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DATE: May 29, 2025

TO: Adam J. Teitzman, Commission Clerk, Office of Commission Clerk

Robert Chambliss, Public Utility Analyst I, Division of Economics FROM:

RE: Docket No. 20240117-WS - Application for grandfather certificate to operate

water and wastewater utility in Citrus County, Hash Utilities, LLC (Forest Hills)

Please file the attached documents provided by Mr. Hash in the above-referenced docket. These documents are customer notices to inform customers of upcoming changes to their bills.

Date: May 23, 2025

To The Office of Commission Clerk Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

From: Hash Utilities, LLC. PO Box 4 Inglis, FL 34449

Ref: 2025 price index and miscellaneous service charges customer notices Hash Utilities, LLC for the Forest Hills Water System WU999

Hash Utilities mailed the attached customer notices on May 23, 2025, to the customers of the Forest Hills Water System via US Mail.

Thank you,

Marshall T. Hash

NOTICE

TO CUSTOMERS OF HASH UTILITIES, LLC. (FOREST HILLS) AND ALL OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS DATED: MAY 22, 2025

By Order No. PSC-2025-0144-PAA-WU, issued April 24, 2025, in Docket No. 20240117-WU, the Florida Public Service Commission (Commission) approved the grandfather certificate application and issued Certificate No. 687-W for Hash Utilities, LLC (Forest Hills) water system. The monthly water rates you were paying to Forest Hills will remain unchanged unless and until a change is approved by the Commission. The Commission confirmed the miscellaneous service charges pursuant to Rule 25-30.460, Florida Administrative Code. In addition, the Commission altered the cost of the tampering charge from \$150 to actual cost. The new changes are set forth below.

MISCELLANEOUS SERVICE CHARGES

Premises Visit \$45.00
Violation Reconnection Charge (Water) \$45.00
Tampering or Prohibited Connection or Use Charge Actual Cost
NSF Check Charge (Water and Wastewater) Pursuant to Section 68.065, F.S.
Late Payment Charge \$5.00

NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS

Pursuant to Section 367.081(4)(a), Florida Statutes, water and wastewater utilities are permitted to adjust the rates and charges to its customers without those customers bearing the additional expense of public hearing. These adjustments in rates would depend on increases or decreases in non-controllable expense subject to inflationary pressures such as chemicals, and other general operation and maintenance costs.

Pursuant to Section 367.081(4)(b), Florida Statutes, water and wastewater utilities are permitted to pass through, without a public hearing, a change in rates resulting from: an increase or decrease in rates charged for utility services received from a governmental agency or another regulated utility and which services were redistributed by the utility to its customers; an increase or decrease in the rates that it is charged for electric power, the amount of ad valorem taxes assessed against its used and useful property, the fees charged by the Department of Environmental Protection in connection with the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Program, or the regulatory assessment fees imposed upon it by the Commission; costs incurred for water quality or wastewater quality testing required by the Department of Environmental Protection; the fees charged for wastewater bio solids disposal; costs incurred for any tank inspection required by the Department of Environmental Protection or a local governmental authority; treatment plant and water distribution system operator license fees required by the Department of Environmental Protection or a local governmental authority; water or wastewater operating permit fees charged by the Department of Environmental Protection or a local governmental authority; and consumptive or water use permit fees charged by a water management district.

On March 10, 2025, Hash Utilities, LLC (Forest Hills), filed its 2024 Price Index application with the Florida Public Service Commission to increase water rates in Citrus County pursuant to this statute. Additionally, the Utility requested that its increase be delayed so that it could be combined and implemented with its 2025 Price Index application.

On April 1, 2025, the Utility filed its 2025 Price Index application. The Utility requested that it be combined with the previously filed 2024 Price Index application so that a single increase could be implemented.

The 2024 and 2025 Price Index applications are subject to review by the Commission Staff for accuracy and completeness.

The combined 2024 and 2025 Price Index rate increase is 3.94% for water services. The combined 2024 and 2025 Pass-Through rate increase is \$0.10 per 1,000 gallons for water. These rates should be reflected for services rendered on or after May 31, 2025.

Should you have any questions, please contact us at 352-613-0103. Please be sure to have your account number handy for quick reference.