

**FINAL ORDER NO. 2017-01**  
**COLLIER COUNTY WATER AND WASTEWATER AUTHORITY**

**A FINAL ORDER OF THE COLLIER COUNTY WATER AND WASTEWATER AUTHORITY, PURSUANT TO COLLIER COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 96-6, AS AMENDED, REGARDING AVE MARIA UTILITY COMPANY, LLLP'S WATER AND WASTEWATER RATES AND SERVICE AVAILABILITY CHARGES; PROVIDING THE EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, Ave Maria Utility Company, LLLP (UTILITY) is the holder of a certificate for the provision of water and wastewater services to certain portions of Collier County; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016, the UTILITY submitted its Application for Increase in Rates to the Growth Management Department Operations & Regulatory Management Division Utility Regulation Section (STAFF); and

**WHEREAS**, STAFF's engineering and rate consultant, Burton & Associates (BURTON), submitted its findings and recommendations regarding UTILITY'S application by means of a Final Report dated November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2016; and

**WHEREAS**, the UTILITY accepted all findings in BURTON's Final Report, including all modifications regarding schedules, final water and sewer rates, and service availability charges; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017, the Collier County Water and Wastewater Authority (AUTHORITY) held a duly advertised public hearing to consider the petition submitted by the UTILITY; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017, the AUTHORITY held a duly advertised public hearing near the UTILITY's certificated area to receive public comment regarding the increase in rates and service availability charges; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017, the AUTHORITY held a duly advertised public hearing to consider the petition and to receive evidence and testimony; and

**WHEREAS**, at these public hearings, the AUTHORITY has considered the UTILITY's application for increases in rates in accordance with the factors described in Section 1-6.L. of Ordinance 96-6, as amended.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** by the Collier County Water and Wastewater Authority, in public meeting assembled, that pursuant to Collier County Ordinance No. 96-6, as amended:

1. Water Tariff sheets "Tenth Revised Sheet No. 13.0", "Eleventh Revised Sheet No. 14.0", and "Third Revised Sheet No. 17.0", and Wastewater Tariff sheets "First Revised Sheet No. 11.0", "Tenth Revised Sheet No. 12.0", "Eleventh Revised Sheet No. 13.0", "Tenth Revised Sheet No.