

# **Annual Operating and Capital Budget**

**Budget Year 2018** 

#### **Executive Summary**

Gainesville Regional Utilities' (GRU) proposed Fiscal Year 2018 capital and operating budget presents a framework for providing safe, reliable, competitively priced utility services in an environmentally responsible manner that contributes to the quality of life in our community.

Absent from this proposed budget is any discussion of ongoing negotiations to purchase Gainesville Renewable Energy Center (GREC) and terminate the 30-year Power Purchase Agreement (PPA).

The potential benefits of a GREC purchase and PPA termination could have a profound positive impact on FY18 and future budgets. In acknowledgement of the approvals needed before any deal can be cemented, GRU staff has presented a conservative budget that supports our vision of emphasizing best practices and optimizing all aspects of the organization for the benefit of our customers and the community at large.

In the proposed FY18 budget, staff recommends a 2 percent increase for electric base rates. This represents the first electric base rate increase since FY12. Staff also recommends an increase to the fuel and purchased power adjustment charge from \$0.070/kWh to \$0.075/kWh. GRU will implement the change Aug. 1, 2017, largely due to a 30 percent increase in natural gas prices compared to 2016 lows. The impact to a monthly residential electric bill based on 1,000 kWh will be \$6.15. The proposed bill amount of \$136.55 will be \$15.46 above the City Commission's goal of rates within one half of one standard deviation above the mean (\$121.09) for all Florida electric utilities.

Staff is proposing no base rate increases for the water, wastewater or natural gas systems.

As always, GRU's chief priorities are maintaining financial strength, sustaining and enhancing system reliability and improving both customer service and employee engagement.

#### **Challenges**

As with most utilities, GRU will continue to be challenged by ongoing regulatory pressure in all systems. These pressures include additional costs in the electric system associated with increased compliance for North American Electric Reliability Corporation standards and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency rules regulating the disposal of coal combustion residuals.

GRU's biggest challenge will be its transformation into a modern utility determined to adopt a private-industry model of efficiency. While GRU already provides a value-added service, the organization must reach beyond the meter to provide additional services such

as real-time pricing, alternative-power products, improved access to information and smoother interactions.

The proposed fiscal year 2018 budget reflects staffs' best efforts to balance the direction of the City Commission and the challenges confronting the Utility across all systems.

#### **Systems**

#### Electric

Total electric energy sales through May 2017 are 1.5 percent lower than projected. This decrease can be largely attributed to warmer-than-typical winter weather conditions.

Staff is recommending a 2 percent increase in the revenue requirement, and is proposing a rate increase for the electric system in fiscal year 2018 for the first time since fiscal year 2012. With the \$5 million increase to the fuel and purchased power adjustment implemented in August 2017, staff projects the electric system fuel-levelization balance to be \$721,000 at the end of fiscal year 2017 and (\$4.0 million) at the end of fiscal year 2018.

While GRU has mitigated costs by keeping GREC in cold standby for extended periods, optimizing its own portfolio of generating assets and purchasing power from other sources, capital projects at the Deerhaven Generating Station, J.R. Kelly Generation Station and South Energy Center (SEC) are needed to improve reliability, produce long-term savings or generate revenue.

Deerhaven receives the bulk of a \$14.1 million proposed capital budget request to complete improvements on Unit 2 of \$4.5 million and Gas Turbine 3 of \$3.6 million. As a cost-savings measure, Energy Supply has performed the diagnostics and analytics required to move from a 12-month to an 18-month planned outage frequency, reducing non-labor outage costs by 25 to 30 percent over the next three years. By transitioning Deerhaven Unit 2 to an 18-month outage frequency, GRU will save approximately \$5 million over the next six years.

Energy Supply has increased its original fiscal year 2018 budget for SEC expansion to accommodate the needs of UF Health's Heart & Vascular and Neuromedicine hospitals. GRU recovers expenses related to SEC expansion through its contract with UF Health. Net revenues from the SEC flow into the electric fund and help provide rate relief for GRU electric customers.

#### **Natural Gas**

GRU is recommending no natural gas rate increases for fiscal year 2018. Natural gas is estimated to satisfiscal year 20 42 percent of total system load in the upcoming fiscal year. During last year's budget process, an increase of 3 percent was projected.

Projections for gas sales and revenue are approximately 13 percent and 12 percent below forecast, respectively, due largely to the mild winter.

Staff has recommended an increase to the Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) from 23 cents per therm to 33 cents per therm beginning August 2017. This increase is largely due to a 30 percent increase in natural gas prices compared to 2016 lows. Staff forecasts a PGA levelization balance of \$538,000 at the close of fiscal year 2017 and a negative balance of (\$381,000) by the end of fiscal year 2018.

The increased purchased gas adjustment will result in a net increase of \$2.50 for residential customers with usage of 25 therms per month. Even with this increase, GRU's natural gas prices remain among the lowest in Florida.

Additionally, the gas system will continue to improve the efficiency and reliability of its arterial system through projects focused on satisfying increased demand and meeting the needs of customers in new and existing developments.

#### Water/Wastewater

Staff is recommending no base rate revenue requirement increase for the water and wastewater systems in FY18 after projecting a 3 percent increase for both systems during the fiscal year 2017 budget process.

In the water system, sales and revenue projections are 7.5 percent and 9.5 percent above forecast, respectively. This increase in customer usage is largely attributable to lower-than-average levels of rainfall through May.

Wastewater sales and revenue projections are 3.3 percent and 4.1 percent above forecast, respectively. The wastewater system continues to incur expenses related to regulatory compliance, including operation of the biosolids-dewatering facility and management expenses related to the Paynes Prairie Sheetflow Restoration Project and Sweetwater Wetlands Park.

#### **GRUCom**

GRUCom's continued expansion is a key factor to achieving GRU's strategic initiatives, specifically the integration of Enterprise Resource Planning for all systems. Maintaining and expanding GRUCom with a model of right-sizing and right-placing external resources to maximize value to GRU operations – simultaneously maximizing value to all GRU customers – will effectively transform GRU into one of the most innovative and financially stable utilities in the country. GRUCom's principle value to GRU, and therefore all GRU customers, is as the information technology backbone of both GRU and the City of Gainesville.

#### **Summary**

The chart below illustrates the residential price changes recommended by staff and described previously. These changes use the standard industry compares for a residential customer for fiscal year 2017 and fiscal year 2018. About 70 percent of customers receive three services (electric, water and wastewater) and about 30 percent receive all four services.

System	Usage	June 2017 Bill	Base Rate Change	Fuel Change	Proposed FY18 Bill
Electric	1,000 kWh	\$130.40	\$1.15	\$5.00	\$136.55
Gas	25 therms	\$ 32.64	No change	\$2.50	\$ 35.14
Water	7 kgal	\$ 30.50	No change	na	\$ 30.50
Wastewater	7 kgal	\$ 53.20	No change	na	\$ 53.20
Total		\$246.74	\$1.15	\$7.50	\$255.39

June 2017 Electric and Gas bills based on Fuel Adjustment of \$0.070/kWh and Purchased Gas Adjustment of \$0.23/therm. Proposed FY18 Electric and Gas bills based on Fuel Adjustment of \$0.075/kWh and Purchase Gas Adjustment of \$0.33/therm.

Rate relief, especially for electric customers, remains GRU's key budget driver. GRU is most valuable to customers when financial strength is maximized to increase competitiveness by reducing system revenue requirements, lowering rates and debt levels and increasing organizational resources.

GRU's strategic initiatives are focused on improving workflow processes, eliminating barriers to efficiencies and increasing competitiveness through projects such as our OneSAP system upgrade and business-minded decision such as the pending GREC purchase.

GRU's peer utilities across Florida and the nation are reporting similar trends with slower sales and growth, increasing fixed costs and the resulting pressure on base rates. Despite these challenges, GRU maintains high ratings and stable outlooks from Fitch, Moody's and Standard & Poor's.

This can be attributed in part to the deliberation and care put into the budgeting and ratemaking process. GRU will continue striving to become the best regional utility in Florida by providing dependable, competitively priced services while investing in business decisions and people who facilitate the optimum long-term benefits to our community.

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**Section A – Budget Overview** 

#### **System Overview**

#### Electric System

The Energy Supply department operates and maintains the J.R. Kelly Generating Station with a net summer generation capability of 108 Megawatts (MW), the Deerhaven Generating Station (DH1 and DH2) with a total net summer generation capability of 409 MW and the South Energy Center (SEC) with a net summer capability of 3.5 MW. In addition, the System also has two Power Purchase Agreements (PPA): one for all of the available energy, delivered energy and environmental attributes from a 102.5 MW biomass fuel generating facility, Gainesville Renewable Energy Center (GREC), located on property leased from GRU and one for the entire output generated from landfill gas derived from the baseline landfill in Marion County, which has a net summer capability of 3.7 MW. The total combined generating and PPA resources for GRU are 626.7 MW.

The Energy Delivery department operates 120 miles of 138 Kilovolt (KV) and 230 KV transmission lines, 562 miles of 12 KV overhead distribution lines, 857 miles of 12 KV underground distribution lines and 10 substations. The department is also responsible for the construction and maintenance of all GRU-owned substations as well as all transmission and distribution infrastructure including: conductors, cables and wires, poles, protection devices, isolating and interrupting devices, voltage regulators, meters, control systems and lighting systems.

#### Water System

The Water System operates and maintains the Murphree Water Treatment Plant, which has a treatment capacity of 54 million gallons of water per day (MGD). The plant is responsible for providing safe, reliable, high-quality drinking water to customers at acceptable pressures and volumes. The System is also responsible for construction, operation and maintenance in excess of 1,145 miles of water transmission and distribution mains, as well as the installation and maintenance of water meters, fire hydrants and backflow prevention devices.

#### Wastewater System

The Wastewater System operates and maintains the 14.9 MGD treatment facility at Kanapaha Water Reclamation Facility, the 7.5 MGD treatment facility at Main Street Water Reclamation Facility, 168 lift stations, 634 miles of gravity main, 141 miles of associated force main and 28 miles of reclaimed water mains. Responsibilities include pumping, treating and discharging high-quality treated effluent that meets federal and state drinking water standards, and providing high-quality reclaimed water to residential and business customers primarily for irrigation. The System also administers the Utility's industrial pretreatment, biosolids, grease and backflow prevention programs.

