit H - A statement as to the applicant's technical and financial ability to render reasonably sufficient, adequate and efficient service.
- B) Exhibit I - A detailed statement regarding the proposed method of financing the construction, and the projected impact on the utility's capital structure.
- Need* C) Provide the number of the most recent Commission order establishing or amending the applicant's rates and charges. PSC-96-0679-FOF-WU
- CF* D) Exhibit J - A statement regarding the projected impact of the extension on the utility's monthly rates and service availability charges.

PART V TERRITORY DESCRIPTION AND MAPS

A) **TERRITORY DESCRIPTION**

Exhibit K - An accurate description of the territory proposed to be added or deleted, using township, range and section references as specified in Rule 25-30.030(2), F.A.C. If the water and wastewater territory is different, provide separate descriptions.

B) **TERRITORY MAPS**

Exhibit L - One copy of an official county tax assessment map or other map showing township, range and section with a scale such as 1"=200' or 1"=400' on which the proposed territory to be added or deleted is plotted by use of metes and bounds or quarter sections and with a defined reference point of beginning. If the water and wastewater territory is different, provide separate maps.

C) SYSTEM MAPS

Exhibit L - One copy of detailed map(s) showing proposed lines and facilities and the territory proposed to be served. Map(s) shall be of sufficient scale and detail to enable correlation with a description of the territory proposed to be served. Provide separate maps for water and wastewater systems.

PART VI NOTICE OF ACTUAL APPLICATION

A) Exhibit M - An affidavit that the notice of actual application was given in accordance with Section 367.045(1)(a), Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-30.030, Florida Administrative Code, by regular mail to the following:

- (1) the governing body of the municipality, county, or counties in which the system or the territory proposed to be served is located;
- (2) the privately owned water and wastewater utilities that hold a certificate granted by the Public Service Commission and are located within the county in which the territory proposed to be served is located;
- (3) if any portion of the proposed territory is within one mile of a county boundary, the utility shall notice the privately owned utilities located in the bordering counties that hold a certificate granted by the Commission;
- (4) the regional planning council;
- (5) the Office of Public Counsel;
- (6) the Public Service Commission's Director of Records and Reporting;
- (7) the appropriate regional office of the Department of Environmental Protection; and
- (8) the appropriate water management district.

Copies of the Notice and a list of entities noticed shall accompany the affidavit. THIS MAY BE A LATE-FILED EXHIBIT

- B) Exhibit ^N - An affidavit that the notice of actual application was given in accordance with Rule 25-30.030, Florida Administrative Code, by regular mail or personal delivery to each customer of the system. A copy of the notice shall accompany the affidavit. THIS MAY BE A LATE-FILED EXHIBIT.
- C) Exhibit ^P - Immediately upon completion of publication, an affidavit that the notice of actual application was published once in a newspaper of general circulation in the territory in accordance with Rule 25-30.030, Florida Administrative Code. A copy of the proof of publication shall accompany the affidavit. THIS MAY BE A LATE-FILED EXHIBIT.

PART VII FILING FEE

Indicate the filing fee enclosed with the application:

 \$ 100.00 (for water) and/or (for wastewater).

Note: Pursuant to Rule 25-30.020, Florida Administrative Code, the amount of the filing fee is as follows:

- (1) For applications in which the area to be extended or deleted has the proposed capacity to serve up to 100 ERCs, the filing fee shall be \$100.
- (2) For applications in which the area to be extended or deleted has the proposed capacity to serve from 101 to 200 ERCs, the filing fee shall be \$200.
- (3) For applications in which the area to be extended or deleted has the proposed capacity to serve from 201 to 500 ERCs, the filing fee shall be \$500.
- (4) For applications in which the area to be extended or deleted has the proposed capacity to serve from 501 to 2,000 ERCs, the filing fee shall be \$1,000.
- (5) For applications in which the area to be extended or deleted has the proposed capacity to serve from 2,001 to 4,000 ERCs, the filing fee shall be \$1,750.
- (6) For applications in which the area to be extended or deleted has the proposed capacity to serve more than 4,000 ERCs, the filing fee shall be \$2,250.

