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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Mr. Adam J. Teitzman
Commission Clerk
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re: Docket No. 20250137-SU, Application for limited proceeding rate increase by Sunshine Water Services Company d/b/a Sunshine Water Services.

Dear Mr. Teitzman:

Attached for filing in the above docket is Sunshine Water Services Company's Prehearing Statement.

Thank you for your assistance in connection with this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'V. Ponder'.

Virginia L. Ponder

VLP/dk
Attachment

cc: All parties of record (w/attachment)

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Application for limited proceeding
rate increase by Sunshine Water Services
Company d/b/a Sunshine Water Services.

DOCKET NO.: 20250137-SU

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**SUNSHINE WATER SERVICES COMPANY'S
PREHEARING STATEMENT**

Pursuant to Order No. PSC PSC-2025-0460-PCO-SU, issued December 19, 2025, in this docket, Sunshine Water Services Company ("SWS" or the "Company") submits the following prehearing statement:

A. APPEARANCES

J. JEFFRY WAHLEN
VIRGINIA PONDER
MATT J. JONES
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Post Office Box 391
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On behalf of Sunshine Water Services Company

B. WITNESSES

All Known Witnesses:

Witness	Subject Matter	Issues
Seán Twomey (Direct)	Describes the Mid-County Wastewater Treatment Plant ("WWTP") project (the "Mid-County WWTP Project" or the "Project") and its associated costs.	1-3
Dante M. DeStefano (Direct)	Presents the revenue requirement calculations and resulting impacts to the wastewater rates for SWS related to the Application for limited proceeding addressing the Company's Mid-County WWTP Project.	1-3

C. EXHIBITS

All Known Exhibits:

Witness	Proffered By	Exhibit No.	Description	Issue #
Seán Twomey	SWS	ST-2	Mid-County WWTP Project	1-5
Dante M. DeStefano	SWS	DMD-1 (as revised on March 18, 2026)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Schedule 1 (current and proposed wastewater tariff rates) 2. Schedule 2 (calculation of the percentage rate increase over annualized revenues) 3. Schedule 3 (revenue requirement calculation) 4. Schedule 4 (rate of return) 5. Schedule 5 (statement of operations) 6. Schedule 6 (utility plant increases by NARUC account) 7. Schedule 7 (utility plant, deferred charges, and contributions in aid of construction retirements by NARUC account) 8. Schedule 8 (adjustments) 9. Schedule 9 (accumulated depreciation and depreciation expense by NARUC account) 10. Schedule 10 (increases in taxes other than income) 11. Schedule 11 (capital structure and weighted cost of capital) 12. (annualized wastewater revenues) 13. Schedule 13 (estimated changes in operations and maintenance expenses) 	1-5

D. STATEMENT OF BASIC POSITION

In accordance with the Company’s revised Exhibit DMD-1, filed March 18, 2026 (Document No. 01603-2026)(“Revised Exhibit DMD-1”), SWS proposes to increase its base rates and charges by \$4,590,999 annually to reflect cost recovery of the amount of \$27,975,848 for the Mid-County WWTP Project. The Project, which involved the upgrade of the Mid-County facility, will provide SWS’ customers served by this facility meaningful benefits, including: (1) the treatment of influent to permitted nutrient removal levels; (2) addressing existing process and operational deficiencies, (3) providing overall plant reliability and redundancy, (4) increasing hydraulic capacity, and (5) providing a consistent

and reliable service. The Project improves the ability of SWS to provide safe, reliable, and environmentally sound wastewater treatment services to its customers in accordance with applicable rules. The Company respectfully requests that the Florida Public Service Commission (“Commission”) grant an increase in wastewater rates consistent with the Company’s Application for Limited Proceeding for the recovery of costs associated with the Mid-County WWTP Project.

E. STATEMENT OF ISSUES AND POSITIONS

ISSUE 1: Should the Utility’s requested increases be approved as filed? If not, what adjustments should be made?

SWS: No. The adjustments reflected in Revised Exhibit DMD-1 include the proper increases to be approved. The adjustments address errors identified by the Office of Public Counsel and Commission staff which increase the Company’s initial request by \$42,224. (Twomey, DeStefano)

ISSUE 2: What are the appropriate rates for the Utility’s wastewater system?

SWS: The appropriate increase to the Company’s wastewater rates is 13.43 percent based on the calculated revenue requirement for the Project and the annualized revenues at current rates. The appropriate increase to base rates and charges is \$4,590,999 annually. (DeStefano)

ISSUE 3: Should the Commission grant the Utility’s request to defer recovery of rate case expense to its next base rate case proceeding?

SWS: Yes. The Company should be allowed to defer its rate case expense to be considered for recovery in its next base rate case filing. (DeStefano)

ISSUE 4: Should this docket be closed?

SWS: Yes. This docket should be closed after the Commission has issued its final order and the time for filing an appeal has expired.

F. STIPULATED ISSUES

SWS: None at this time.

G. PENDING MOTIONS

SWS: None at this time.

H. PENDING REQUESTS OR CLAIMS FOR CONFIDENTIALITY

SWS: None at this time.

I. OBJECTIONS TO A WITNESS'S QUALIFICATIONS

SWS: None.

J. REQUEST FOR SEQUESTRATION OF WITNESSES

SWS: The Company does not request the sequestration of witnesses.

K. COMPLIANCE WITH ORDER ESTABLISHING PROCEDURE

SWS: The Company has complied with all requirements of the Order Establishing Procedure No. PSC-2025-0460-PCO-SU.

DATED this 25th day of March, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Prehearing Statement, filed on behalf of Sunshine Water Services Company, has been furnished by electronic mail on the 25th day of March 2026 to the following:

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