#### *Gas System*

The Gas System covers approximately 115 square miles and provides service to 30 percent of Alachua County's population. The System is responsible for the construction, operation and maintenance of six natural gas gate stations, as well as all transmission and distribution system infrastructure, including 774 miles of pipelines in various sizes and materials, valves, pressure regulators, protection devices, odorant

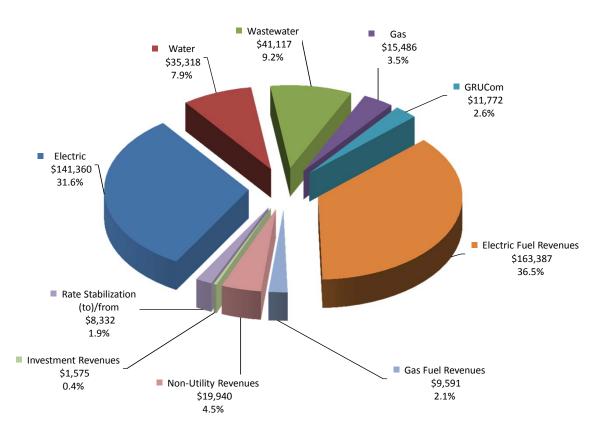
injection systems, meters and control systems. The System also includes a number of propane gas distribution systems operated in developments where natural gas is not yet available.

#### GRUCom System

The Telecommunications System (GRUCom) provides communications services utilizing a 526 mile fiber-optic network. GRUCom's three basic product lines include telecommunication and data services, public safety radio and tower leasing services. GRUCom is divided into several operating units, including business management, engineering, construction, electronics, network operations and public safety radio system. The GRUCom fiber-optic network continues to expand, providing customers with unmatched service and reliability.

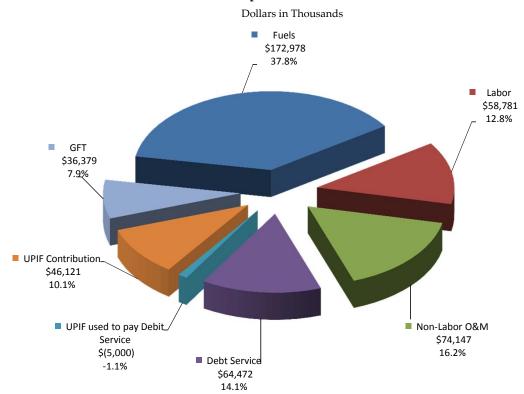
#### Fiscal Year 2018 Revenues

Dollars in Thousands



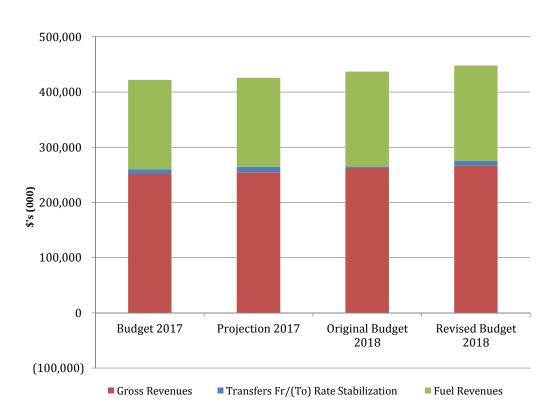
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	Bu	dget 2017	Pro	jection 2017	2018			2018
Revenues:								
Electric	\$	132,339	\$	130,624	\$	141,096	\$	141,360
Water		34,378		36,258		35,086		35,318
Wastewater		41,846		41,774		42,680		41,117
Gas		14,987		15,046		15,514		15,486
GRUCom		11,080		11,248		11,323		11,772
Electric Fuel Revenues		153,980		153,734		160,188		163,387
Gas Fuel Revenues		7,697		7,420		11,963		9,591
Non-Utility Revenues		15,173		18,168		15,478		19,940
Investment Revenues		1,649		1,676		1,304		1,575
Rate Stabilization (to)/from		8,822		9,752		2,330		8,332
<b>Total Revenues</b>	\$	421,951	\$	425,700	\$	436,962	\$	447,878

#### Fiscal Year 2018 Expenses and Uses of Net Revenues



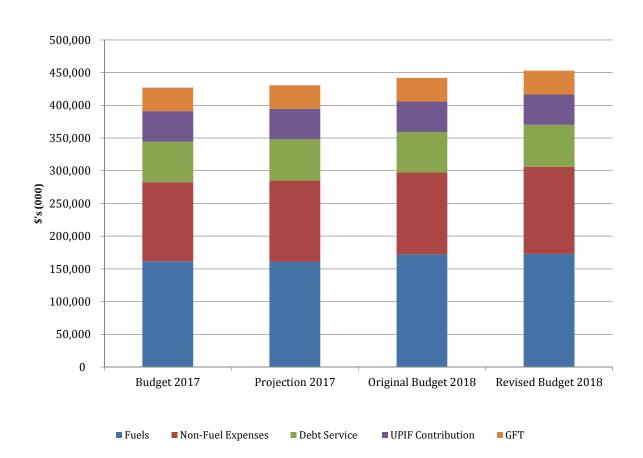
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Expenses and Use of Net Revenues:								
Fuels	\$	161,675	\$	161,153	\$	172,150	\$	172,978
Labor		57,257		53,992		58,642		58,781
Non-Labor O&M		63,463		69,843		66,650		74,147
Debt Service		61,884		63,019		61,893		64,472
UPIF used to pay Debit Service		(5,000)		(5,000)		(5,000)		(5,000)
UPIF Contribution		46,858		46,858		46,466		46,121
GFT		35,814		35,835		36,161		36,379
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#### **Revenues Trend**



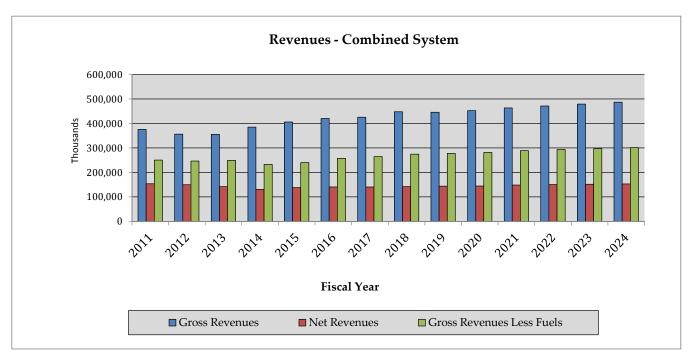
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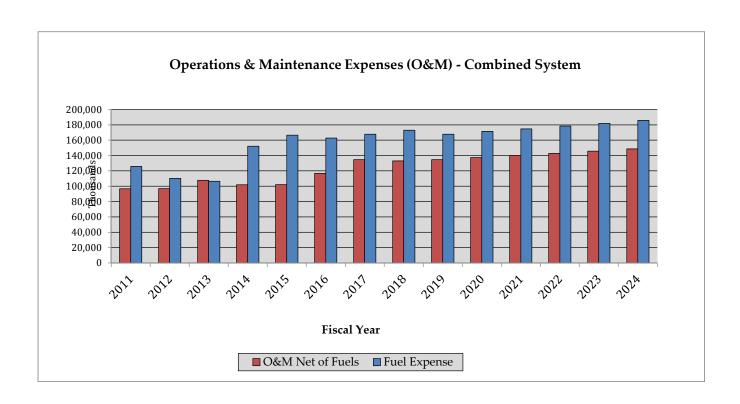
#### **Expenses Trend**

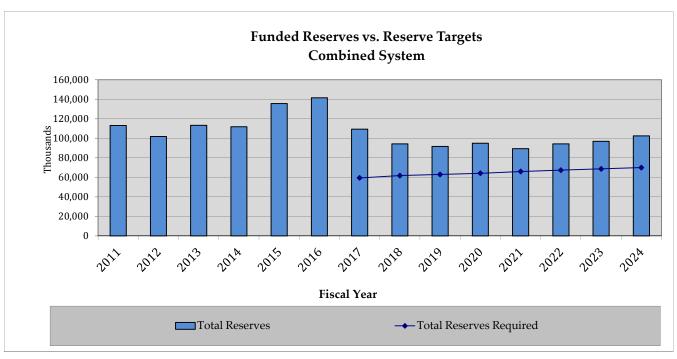


	Bu	dget 2017	Pı	rojection 2017	Ori	iginal Budget 2018	Rev	vised Budget 2018
Fuels	\$	161,675	\$	161,153	\$	172,150	\$	172,978
Labor - Operations		35,042		33,229		36,089		34,971
Labor - Administrative		22,215		20,763		22,553		23,810
Total Labor		57,257		53,992		58,642		58,781
0&M - Operations		32,081		33,562		34,727		37,836
0&M - Administrative		31,382		36,281		31,923		36,311
Total O&M		63,463		69,843		66,650		74,147
Total Expenses		282,395		284,988		297,442		305,906
Debt Service		61,884		63,019		61,893		64,472
UPIF used to pay Debt Service		(5,000)		(5,000)		(5,000)		(5,000)
UPIF Contribution		46,858		46,858		46,466		46,121
GFT		35,814		35,835		36,161		36,379
Total Use of Net Revenues		139,556		140,712		139,520		141,972
<b>Total Expenses and Use of Net Revenues</b>	\$	421,951	\$	425,700	\$	436,962	\$	447,878

