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

Re: City of Lakeland, Florida – Revised Tariff Sheet

Dear Mr. Teitzman:

This letter is submitted on behalf of the City of Lakeland, Florida pursuant to Rules 25-9.05 through 25-9.071 of the *Florida Administrative Code*.

Electronically filed are the city's following revised tariff sheets in legislative and final filing formats:

- a. First Revised Sheets No. 5.0-5.1 - *Miscellaneous Electric Service Charges*.

Also included is a copy of the city's signed Ordinance No. 6089 providing information regarding the amendments and addition of an initial administrative set-up fee for the city's *Pay As You Go* Program.

Please feel free to contact our office with any questions.

Very truly yours,

/s/

Jody Lamar Finklea
General Counsel and Chief Legal Officer

MISCELLANEOUS
ELECTRIC SERVICE CHARGES

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(for each returned check and collection of unpaid bills)

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ORDINANCE NO. 6089

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 25-009

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE ELECTRIC UTILITY PROVIDING RATES FOR MISCELLANEOUS FEES AND CHARGES; AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 6061 RELATING TO MISCELLANEOUS FEES AND CHARGES; ESTABLISHING AN INITIAL SET UP ADMINISTRATIVE FEE FOR THE "PAY AS YOU GO" PROGRAM; PROVIDING DEFINITIONS; MAKING FINDINGS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Lakeland, through Lakeland Electric, has the authority to provide electric service within and beyond the corporate limit as provided in the Lakeland City Charter; and

WHEREAS, as a reasonable and necessary exercise of that authority, the City Commission of the City of Lakeland, Florida shall establish rates, rate classifications, as well as fees and charges, that are necessary to maintain and operate a financially viable electric utility system; and

WHEREAS, in 2014, Lakeland Electric established a voluntary "Pay As You Go" program for the purpose of offering its residential customers a flexible payment option to enable them to prepay their utility bill, as well as facilitate electric service activation by waiving security deposit requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Pay As You Go program initiative assists customers in engaging in cost-conscious energy usage and promotes energy conservation; and

WHEREAS, Lakeland Electric seeks to expand the Pay As You Go program to assist customers with past-due balances and related delinquent fees by offering a

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plan for such customers to gradually make payments on their utility accounts; and

WHEREAS, in order to further assist customers that participate in the Pay As You Go program, Lakeland Electric seeks to establish an initial one-time \$50.00 setup administrative fee to offset administrative costs associated with the program; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Lakeland finds it desirable to amend its existing miscellaneous fees and charges to establish an administrative fee for those residential customers seeking flexibility to pay and manage their utility bills by participating in the Pay As You Go program in order to ensure the continued sustainability and effectiveness of the program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAKELAND, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. The foregoing findings are incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof.

SECTION 2. Section 35 of Ordinance 6061 of the Code of the City of Lakeland, Florida is hereby amended as follows:

SECTION 35. MISCELLANEOUS FEES AND CHARGES

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SECTION 3. Ordinance is hereby amended. All other ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are also repealed.

SECTION 4. If any section, sub-section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance, for any reason, is held to be unconstitutional, void or invalid, the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

SECTION 5. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

PASSED AND CERTIFIED AS TO PASSAGE this 21st day of April, A.D. 2025.



H. WILLIAM MUTZ, MAYOR

ATTEST: 

KELLY S. ROOS, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND CORRECTNESS: 

PALMER C. DAVIS
CITY ATTORNEY