PART VIII TARIFF AND ANNUAL REPORTS

- A) Exhibit Q - An affidavit that the utility has tariffs and annual reports on file with the Commission.
- B) Exhibit N/A - The original and two copies of proposed revisions to the utility's tariff(s) to incorporate the proposed change to the certificated territory. Please refer to Rules 25-9.009 and 25-9.010, Florida Administrative Code, regarding page numbering of tariff sheets before preparing the tariff revisions. (The rules and sample tariff sheets are attached.)

PART IX AFFIDAVIT

I August F. Tobler (applicant) do solemnly swear or affirm that the facts stated in the foregoing application and all exhibits attached thereto are true and correct and that said statements of fact thereto constitute a complete statement of the matter to which it relates.

BY:

August F. Tobler
Applicant's Signature

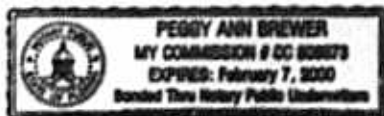
August F. Tobler

Applicant's Name (Typed)

President

Applicant's Title *

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17th of February 1997.



Peggy Ann Brewer
Notary Public
Peggy Ann Brewer

* If the applicant is a corporation, the affidavit must be made by the president or other officer authorized by the by-laws of the corporation to act for it. If the applicant is a partnership or association, a member of the organization authorized to make such affidavit shall execute same.

EXHIBIT A

The service area is being extended at the request of residents in the new area who desire a source of good potable water. Many residents of the area have contaminated wells and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection has agreed to fund the expansion of the water system into the new service area.

EXHIBIT B

The service of potable water by a central water system into an area which is not currently served is consistent with the goals of the Highlands County Comprehensive Plan. Another of the goals of the Highlands County Comprehensive Plan is that when new water lines are placed, that they also provide fire protection to the area. The Department of Environmental Protection will not fund the placement of fire hydrants on Department projects. The Highlands County Engineer has, in the past, approved expansion of water systems without fire hydrants into areas with contaminated wells, provided the expansion of the system is with at least 6" lines for future fire protection. The new water lines will be placed in Highlands County maintained road right of ways and therefore must be approved by the Highlands County Engineering Department.

The opportunity to provide potable water to residents who presently do not have good drinking water should not be outweighed by lack of immediate fire protection.

EXHIBIT C

The water supplied to the new area is intended for potable use only.

EXHIBIT D

The distribution system has been installed basically in accordance (only minor changes) to the master plan of the water system for the subdivision prepared by the original engineer when the facility was originally permitted and construction started.

At the present time the population served is estimated to be approximately 2,840 people, requiring approximately 250,000 gallons per day. The current expansion of the water treatment plant, which is well under construction, is designed to serve a population of 5,520 people, and supplying will be capable of 552,000 gallons per day. The time to reach capacity of the plant would be several years (at least 5 or more) at the current rate of growth in the subdivision.

The new service area appears to have the potential for approximately 150 to 200 people and require about 20,000 gallons per day, if it were totally built out with single family homes.

Supplying potable water to the new service area is well within the capacity of the expanded plant.

EXHIBIT E

The current Florida Department of Environmental Protection permit for expansion of the water distribution system as new units are installed the Placid Lakes subdivision which is the current service area is DS28-292832, DEP file #5280223. The permit was issued September 27, 1996 and expires on September 27, 2001.

The current Florida Department of Environmental Protection permit for expansion of the water treatment plant is WC28-292790, DEP file #5280223. The permit was issued on September 26, 1996 and expires on September 26, 2001.

EXHIBIT F

The type of customer in the new service area is single family homes.

EXHIBIT G

The water line will be placed in Highlands County maintained, public road right of way. The construction of the water line will be done only if the plans for construction are approved and permit issued by the Highlands County Engineering Department.

EXHIBIT H

Placid Lakes Utilities, Inc. has recently expanded its existing water plant by adding a new 1,400' deep well and by construction of another 150,000 gallon concrete aerator tank. This expansion will accommodate another 1,250 connections. The utility has been in operation since 1970 and with the recent staff assisted rate case has the financial ability to meet its financial obligations. The utility has the technical and financial ability to render reasonable sufficient, adequate and efficient service.