### **Key Financial Metrics**

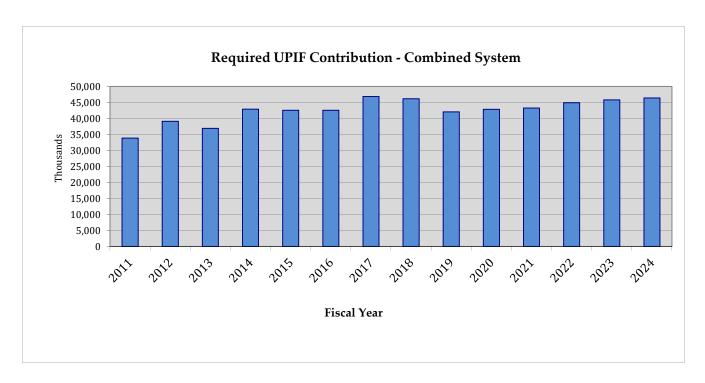




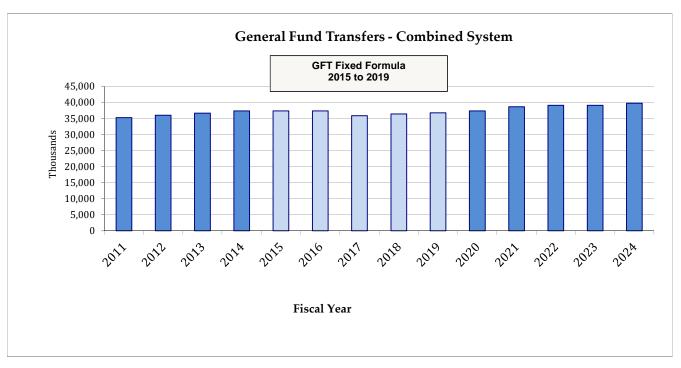




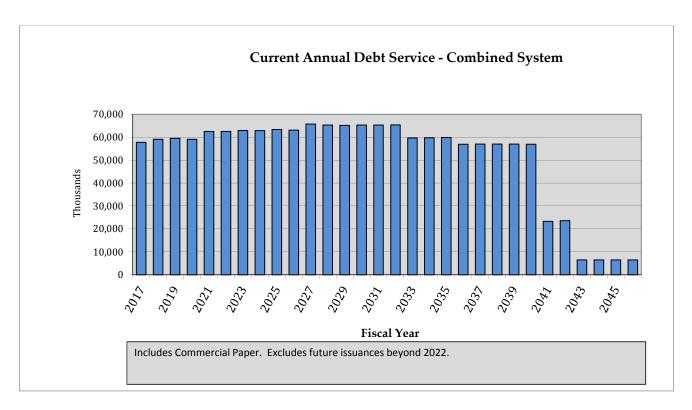
Positive numbers reflect a deposit into the Rate Stabilization Fund (RSF). This indicates that Utility revenues were greater than expenses, including General Fund Transfer, Debt Service and UPIF contributions. Negative numbers reflect a withdrawal from the Rate Stabilization Fund. This indicates that Utility revenues were less than expenses, including General Fund Transfers, Debt Service and UPIF contributions. RSF activity is projected over the planning horizon to manage rates and mitigate significant pricing variances to customers.

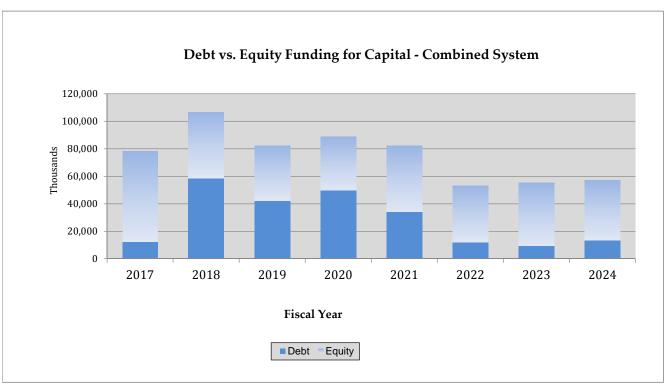


The Utility Plant Improvement Fund (UPIF) Contribution is required by the Utilities System Revenue Bond Resolution, as amended.



The General Fund Transfer (GFT) represents transfers to the City of Gainesville's General Fund, in total, for all systems.

