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January 2, 2019

TO:

Adam Teitzman, Commission Clerk, Office of Commission Clerk

FROM:

Marissa Friedrich, Public Utility Analyst II, Division of Economics # 8H

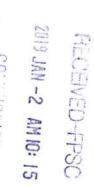
RE:

Docket No. 20180219-SU - Request for approval of amendment to tariff to charge

a standby charge to customers significantly impacted by Hurricane Michael in

Gulf County, by ESAD Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Beaches Sewer System.

Please add the attached mailing affidavit and customer notice to the documents section of the docket file.



## ESAD Enterprises, Inc. DBA Beaches Sewer Service P O Box 503 Port St Joe, FL 32457

January 2, 2019

Clerk of Florida Public Service Commission Tallahassee, FL

RE: notice Docket Number 20180219-SU

Dear Sir/Madam:

I certify that on the  $16^{th}$  of December, 2018 I mailed to all of our customers the attached notice per the Docket No. 20180219-SU.

Sincerely

Frank J Seifert

President

ESAD Enterprises, Inc.

## NOTICE TO THE UTILITY CUSTOMERS OF BEACHES SEWER SYSTEM AND ALL OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS DATED: DECEMBER \$\mathcal{E}\cdot 2018\$

On December 11, 2018, the Florida Public Service Commission approved the request of Beaches Sewer System (Beaches or utility) to implement a standby charge of \$11.79. The purpose of the standby charge is for the utility to provide a lower monthly amount to customers unable to utilize wastewater service due to extensive Hurricane Michael damage to their home or business. The standby charge also aims to maintain a stable revenue stream for Beaches in order for the utility to continue to provide safe and reliable service.

The utility previously identified 76 affected customers who are not able to utilize wastewater service and notified them of its intent to bill \$11.79 to these affected customers. This additional notice provides supplemental information relating to the change in billing and available standby charge. If there are additional customers being billed a flat rate of \$43.03 who believe they should be billed the standby charge of \$11.79 instead since they are not utilizing the utility's wastewater service, these customers should provide Beaches with proof that they are not receiving water service.

In the event an affected customer would prefer to discontinue service with the utility, the customer may file a written request with the utility for discontinuance of service and would no longer be billed either the standby charge of \$11.79 or the flat rate for wastewater service of \$43.03. However, if the customer discontinues service with the utility, if and when the customer is ready to resume wastewater service with the utility, the customer would be required to remit the appropriate miscellaneous service charge to re-establish a customer account with the utility.

Once the customer is ready to resume wastewater service at their location, it is the customer's responsibility to notify Beaches when the customer has resumed its water service with the City of Port St. Joe, in order for Beaches to transition from billing customer the standby charge of \$11.79 to its flat rate of \$43.03.

The standby charge is intended to be available to the customers of Beaches significantly affected by Hurricane Michael until all affected customers have either resumed or discontinued wastewater service with the utility. In January 2020, the utility is required to file a report with the Commission indicating the status of all affected customers and identifying the number, if any, of customers still being billed the approved standby charge. Once the utility has filed its required report, in January 2020, the Commission will evaluate the continuance of the standby charge.

Additionally, if there are customers who intend to demolish their residence due to extensive Hurricane Michael damage, please notify the utility prior to demolition.

If you have any questions regarding the utility's recently approved standby charge please contact utility President, Mr. Seifert at (850) 229-9292.