Department of
Environmental Protection

EXHIBIT I

Lawton Chiles
Governor

Twin Towers Office Building
2600 Blair Stone Road
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2400

Virginia B. Wetherell
Secretary

February 12, 1997

Mr. Scott Hutchins
Placid Lakes Utilities
2000 Jefferson Avenue
Lake Placid, Florida 33852

Re: Catfish Creek Road Water Line Extension

Dear Mr. Hutchins:

As discussed in our telephone conversation today, the Water Supply Restoration Program (WSRP) will provide funding up to \$62,500 for a water line extension to homes with contaminated potable water wells on Catfish Creek Road. These wells are contaminated with nitrate and various pesticides and are considered unsafe for drinking water purposes. Your assistance in providing these homes with a safe potable water source would be greatly appreciated.

If you have any questions, please call me at (904) 487-9297.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tim Banks".

Tim Banks, P.E.
Water Supply Restoration Program

TB/tb

EXHIBIT J

The projected addition of this area will have no effect on the utility's monthly rates and service availability charges. This is a separate extension requested for health safety concerns and funded by a state agency.

EXHIBIT K

Commence at the Southeast corner of Section 2, Township 37 South, Range 29 East; run thence North $0^{\circ}13'0''$ West along the East Section Line of said Section 2 for a distance of 780.16 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence continue North $0^{\circ}13'0''$ West along the East Section Line of the said Section 2 for a distance of 962.36 feet; run thence South $83^{\circ}36'0''$ West for a distance of 455.19 feet; run thence South $1^{\circ}38'25''$ East for a distance of 739.01 feet; run thence South $50^{\circ}42'2''$ West for a distance of 1599.11 feet; run thence South $59^{\circ}55'57''$ West for a distance of 1888.03 feet; run thence South $82^{\circ}7'25''$ West for a distance of 1070.81 feet, run thence South $38^{\circ}16'10''$ East for a distance of 310.00 feet; run thence along the arc of a curve to the left having the following elements Radius = 500.00 feet, Central angle = $8^{\circ}57'0''$, Arc length = 77.38 feet, Chord length = 77.30 feet, Chord Bearing = South $42^{\circ}41'44''$ East; run thence South $47^{\circ}8'10''$ East for a distance of 888.54 feet; run thence North $42^{\circ}51'50''$ East for a distance of 373.44 feet; run thence North $65^{\circ}22'58''$ East for a distance of 470.85 feet; run thence North $80^{\circ}57'52''$ East for a distance of 605.70 feet; run thence North $80^{\circ}58'39''$ East for a distance of 815.00 feet; run thence South $89^{\circ}08'52''$ East for a distance of 130.75 feet; run thence South $88^{\circ}47'43''$ East for a distance of 386.18 feet; run thence along the arc of a non-tangential curve to the left having the following elements Radius = 1000.00 feet, Central angle = $79^{\circ}0'52''$, Arc length = 1379.06 feet; Chord length = 1272.35 feet, Chord Bearing = North $23^{\circ}59'16''$ West; run thence North $54^{\circ}25'0''$ East for a distance of 1704.89 feet to the Point of Beginning, containing 4,135,082 square feet or 94.9284 acres more or less.

APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT OF CERTIFICATE
(EXTENSION OF DELETION)

(Section 367.045, Florida Statutes)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given on _____, 1997, pursuant to Section 367.045, Florida Statutes, of the application of Placid Lakes Utilities, Inc. to amend its Water Certificate No. 401-W to add territory in Highlands County, Florida as follows:

A portion of Catfish Creek Road. See attached Exhibit K for legal description.

Any objection to the said application must be made in writing within thirty (30) days from this date to the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, Florida Public Service Commission, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850. A copy of said objection should be mailed to the applicant whose address is:

Placid Lakes Utilities, Inc.
2000 Jefferson Ave
Lake Placid, FL 33852

EXHIBIT 0

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF HIGHLANDS

Before me this day personally appeared August F. Tobler, who is personally known to me, and who did not take an oath, but being first duly affirmed according to law, deposes and says:

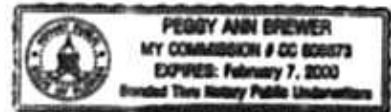
Placid Lakes Utilities, Inc. has tariffs and annual reports on file with the Florida Public Service Commission.