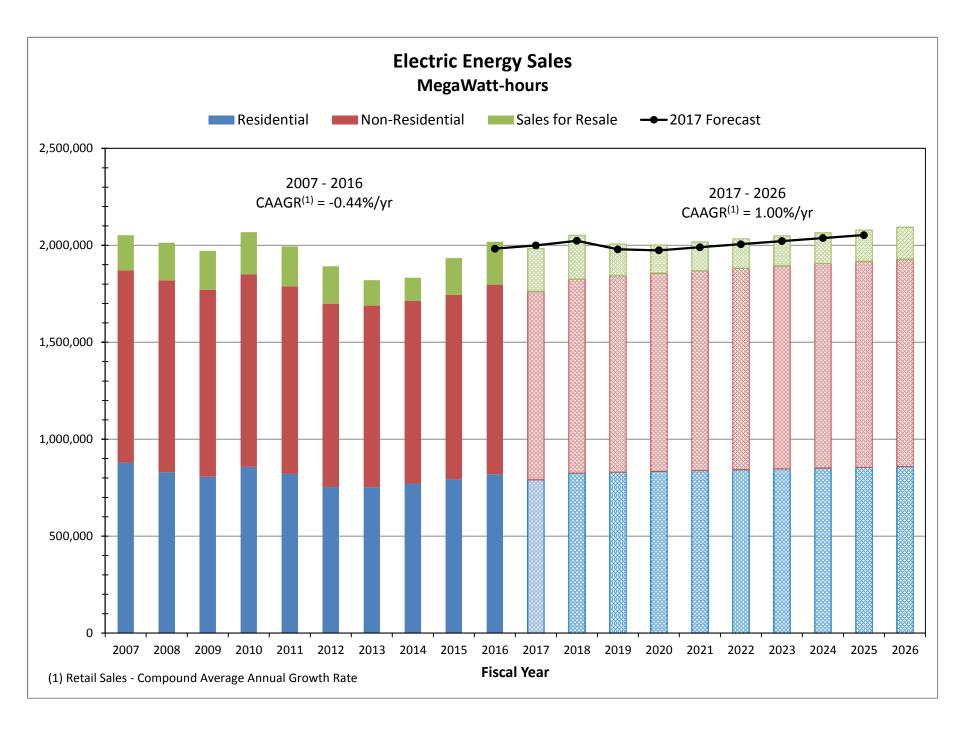


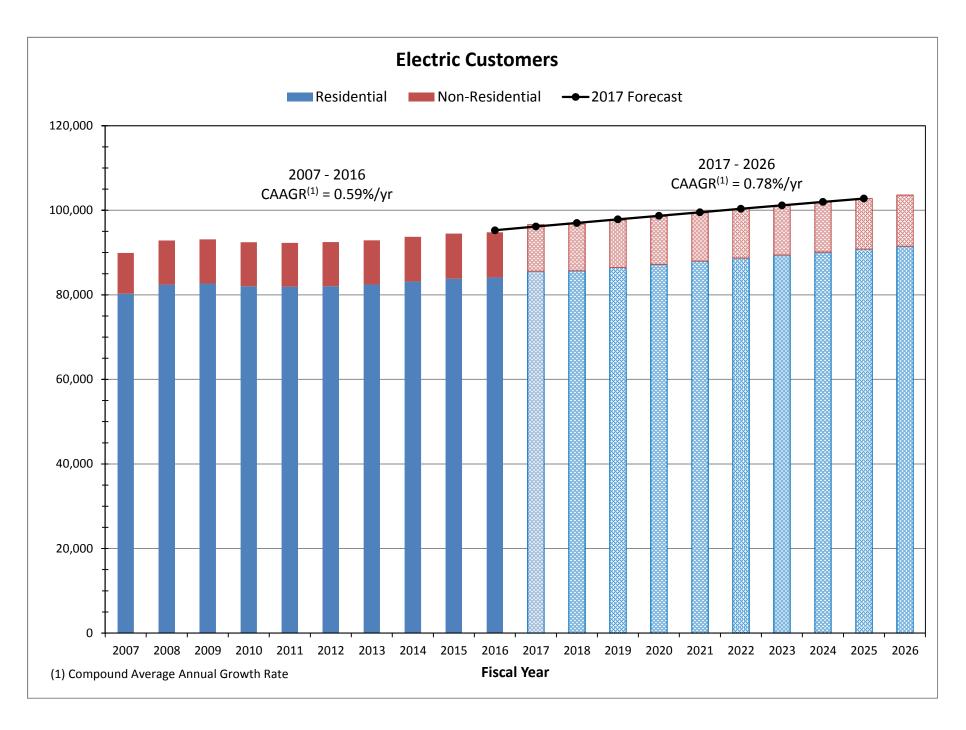


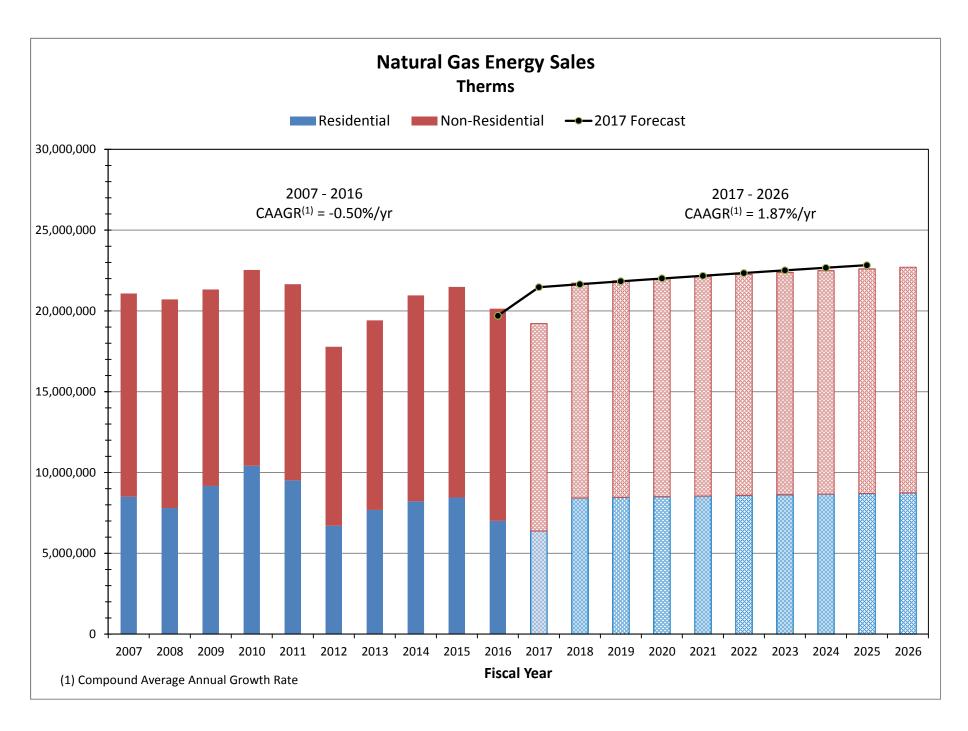
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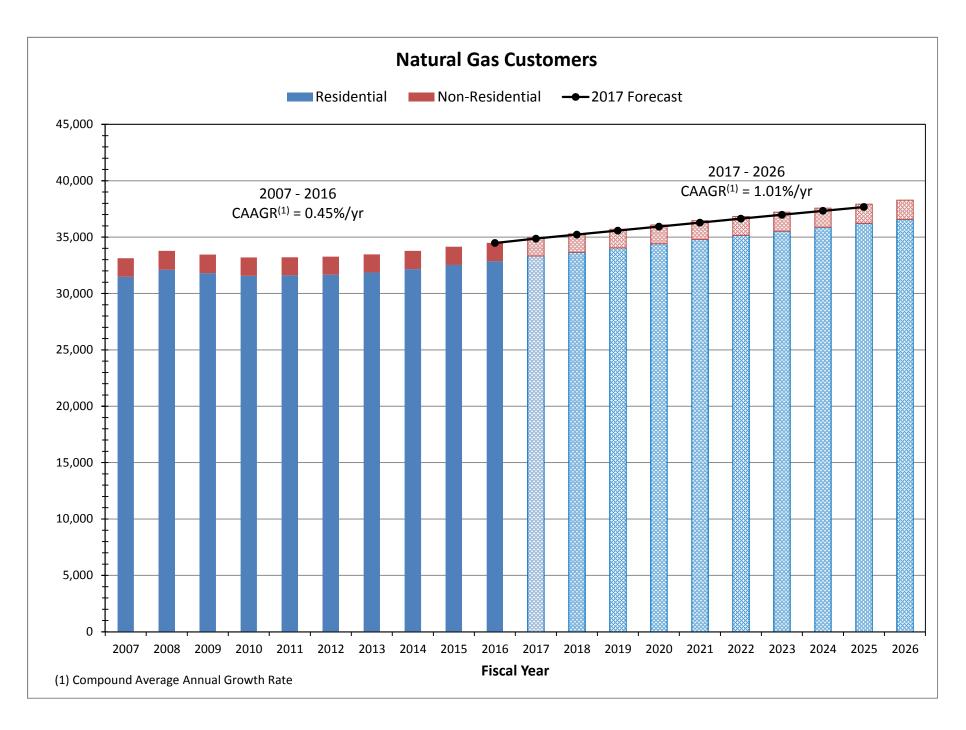
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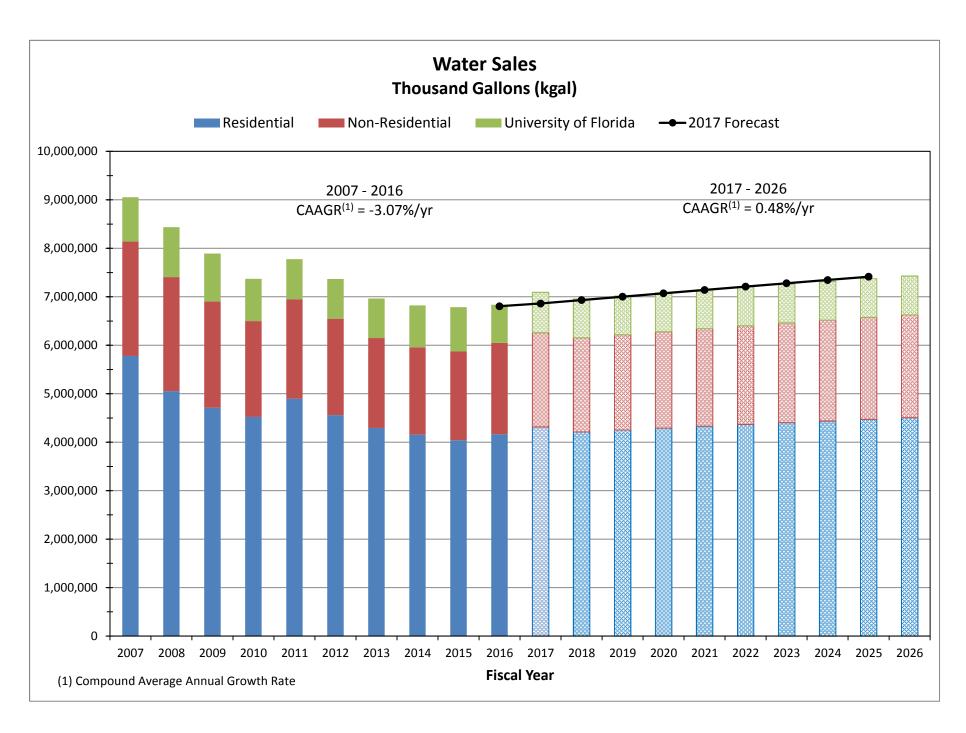
Electric	Consumption	Fiscal Year 2017 Rate	Fiscal Year 2018 Rate
Residential Customer Charge	Per Bill	\$ 14.25	\$ 14.2
Residential	Tier One (1-850 kWh)	\$ 0.043	\$ 0.04
Residential	Tier Two (851 kWh or more)	\$ 0.064	\$ 0.066
General Service Non-Demand Customer Charge	Per Bill	\$ 29.50	\$ 29.50
General Service Non-Demand	Tier One (1-1500 kWh)	\$ 0.069	\$ 0.07
General Service Non-Demand	Tier Two (1501 kWh or more)	\$ 0.100	\$ 0.103
General Service Demand Customer Charge	Per Bill	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.0
General Service Demand Charge	Per kW	\$ 8.50	\$ 8.5
General Service Energy Charge	Per kWh	\$ 0.0400	\$ 0.041
Large Power Customer Charge	Per Bill	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.0
Large Power Demand Charge	Per kW	\$ 8.50	\$ 8.50
Large Power Energy Charge	Per kWh	\$ 0.0360	\$ 0.037
Water	Consumption	Fiscal Year 2017 Rate	Fiscal Year 2018 Rate
Residential Customer Charge (5/8 " & 3/4")	Per Bill	\$ 9.45	No Change
Residential	Tier One (1-4 kgals)	\$ 2.45	No Change
Residential	Tier Two (5-16 kgals)	\$ 3.75	No Change
Residential	Tier Three (17 kgals or more)	\$ 6.00	No Change
Multi-Family Customer Charge	Per Bill	Based on Meter Size	Based on Meter Size
Multi-Family	All kgals	\$ 3.75	No Change
Irrigation Residential Customer Charge	Per Bill	\$ 9.45	No Chang
Irrigation Residential	Tier One (1-12 kgals)	\$ 3.75	No Change
Irrigation Residential	Tier Two (13 kgals or more)	\$ 6.00	No Change
Commercial Customer Charge	Per Bill	Based on Meter Size	Based on Meter Size
Commercial	All kgals	\$ 3.85	No Change
Irrigation Commercial Customer Charge	Per Bill	Based on Meter Size	Based on Meter Size
Irrigation Commercial	All kgals	\$ 4.60	No Change
Wastewater	Consumption	Fiscal Year 2017 Rate	Fiscal Year 2018 Rate
All Customers	Per Bill	\$ 9.10	No Change
	All kgals	\$ 6.30	No Change
Reclaimed Water	Per Bill	\$ 9.10	No Change
	All kgals	\$ 0.95	No Change
Natural Gas	Consumption	Fiscal Year 2017 Rate	Fiscal Year 2018 Rate
Residential Customer Charge	Per Bill	\$ 9.75	No Change
Residential Energy Charge	Per Therm	\$ 0.6300	No Change
Residential - MGP Charge	Per Therm	\$ 0.0556	No Change
Small Commercial Customer Charge	Per Bill	\$ 20.00	No Change
Small Commercial Energy Charge	Per Therm	\$ 0.6200	No Change
Small Commercial MGP Charge	Per Therm	\$ 0.0556	No Change
Commercial Customer Charge	Per Bill	\$ 45.00	No Chang
Commercial Energy Charge	Per Therm	\$ 0.4400	No Change
Commercial MGP Charge	Per Therm	\$ 0.0556	No Change
Large Commercial Customer Charge	Per Bill	\$ 400.00	No Change
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Large Commercial Energy Charge	Per Therm	\$ 0.2700	No Change

