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RE: Docket No. 080250-SU; Mid-County Services, Inc.'s Application for an Increase in Wastewater Rates Increase in Pinellas County, Florida  
Our File No.: 30057.155

Dear Ms. Cole:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced docket is a Notice of Filing of the Affidavit of Mailing and the Affidavit of Mailing evidencing that the Initial Customer Notice has been sent to the customers of Mid-County Services, Inc.

Should you or the Staff have any questions regarding this filing, please do not hesitate to give me a call.

Very truly yours,



MARTIN S. FRIEDMAN  
For the Firm

MSF/tlc  
Enclosures

cc: John P. Hoy, Chief Regulatory Officer (w/enclosures) (via e-mail)  
Patrick C. Flynn, Regional Director (w/enclosures) (via e-mail)  
Ms. Deborah Swain (w/enclosures) (via e-mail)  
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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Application of  
MID-COUNTY SERVICES, INC.  
for an increase in wastewater  
rates in Pinellas County, Florida

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DOCKET NO. 080250-SU

NOTICE OF FILING

Applicant, MID-COUNTY SERVICES, INC., by and through its undersigned attorneys, hereby gives notice of filing in the above-referenced docket the Affidavit of Mailing evidencing that the Initial Customer Notice has been sent to the customers of Mid-County Services, Inc.

Respectfully submitted this 4<sup>th</sup> day of  
February, 2009, by:

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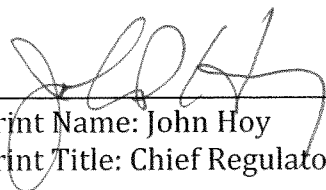
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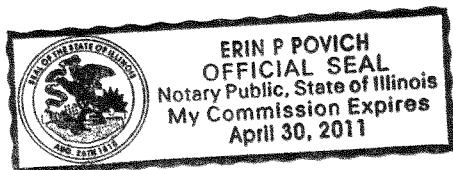
Before me, the undersigned authority, authorized to administer oaths and take acknowledgments, personally appeared John Hoy, who, after being duly sworn on oath, did depose on oath and say that he is the Chief Regulatory Officer of Utilities, Inc., the sole shareholder of Mid-County Services, Inc., and that on January 29, 2009, he did send by regular U.S. Mail, a copy of the Initial Customer Notice, attached hereto, to all customers of the utility.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name: John Hoy  
Print Title: Chief Regulatory Officer

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 30th day of January, 2009, by John Hoy, who is personally known to me.

  
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Print Name: Erin Povich  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
My Commission Expires: April 30, 2011



BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

**INITIAL CUSTOMER NOTICE**

TO THE CUSTOMERS OF  
MID-COUNTY SERVICES, INC.  
AND  
ALL OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS

RE: DOCKET NO. 080250-SU

APPLICATION FOR INCREASE IN WASTEWATER RATES IN PINELLAS COUNTY  
BY MID-COUNTY SERVICES, INC.

JANUARY 29, 2009

**BACKGROUND**

Mid-County Services, Inc. (the "Utility") is a wastewater utility whose corporate offices are located at 200 Weathersfield Avenue, Altamonte Springs, Florida. The Utility's wastewater facilities are located in Pinellas County, Florida.

The Utility filed an application with the Florida Public Service Commission (the "Commission") for increased wastewater rates for its Pinellas County customers on August 22, 2008. The application was assigned Docket No. 080250-SU, and November 17, 2008, was established as the official date of filing.

As reported in its Minimum Filing Requirements ("MFRs") filed with its application to the Commission, the Utility's revenues per books are \$1,624,065, with operating expenses per books of \$1,549,083, for its wastewater system, resulting in a net operating income of \$74,982, per books, before adjustments. The rate increase application has been filed by the Utility because of inadequate earnings. Copies of the MFRs will be available for inspection at the following locations:

Palm Harbor Library  
2330 Nebraska Avenue  
Palm Harbor, Florida 34683

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday  
10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
Friday - Saturday  
10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday (Closed)

Mid-County Services, Inc.  
200 Weathersfield Avenue  
Altamonte Springs, FL 32714

Office Hours:  
Monday through Friday  
8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

A "Rate Case Synopsis" will also be available, along with the application and MFRs. The test period for setting rates is the historical average thirteen-month period ended December 31, 2007.