Further affiant sayeth not.


August F. Tobler

Affirmed and subscribed before me this
17th day of February, 1997.


Peggy Ann Brewer, Notary Public



NAME OF COMPANY PLACID LAKES UTILITIES, INC.

WATER TARIFF

TERRITORY SERVED

CERTIFICATE NUMBER - 401-W

COUNTY - HIGHLANDS

COMMISSION ORDER(s) APPROVING TERRITORY SERVED -

<u>Order Number</u>	<u>Date Issued</u>	<u>Docket Number</u>	<u>Filing Type</u>
12594	2/10/83	820478-W	Grandfather*
17372	4/07/87	860532-WU	Amendment
22164	11/08/89	891158-W	

August Tobler
ISSUING OFFICER
President
TITLE

Copy of original -
will not need to change

~~SEVENTH~~ REVISED SHEET NO. 17.0
CANCELS FIFTH REVISED SHEET NO. 17.0

NAME OF COMPANY PLACID LAKES UTILITIES, INC.

WATER TARIFF

GENERAL SERVICE

RATE SCHEDULE GS

- AVAILABILITY - Available throughout the area served by the Company.
- APPLICABILITY - For water service to all customers for which no other schedule applies.
- LIMITATIONS - Subject to all of the Rules and Regulations of this tariff and General Rules and Regulations of the Commission.
- BILLING PERIOD - Monthly
- RATE -
- | Base Facility Charge
Meter Size | Commission
Approved Rates |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 5/8" x 3/4" | \$ 7.04 |
| 1" | 17.61 |
| 1 1/2" | 35.21 |
| 2" | 56.34 |
| 3" | 112.67 |
| 4" | 176.05 |
| 6" | 352.10 |
| 8" | 563.37 |
| 10" | 809.84 |
| <u>BASE FACILITY CHARGE</u> - 12" | \$ 1,514.04 |
| Gallonage Charge per 1,000 Gal | \$ 1.12 |
- TERMS OF PAYMENT - Bills are due and payable when rendered and become delinquent if not paid within twenty (20) days. After five (5) working days' written notice is mailed to the customer separate and apart from any other bill, service may then be discontinued.
- EFFECTIVE DATE - June 14, 1996
- TYPE OF FILING - Staff Assisted Rate Case

August Tobler
ISSUING OFFICER

President
TITLE

NAME OF COMPANY PLACID LAKES UTILITIES, INC.

WATER TARIFF

TERRITORY SERVED

CERTIFICATE NUMBER - 401-W

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SECOND REVISED SHEET NO. 4.0
CANCELS FIRST REVISED SHEET NO. 4.0

NAME OF COMPANY: PLACID LAKES UTILITIES, INC.

WATER TARIFF

COMMUNITIES SERVED LISTING

<u>COUNTY NAME</u>	<u>DEVELOPMENT NAME</u>	<u>RATE SCHEDULE(S) AVAILABILITY</u>	<u>SHEET NO.</u>
Highlands	Placid Lakes and a portion of Catfish Creek Road	Residential General Multi-Resident	17.0 16.0 18.0

August Tobler

ISSUING OFFICER

President

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NAME OF COMPANY PLACID LAKES UTILITIES, INC.

WATER TARIFF

COMMUNITIES SERVED LISTING

<u>County Name</u>	<u>Development Name</u>	<u>Rate Schedule(s) Available</u>	<u>Sheet No.</u>
Highlands	Placid Lakes	Residential General Multi-Resident	17.0 16.0 18.0

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LAKE PLACID, FL 33852



HOME SAVINGS BANK, F.S.B. # 2357
P.O. BOX 1047
LAKE PLACID, FL 33852-1047

February 19 1997

PAY TO THE ORDER OF **INSURED 100 DOLLARS** DOLLARS \$ **100.00**

Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Blvd
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

TO THE ORDER OF

Reginald Brewer
Scott Stutts