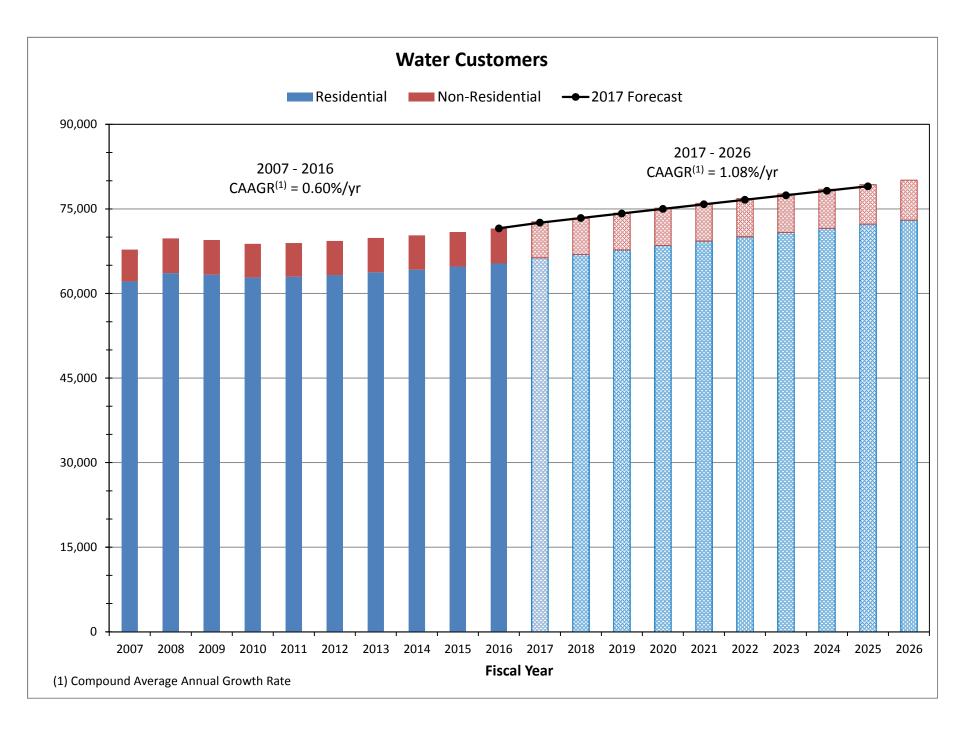


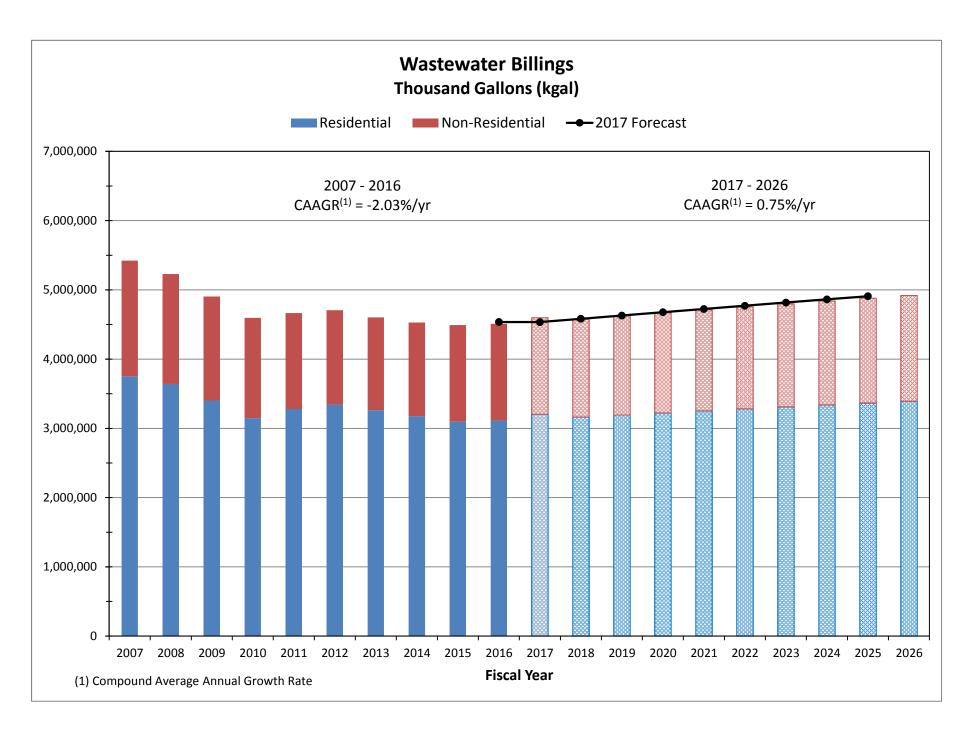


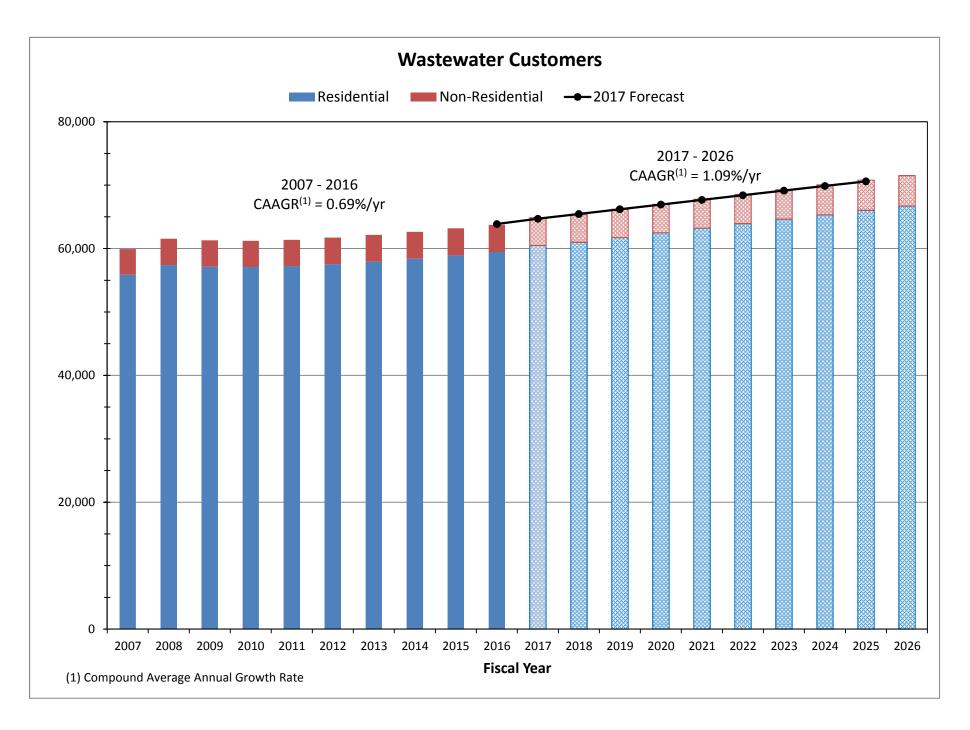












Section B – Flow of Funds

# **Combined System**

	Budget 2017	Projection 2017	Original Budget 2018	Revised Budget 2018
Revenues:	Buuget 2017	110,000.011		
Sales Revenue	\$ 220,732,152	\$ 222,606,263	\$ 231,367,451	\$ 233,016,937
Fuel Adjustment Revenue	153,980,032	153,733,512	160,187,660	163,387,381
PGA Revenue	7,696,897	7,419,800	11,963,422	9,591,330
Surcharge Revenue	9,113,777	8,894,676	9,451,306	8,962,817
Connection Revenue	4,786,121	3,451,000	4,880,359	3,073,000
Other Revenue	15,172,623	18,167,525	15,478,170	19,940,032
Interest Income	1,648,549	1,676,263	1,304,030	1,574,982
Rate Stabilization (to)/from	8,821,840	9,751,514	2,330,379	8,331,616
Total Revenues	421,951,991	425,700,554	436,962,777	447,878,095
O&M Expenses:				
Native Load Fuel Cost	153,980,032	153,733,512	160,187,660	163,387,381
Purchased Gas	7,696,897	7,419,800	11,963,422	9,591,330
Other O&M	120,719,075	123,835,369	125,291,868	132,927,434
Total Expenses	282,396,004	284,988,681	297,442,950	305,906,145
Net Revenues:				
General	139,555,987	140,711,873	139,519,827	141,971,950
Total Net Revenues	139,555,987	140,711,873	139,519,827	141,971,950
Uses of Net Revenues:				
Debt Service	61,883,881	63,018,666	61,892,722	64,472,317
(UPIF used for Debt Service)	(5,000,000)	(5,000,000)	(5,000,000)	(5,000,000)
UPIF	46,858,096	46,858,096	46,466,093	46,120,553
General Fund Transfer	35,814,010	35,835,111	36,161,012	36,379,080
<b>Total Use of Net Revenues</b>	139,555,987	140,711,873	139,519,827	141,971,950
Net Impact to Rate Stailization	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

# **Electric System**

	Budget 2017	Projection 2017	Original Budget 2018	Revised Budget 2018		
Revenues:	Duaget 2017	110jection 2017				
Residential Revenue	\$ 47,968,381	\$ 47,130,237	\$ 48,292,570	\$ 48,695,942		
Residential Rate Change Revenue	-	-	965,851	973,919		
Non-Residential Revenue	66,573,688	65,885,690	67,660,151	68,028,089		
Non-Residential Rate Change Rev.	-	-	1,353,203	1,360,562		
Other Electric Sales	3,372,509	3,388,918	3,301,911	3,678,280		
South Energy Center Revenue	11,122,588	11,143,019	16,002,032	15,299,611		
Innovation Square Revenue	191,000	165,000	303,000	252,000		
Fuel Adjustment Revenue	153,980,032	153,733,512	160,187,660	163,387,381		
Surcharge Revenue	3,113,562	2,913,109	3,217,223	3,070,214		
Other Revenue	8,794,042	10,256,113	8,990,521	10,832,485		
Interest Income	1,176,208	1,176,208	933,255	900,307		
Rate Stabilization (to)/from	9,813,458	13,424,825	3,084,341	7,404,858		
<b>Total Revenues</b>	306,105,468	309,216,631	314,291,718	323,883,648		
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O&M Expenses: Native Load Fuel Cost	152,000,022	152 722 512	160 107 660	172 207 201		
	153,980,032	153,733,512	160,187,660	163,387,381		
Other 0&M	70,535,394	73,501,094	73,528,082	78,682,687		
Total Expenses	224,515,426	227,234,606	233,715,742	242,070,068		
Net Revenues:						
General	81,590,042	81,982,025	80,575,976	81,813,580		
<b>Total Net Revenues</b>	81,590,042	81,982,025	80,575,976	81,813,580		
Uses of Net Revenues:						
Debt Service	38,449,413	38,848,611	38,273,556	39,887,725		
(UPIF used for Debt Service)	(5,000,000)	(5,000,000)		(5,000,000)		
UPIF	27,046,177	27,046,177	25,860,966	25,498,577		
General Fund Transfer	21,094,452	21,087,237	21,441,454	21,427,278		
Total Use of Net Revenues	81,590,042	81,982,025	80,575,976	81,813,580		
Net Impact to Rate Stailization	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		