The following tentative schedule was established by the Commission for the remaining major events in the Utility's rate case:

<u>Schedule Item</u>	<u>Due Date</u>
Staff Audit Report	12/29/2008 (completed)
Customer Meeting	02/25/2009
Staff's Proposed Agency Action ("PAA") Recommendation	04/09/2009
Agenda Conference on PAA Rates	04/21/2009
PAA Order	05/11/2009
Protest Period Expires	06/01/2009

### CURRENT AND PROPOSED CHARGES

The current and proposed rates and charges follow. These rates are subject to change based on information gathered at the customer meeting, further Staff review, and the final decision by the Commissioners.

<b>MID-COUNTY SERVICES, INC.</b>				
<u>Residential</u> <i>(Bi-Monthly Service Rates)</i>	<u>Rates Prior to Filing</u>	<u>Utility's Requested Interim Rates</u>	<u>Utility Requested Final Rates</u>	<u>Commission Approved Interim Rates</u>
Base Facility Charge all Meter Sizes:	\$31.84	\$35.49	\$39.49	\$33.39
Gallage Charge – Per 1,000 gallons (20,000 gallon cap)	\$3.19	\$3.56	\$3.96	\$3.35
<u>General Service</u> <i>(Bi-Monthly Service Rates)</i>	<u>Rates Prior to Filing</u>	<u>Utility's Requested Interim Rates</u>	<u>Utility Requested Final Rates</u>	<u>Commission Approved Interim Rates</u>
Base Facility Charge by Meter Size:				
5/8" x 3/4"	\$31.84	\$35.49	\$39.49	\$33.39
1"	\$81.70	\$91.07	\$101.34	\$85.68
1 1/2"	\$183.84	\$204.93	\$228.02	\$192.80

<b>MID-COUNTY SERVICES, INC.</b>				
2"	\$326.83	\$364.31	\$405.37	\$342.76
3"	\$735.58	\$819.93	\$912.33	\$771.42
4"	\$1,307.33	\$1,457.25	\$1,621.46	\$1,371.02
6"	\$2,941.90	\$3,279.27	\$3,648.80	\$3,085.24
Gallage Charge – Per 1,000 gallons (20,000 gallon cap)	\$3.19	\$4.27	\$4.76	\$4.02
<u>Multi-Residential – Metered</u> <u>(Bi-Monthly Service Rates)</u>	<u>Rates Prior to Filing</u>	<u>Utility’s Requested Interim Rates</u>	<u>Utility Requested Final Rates</u>	<u>Commission Approved Interim Rates</u>
Base Facility Charge by Meter Size:				
Flat Rate	\$62.52	\$69.79	\$77.66	\$65.66
5/8" x 3/4"	\$31.84	\$35.49	\$39.49	\$33.39
1"	\$81.70	\$91.07	\$101.34	\$85.68
1 1/2"	\$183.84	\$204.93	\$228.02	\$192.80
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Gallage Charge – Per 1,000 gallons (20,000 gallon cap)	\$4.61	\$5.12	\$5.70	\$4.82

**SERVICE AVAILABILITY CHARGES**

The Utility is not requesting any changes to its service availability charges. Even though not requested to do so, the Commission may review and adjust service availability charges.

**MISCELLANEOUS SERVICE CHARGES**

The Utility is not requesting any changes to its miscellaneous service charges. Even though not requested to do so, the Commission may review and adjust miscellaneous service charges.

Written comments regarding the Utility's service or the requested final rate increases may be sent to the Commission at the following address:

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

All comments should refer to Docket No. 080250-SU, which is the docket number that has been assigned to this case. Complaints regarding service may be made to the Commission's Division of Regulatory Compliance and Consumer Assistance at the following toll-free number: 1-800-342-3552.

If you have any questions, please call the Utility's office at (800) 272-1919.  
Mid-County Services, Inc.