

February 8, 2026

To: Florida Public Service Commission  
CC: Gov. Ron DeSantis

Re: Utility Rate Hikes – Docket #20250052-WS January 13, 2026  
CSWR – Florida Utility Operating Company  
Sebring Utilities – Wastewater rates

Sebring Utilities sewer rates were \$16.17 per month minimum charge, and \$3.51 per 1000 gallons.

In November 2025 the new rate became \$53.22 per month minimum charge, and \$11.55 per 1000 gallons. That is 3 ½ TIMES what it was, or a 230% increase.

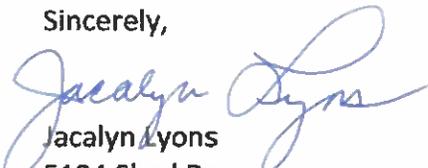
Now a new notice has been received asking for \$65.53 minimum charge, with \$14.22 per 1000 gallons. That will be 4 TIMES the original rate in less than a year.

I also noticed that of all the utility companies that CSWR handles in this docket that Sebring will pay the most, even though we're probably the poorest area that CSWR oversees.

When I received a notice of CSWR trying to purchase Sebring Utilities years ago, I wrote the Florida Commission about not approving a business that is out of state. That obviously was a waste of time.

I hope the Florida Public Service Commission puts some serious thought before another rate hike is considered.

Sincerely,

  
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