# **Water System**

	,	Budget 2017	Dro	jection 2017	Or	riginal Budget 2018	Rev	rised Budget 2018
Revenues:		Duuget 2017	110	jection 2017		_010		
Sales of Water	\$	27,945,028	\$	30,582,004	\$	28,272,788	\$	29,757,854
Rate Change Revenue	*	243.436	*	-	*	493,255	4	-
UF Revenue		2,089,481		1,960,398		2,089,481		1,867,498
South Energy Center Revenue		34,670		-		36,404		-
Surcharge Revenue		2,363,115		2,505,584		2,460,468		2,455,023
Connection Revenue		1,572,161		1,139,000		1,601,850		1,165,000
Other Revenue		2,190,182		3,024,746		2,236,339		3,458,992
Surcharge on Connections		129,703		71,000		132,153		73,000
Interest Income		165,520		165,520		130,083		278,739
Rate Stabilization (to)/from		(981,358)		(3,149,569)		(383,324)		(1,067,984)
<b>Total Revenues</b>		35,751,938		36,298,683		37,069,497		37,988,122
O&M Expenses:								
Other O&M		16,209,661		16,399,483		16,723,331		17,273,402
Total Expenses		16,209,661		16,399,483		16,723,331		17,273,402
<b>Total Net Revenues</b>		19,542,277		19,899,200		20,346,166		20,714,720
Uses of Net Revenues:								
Debt Service		6,751,416		7,061,609		7,198,376		7,407,663
UPIF		7,042,712		7,042,712		7,399,641		7,468,215
General Fund Transfer		5,748,149		5,794,879		5,748,149		5,838,842
Total Use of Net Revenues		19,542,277		19,899,200		20,346,166		20,714,720
Net Impact to Rate Stailization	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-

# **Wastewater System**

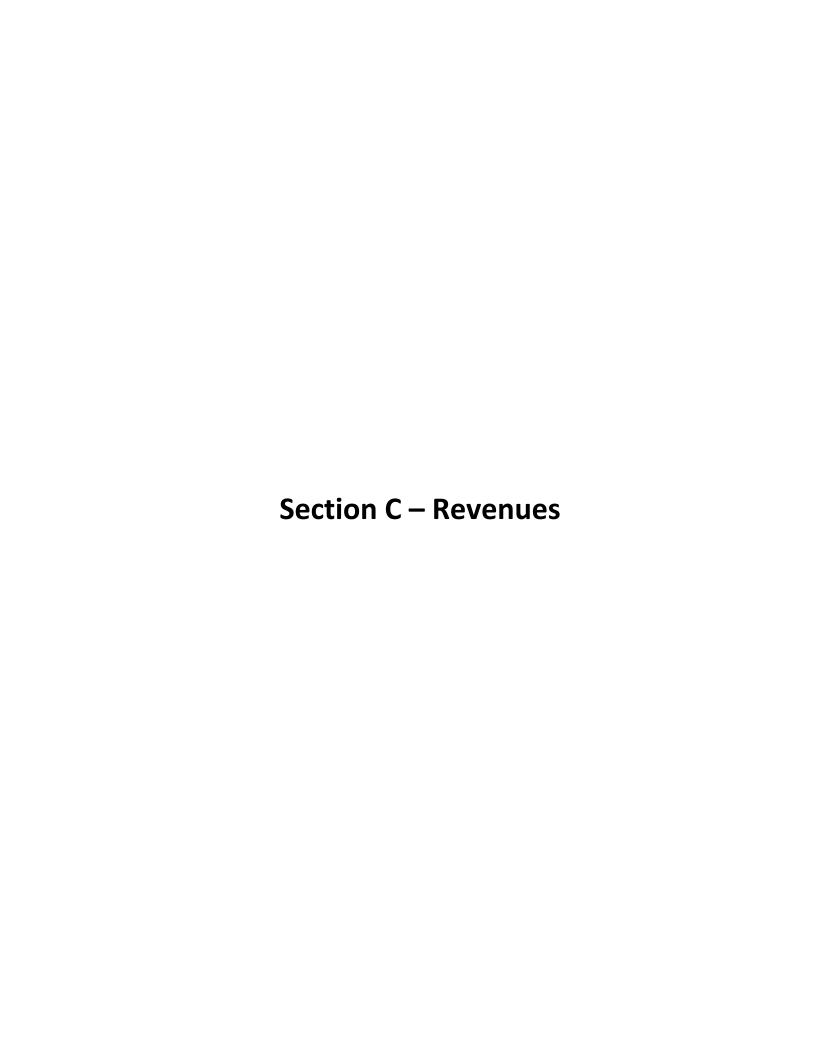
		Budget 2017 Projection 2017			Or	iginal Budget 2018	Revised Budget 2018		
Revenues:									
Wastewater Charges	\$	35,295,667	\$	36,455,295	\$	35,675,072	\$	36,247,468	
Rate Change Revenue		270,669		-		547,263		-	
South Energy Center Revenue		91,764		91,764		91,764		91,764	
Biosolids Revenue		300,000		334,652		300,000		300,000	
Surcharge Revenue		2,708,413		2,771,229		2,817,260		2,751,183	
Connection Revenue		3,213,960		2,312,000		3,278,509		1,908,000	
Other Revenue		1,403,205		2,338,479		1,415,602		2,804,636	
Surcharge on Connections		265,152		144,000		270,477		119,000	
Interest Income		187,649		187,649		150,381		244,073	
Rate Stabilization (to)/from		299,041		17,549		667,780		2,221,349	
<b>Total Revenues</b>		44,035,520		44,652,617		45,214,108		46,687,473	
O&M Expenses:									
Other O&M		18,955,816		19,180,578		19,494,007		20,551,163	
Total Expenses		18,955,816		19,180,578		19,494,007		20,551,163	
Total Net Revenues		25,079,704		25,472,039		25,720,101		26,136,310	
Uses of Net Revenues:									
Debt Service		8,413,026		8,792,637		8,709,334		8,951,258	
UPIF		9,432,248		9,432,248		9,776,337		9,836,478	
General Fund Transfer		7,234,430		7,247,154		7,234,430		7,348,574	
Total Use of Net Revenues		25,079,704		25,472,039		25,720,101		26,136,310	
Net Impact to Rate Stailization	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	

# **Gas System**

	Bu	dget 2017	Pr	ojection 2017	Oı	riginal Budget 2018	Rev	vised Budget 2018
Revenues:				,				
Residential Revenue	\$	7,817,427	\$	8,179,917	\$	7,899,315	\$	8,667,688
Residential Rate Change Revenue		703,568		-		947,918		-
Non-Residential Revenue		4,347,392		5,307,036		4,382,876		5,116,091
Non-Residential Rate Change Revenue		391,265		-		525,945		-
MGPCRF Revenue		1,193,632		1,069,024		1,204,028		1,208,249
Purchased Gas Adjustment Revenue		7,696,897		7,419,800		11,963,422		9,591,330
Surcharge Revenue		533,832		489,754		553,725		494,397
Other Revenue		2,305,849		1,994,777		2,352,777		2,364,574
Interest Income		119,792		147,506		90,117		119,792
Rate Stabilization (to)/from		(1,099,917)		(1,084,611)		(2,171,121)		(1,864,348)
Total Revenues		24,009,737		23,523,203		27,749,002		25,697,773
O&M Expenses:								
Purchased Gas		7,696,897		7,419,800		11,963,422		9,591,330
Other O&M		7,265,415		7,179,149		7,425,865		7,693,461
Total Expenses		14,962,312		14,598,949		19,389,287		17,284,791
<b>Total Net Revenues</b>		9,047,425		8,924,254		8,359,715		8,412,982
Uses of Net Revenues:								
Debt Service		4,592,767		4,500,734		4,020,157		4,151,875
UPIF		3,093,726		3,093,726		2,978,626		2,878,702
General Fund Transfer		1,360,932		1,329,794		1,360,932		1,382,405
Total Use of Net Revenues		9,047,425		8,924,254		8,359,715		8,412,982
Net Impact to Rate Stailization	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-

### GRUCom

					0	riginal Budget	R	evised Budget
	В	udget 2017	Pr	ojection 2017		2018		2018
Revenues:								
Telecommunications Revenue	\$	7,610,821	\$	7,744,161	\$	7,819,233	\$	8,276,037
Public Safety Radio Revenue		1,781,119		1,773,462		1,790,024		1,755,042
Tower Lease Rental Revenue		1,688,047		1,730,339		1,713,367		1,740,843
Other Income		179,345		218,758		182,931		179,345
Interest Income		(620)		(620)		194		32,071
Rate Stabilization (to)/from		790,616		543,320		1,132,703		1,637,741
Total Revenues		12,049,328		12,009,420		12,638,452		13,621,079
O&M Expenses:								
Other O&M		7,752,789		7,575,065		8,120,583		8,726,721
Total		7,752,789		7,575,065		8,120,583		8,726,721
<b>Total Net Revenues</b>		4,296,539		4,434,355		4,517,869		4,894,358
Uses of Net Revenues:								
Debt Service		3,677,259		3,815,075		3,691,299		4,073,797
UPIF		243,233		243,233		450,523		438,581
General Fund Transfer		376,047		376,047		376,047		381,980
Total Use of Net Revenues		4,296,539		4,434,355		4,517,869		4,894,358
Net Impact to Rate Stailization	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	



# **Annual Operating Budget**

### Revenues

### **Combined System**

			Original Budget	<b>Revised Budget</b>	
	Budget 2017	Projection 2017	2018	2018	
Revenues:					
Electric System	\$ 306,105,468	\$ 309,216,631	\$ 314,291,718	\$ 323,883,648	
Water System	35,751,938	36,298,683	37,069,497	37,988,122	
Wastewater System	44,035,520	44,652,617	45,214,108	46,687,473	
Gas System	24,009,737	23,523,203	27,749,002	25,697,773	
GRUCom System	12,049,328	12,009,420	12,638,452	13,621,079	
<b>Total Revenues</b>	\$ 421,951,991	\$ 425,700,554	\$ 436,962,777	\$ 447,878,095	

Please see individual system page for description and highlights.

## **Electric System**

					0r	iginal Budget	Rev	ised Budget
	В	udget 2017	Pre	ojection 2017	2018			2018
Revenues:								_
Residential Revenue	\$	47,968,381	\$	47,130,237	\$	48,292,570	\$	48,695,942
Residential Rate Change Revenue		-		-		965,851		973,919
Non-Residential Revenue		66,573,688		65,885,690		67,660,151		68,028,089
Non-Residential Rate Change Rev.		-		-		1,353,203		1,360,562
Other Electric Sales		3,372,509		3,388,918		3,301,911		3,678,280
South Energy Center Revenue		11,122,588		11,143,019		16,002,032		15,299,611
Innovation Square Revenue		191,000		165,000		303,000		252,000
Fuel Adjustment Revenue		153,980,032		153,733,512		160,187,660		163,387,381
Surcharge Revenue		3,113,562		2,913,109		3,217,223		3,070,214
Other Revenue		8,794,042		10,256,113		8,990,521		10,832,485
Interest Income		1,176,208		1,176,208		933,255		900,307
Rate Stabilization (to)/from		9,813,458		13,424,825		3,084,341		7,404,858
Total Revenues	\$ 3	06,105,468	\$	309,216,631	\$:	314,291,718	\$ 3	323,883,648

#### Description

- Forecasts were developed from econometric models that project number of customers and usage per customer for each major billing class. External inputs used in these models were sourced from the Bureau of Economic and Business Research (demographics), IHS Global Insight (economics) and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (climate). Revenue projections are the product of number of customers, billed sales and GRU's prevailing prices.
- Cumulative increases in retail revenues from proposed rate changes are shown as residential and non-residential rate change revenue.
- The South Energy Center (SEC) is a combined heat and power plant providing electricity, chilled water, steam, and the storage and delivery of medical gases to the UF Health Cancer Center. The SEC has contributed significant revenues to the Electric System since May 2009. Phase II of SEC is being completed in conjunction with the completion of the new UF Health Heart & Vascular and Neuromedicine hospitals in 2018.
- Innovation Square is a research and business development effort of the University of Florida and is served by the Electric System.
- Fuel adjustment revenues offsets the fuel and purchased power costs for retail and sales for resale electricity sales.
- Surcharge revenues are a 10 percent charge applied to the non-fuel portion of retail rates for customers outside the incorporated portion of the City of Gainesville.
- Other Revenue includes late fees and other miscellaneous service charges.
- Interest Income is generated from the investment earnings for the Operating Fund, Rate Stabilization Fund and Utility Plant Improvement Fund for each system.
- Rate Stabilization revenues are withdrawals from (if positive) or deposits to (if negative) rate stabilization which functions as a revenue stabilizer when deemed necessary.

## Budget Highlights

- Projected Residential and Non-Residential sales revenues for fiscal year 2017 are 1.7 percent and 1.0 percent lower than originally budgeted, respectively. This is primarily the result of reduced load associated with heating sales during the winter season, which was milder than average. Residential and Non-Residential sales revenues are projected to increase 3.3 percent in fiscal year 2018.
- Revenues associated with the South Energy Center are projected to increase significantly in fiscal year 2018, due to additional generating unit at the SEC producing more steam and chilled water for the hospital expansion at the UF Health Cancer Center.

## Water System

					0r	iginal Budget	Re	vised Budget
	F	Budget 2017		ojection 2017	2018		2018	
Revenues:								
Sales of Water	\$	27,945,028	\$	30,582,004	\$	28,272,788	\$	29,757,854
Rate Change Revenue		243,436		-		493,255		-
UF Revenue		2,089,481		1,960,398		2,089,481		1,867,498
South Energy Center Revenue		34,670		-		36,404		-
Surcharge Revenue		2,363,115		2,505,584		2,460,468		2,455,023
Connection Revenue		1,572,161		1,139,000		1,601,850		1,165,000
Other Revenue		2,190,182		3,024,746		2,236,339		3,458,992
Surcharge on Connections		129,703		71,000		132,153		73,000
Interest Income		165,520		165,520		130,083		278,739
Rate Stabilization (to)/from		(981,358)		(3,149,569)		(383,324)		(1,067,984)
Total Revenues	\$	35,751,938	\$	36,298,683	\$	37,069,497	\$	37,988,122

## Description

- Forecasts were developed from econometric models that project number of customers and usage per customer for each major billing class. External inputs used in these models were sourced from the Bureau of Economic and Business Research (demographics), IHS Global Insight (economics), and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (climate). Revenue projections are the product of number of customers, billed sales and GRU's prevailing prices.
- Revenues are obtained from retail sales to residential and non-residential customers served by the
  potable water system and include monthly customer charges and usage charges (Kgal) based on
  metered water sales.
- UF Revenues represent wholesale water sales to the UF campus, which maintains its own distribution system, as well as off-campus UF facilities.
- Cumulative increases in retail revenues from proposed rate changes are shown as rate change revenue.
- The SEC, as described in the electric system, is a generation facility that became operational in 2009 and is served by the Water System.
- A surcharge of 25 percent is collected outside the incorporated portion of the City of Gainesville.
- Connection fees are collected to recover the costs of meter installations, transmission and distribution, and water treatment and supply required for each new customer. There is a 25 percent surcharge on connection fees for customers outside the incorporated portion of the City.
- Interest Income is generated from the investment earnings for the Operating Fund, Rate Stabilization Fund and Utility Plant Improvement Fund for each system.
- Rate Stabilization revenues are withdrawals from (if positive) or deposits to (if negative) rate stabilization which functions as a revenue stabilizer when deemed necessary.

## Budget Highlights

- General Service water sales revenues for fiscal year 2017 are projected to be 9.4 percent higher than originally projected. This is primarily due to high water sales resulting from drought conditions through May.
- Revenues from the sale of water to residential and non-residential customers for fiscal year 2018 are expected to be 2.7 percent lower than high sales in fiscal year 2017 as the forecast is based on average rainfall levels.

## Wastewater System

					$\mathbf{0r}$	iginal Budget	Re	vised Budget
	В	Budget 2017 F		<b>Projection 2017</b>		2018		2018
Revenues:								_
Wastewater Charges	\$	35,295,667	\$	36,455,295	\$	35,675,072	\$	36,247,468
Rate Change Revenue		270,669		=		547,263		=
South Energy Center Revenue		91,764		91,764		91,764		91,764
Biosolids Revenue		300,000		334,652		300,000		300,000
Surcharge Revenue		2,708,413		2,771,229		2,817,260		2,751,183
Connection Revenue		3,213,960		2,312,000		3,278,509		1,908,000
Other Revenue		1,403,205		2,338,479		1,415,602		2,804,636
Surcharge on Connections		265,152		144,000		270,477		119,000
Interest Income		187,649		187,649		150,381		244,073
Rate Stabilization (to)/from		299,041		17,549		667,780		2,221,349
<b>Total Revenues</b>	\$	44,035,520	\$	44,652,617	\$	45,214,108	\$	46,687,473

## Description

- Forecasts were developed from econometric models that project number of customers and usage per customer for each major billing class. External inputs used in these models were sourced from the Bureau of Economic and Business Research (demographics), IHS Global Insight (economics), and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (climate). Revenue projections are the product of number of customers, billed quantities and GRU's prevailing prices.
- Revenues are obtained from wastewater charges to residential and non-residential customers served by our wastewater collection, treatment, re-use and disposal systems.
- Cumulative increases in retail revenues from proposed rate changes are shown as rate change revenue.
- Wastewater is not metered. Charges for most residential customers are based on winter water consumption to avoid billing customers for irrigation and other outdoor uses that do not discharge to the Wastewater system.
- Non-residential customers are billed based on 95 percent of water consumption each month. Customers are given the option of installing irrigation water meters, which are not included in wastewater bill calculations, as a way to manage wastewater costs.
- The SEC is a generation facility that became operational in 2009 and is served by the Wastewater System.
- Biosolids revenue is generated for the receipt, treatment and beneficial reuse of waste residuals of other municipalities and septage haulers.
- A surcharge of 25 percent is collected from customers outside the incorporated portion of the City of Gainesville.
- Connection charges are collected to recover the capital costs of wastewater collection and treatment required for each new customer. There is a 25 percent surcharge on connection fees for customers outside the incorporated portion of the City.
- Interest Income is generated from the investment earnings for the Operating Fund, Rate Stabilization Fund and Utility Plant Improvement Fund for each System.
- Rate Stabilization revenues are withdrawals from (if positive) or deposits to (if negative) rate stabilization which functions as a revenue stabilizer when deemed necessary.

## Budget Highlights

- Projected revenues from wastewater billings for fiscal year 2017 are 3.3 percent higher than originally budgeted. Wastewater billings are a function of water sales, and water sales are higher than projected in response to drought conditions experienced through May 2017.
- Revenues from wastewater billings for fiscal year 2018 are projected 0.6 percent lower than the elevated revenues for fiscal year 2017, as water sales are forecast to return to lower levels based on average rainfall levels.

## **Gas System**

					0r	iginal Budget	Re	vised Budget
	Budget 2017		Pr	ojection 2017		2018		2018
Revenues:								
Residential Revenue	\$	7,817,427	\$	8,179,917	\$	7,899,315	\$	8,667,688
Residential Rate Change Revenue		703,568		-		947,918		-
Non-Residential Revenue		4,347,392		5,307,036		4,382,876		5,116,091
Non-Residential Rate Change Revenue		391,265		-		525,945		-
MGPCRF Revenue		1,193,632		1,069,024		1,204,028		1,208,249
Purchased Gas Adjustment Revenue		7,696,897		7,419,800		11,963,422		9,591,330
Surcharge Revenue		533,832		489,754		553,725		494,397
Other Revenue		2,305,849		1,994,777		2,352,777		2,364,574
Interest Income		119,792		147,506		90,117		119,792
Rate Stabilization (to)/from		(1,099,917)		(1,084,611)		(2,171,121)		(1,864,348)
<b>Total Revenues</b>	\$	24,009,737	\$	23,523,203	\$	27,749,002	\$	25,697,773

#### Description

- Forecasts were developed from econometric models that project number of customers and usage per
  customer for each major billing class. External inputs used in these models were sourced from the
  Bureau of Economic and Business Research (demographics), IHS Global Insight (economics), and the
  National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (climate). Revenue projections are the product of
  number of customers, billed sales, and GRU's prevailing prices.
- Cumulative increases in retail revenues from proposed rate changes are shown as rate change revenue.
- The Manufactured Gas Plant Cost Recovery Factor (MGPCRF) is a component of revenue based on therm sales. It recovers the cost of environmental clean-up at the Depot Park Manufactured Gas Plant. This cost is partially offset with insurance proceeds, with the project expected to total nearly \$29 million when complete.
- Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) revenue is collected for the natural gas fuel distributed to customers.
- Surcharge revenues are a 10 percent charge applied to the non-fuel portion of retail rates for customers outside the incorporated portion of the City of Gainesville.
- Other revenue includes transportation sales to UF's cogeneration facility, late fees, service charges, and sales to liquid propane distribution system customers.
- Interest income is generated from the investment earnings for the Operating Fund, Rate Stabilization Fund, and Utility Plant Improvement Fund for each System.
- Rate Stabilization revenues are withdrawals from (if positive) or deposits to (if negative) rate stabilization which functions as a revenue stabilizer when deemed necessary.

## Budget Highlights

- Revenues from sales to residential customers are projected to be 4.0% lower than originally budgeted for fiscal year 2017, exclusive of rate change revenue. Energy sales in the natural gas system are tracking significantly lower than forecast for fiscal year 2017 due to very mild winter temperatures.
- Revenues from sales to residential customers are projected to increase 6.0% from fiscal year 2017 to fiscal year 2018 as the forecast is based on average heating degree days.

#### **GRUCom**

					0r	iginal Budget	Re	vised Budget
	Budget 2017		Pro	ojection 2017		2018		2018
Revenues:								_
Telecommunications Revenue	\$	7,610,821	\$	7,744,161	\$	7,819,233	\$	8,276,037
Public Safety Radio Revenue		1,781,119		1,773,462		1,790,024		1,755,042
Tower Lease Rental Revenue		1,688,047		1,730,339		1,713,367		1,740,843
Other Income		179,345		218,758		182,931		179,345
Interest Income		(620)		(620)		194		32,071
Rate Stabilization (to)/from		790,616		543,320		1,132,703		1,637,741
<b>Total Revenues</b>	\$	12,049,328	\$	12,009,420	\$	12,638,452	\$	13,621,079

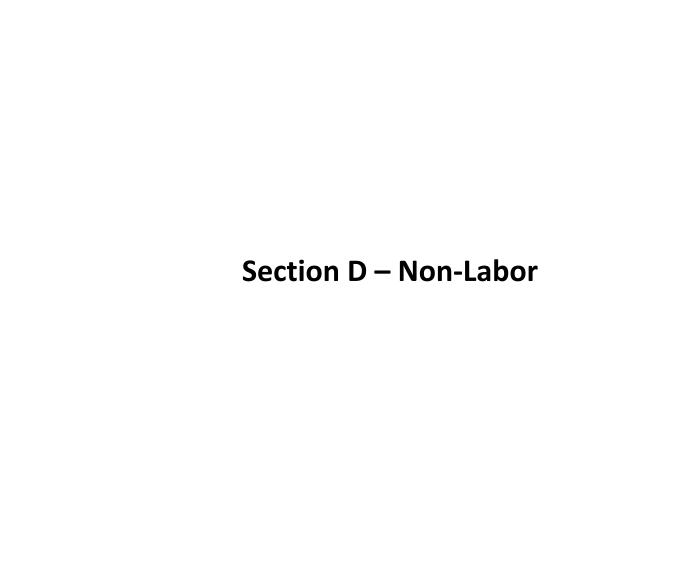
## Description

- GRUCom Telecommunication revenues are based on historical sales trends, anticipated customer and market changes. Projections have been adjusted to reflect expected continued growth in Metro Ethernet based data services and a migration away from traditional SONET/TDM services.
- Public Safety Radio revenue projections are based on the historical trends of number of radios
  deployed pursuant to the billing rates established under the existing inter-local agreement due to
  expire in 2020. GRUCom is currently in negotiations with subscribers to update and expand coverage
  of the system, and the potential changes to revenues are not reflected in projections.
- Tower Lease Rental services are primarily tower space leases with Personal Wireless
  Communications Services (PCS) providers. Revenues from new leases executed in recent months are
  included in the forecast. Tower space leases contain provisions for automatic annual rent increases,
  included in the projections.
- Interest Income is generated from the investment earnings for the Operating Fund, Rate Stabilization Fund and Utility Plant Improvement Fund for each system.
- Rate Stabilization revenues are withdrawals from (if positive) or deposits to (if negative) rate
  stabilization which functions as a revenue stabilizer when deemed necessary. GRUCom has a current
  deficit in fiscal year 2017 and the deficit is projected to increase in fiscal year 2018. Management
  may issue commercial paper to cover the shortfall in Rate Stabilization funds for the GRUCom
  system.

## **Budget Highlights**

GRUCom fiber transport and data services continue to be in high demand by local businesses. Expansion of the system into the neighboring communities of Hawthorne, Archer and Newberry, due to the successful award and implementation of a scalable 10 gigabit network for the School Board of Alachua County, provides further potential development growth opportunities throughout the county.

- GRUCom continues to receive requests from existing and newly developed apartment complexes for GATOR NET services. Revenues from these new contracts are included in projections.
- GRUCom is delivering 1 Gigabit "Gator Net" Internet service to residential MDU and student housing communities. It is expected that demand for this service offering will continue to increase as housing consumers seek the benefits of fiber-to-the-home (FTTH) technology and housing owners, developers and managers seek to improve the value and income potential of multifamily properties through the installation of all-fiber, ultra-fast broadband services.
- GRUCom plans a new competitive product line in fiscal year 2018. Revenue projections are included in the forecast.



# **Combined System**

·	Budget 2017	7 Projection 2017		Or	iginal Budget 2018	Re	vised Budget 2018
Expenses:			,				
Fuel	\$ 161,676,929	\$	161,153,312	\$	172,151,082	\$	172,978,711
Energy Supply	8,703,353		8,801,306		9,349,783		11,052,086
District Energy	3,139,067		3,332,580		4,340,257		5,269,417
Energy Delivery	6,867,379		7,221,373		6,933,753		7,487,996
Water	5,881,190		5,914,200		6,114,276		6,075,645
Wastewater	7,294,959		7,293,231		7,554,658		7,567,994
GRUCom	3,045,885		3,016,272		3,317,976		3,738,038
Administration	1,590,158		1,640,719		1,795,327		1,589,267
Customer Support Services	5,833,002		6,937,044		5,515,502		10,837,033
Information Technology	4,116,080		3,793,666		4,379,039		4,370,951
Budget, Finance and Accounting	146,307		265,475		148,819		225,308
Chief Operating Officer	46,780		39,166		137,099		496,510
General System	16,798,525		21,588,213		17,063,193		15,436,366
Debt Service	61,883,881		63,018,670		61,892,725		64,472,316
Less UPIF Portion of Debt Service Paym	(5,000,000)		(5,000,000)		(5,000,000)		(5,000,000)
Utility Plant Improvement Fund	46,858,096		46,858,096		46,466,093		46,120,553
General Fund Transfer	35,814,010		35,835,111		36,161,012		36,379,079
Total Expenses	\$ 364,695,601	\$:	371,708,434	\$	378,320,594	\$ 3	389,097,270

Please see individual department page for description and highlights.

#### Fuel

						ginal Budget	Re	vised Budget
	Budget 2017		Pro	ojection 2017		2018		2018
Expenses:								
Coal - Generation	\$	29,572,926	\$	16,521,712	\$	35,604,182	\$	38,169,539
Natural Gas - Generation		27,147,054		36,930,482		28,046,076		28,777,249
Natural Gas - Customer Sales		7,696,897		7,419,800		11,963,422		9,591,330
Fuel Oil #6 #2		-		24,078		-		-
Purchase Power		7,575,455		17,520,629		7,427,236		10,022,514
GREC		81,153,751		74,895,381		80,581,538		77,913,533
Landfill Gas		2,352,364		1,882,877		2,412,500		2,407,146
Solar FIT		6,178,482		5,958,353		6,116,128		6,097,400
Total Expenses	\$	161,676,929	\$	161,153,312	\$	172,151,082	\$	172,978,711

#### Description

Coal generation is estimated to satisfy approximately 56 percent of the total system load during fiscal year 2018. Natural gas generation is estimated to satisfy approximately 42 percent of total system load during fiscal year 2018.

Natural gas is also supplied directly to customers Local Distribution Company (LDC) to operate appliances within their homes and businesses. Natural gas is purchased through The Energy Authority (TEA) and transported via Florida Gas Transmission (FGT) interstate pipeline. Natural gas cost for generation and LDC will differ due to the timing and volume of usage during the year.

GRU has a 30-year Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) with Gainesville Renewable Energy Center (GREC) for up to 102.5 MW of biomass generated power. Biomass is expected to satisfy 1.9 percent of total system load for fiscal year 2018.

Power is purchased off the electric grid when customers benefit financially or if there is a need to maintain system reliability. GRU also secures short-term and long-term purchased power arrangements as a hedge to meet native load.

## Budget Highlights

In fiscal year 2018, fuel expenses are projected to be approximately \$11.3 million higher, as compared to the approved budget for 2017. This increase is mainly due to fluctuating natural gas prices for both our generation and our customer sales.

- The budgeted fiscal year 2018 "as burned" cost of coal is \$2.95/MMBtu.
- The fiscal year 2018 coal price includes \$2.5 million for pebble lime which is required for operation of the dry scrubber.
- The fiscal year 2018 "as burned" coal price also includes Fly Ash sales, which are projected to generate revenues of \$214,471. This is an offset to coal expenses for the fiscal year.
- Natural gas prices for fiscal year 2018 are budgeted to average \$4.19/MMBtu.
- Natural gas costs for customer sales (local distribution company or LDC) for fiscal year 2018 are budgeted to average \$4.37/MMBtu delivered.
- Expenses for power from GREC in fiscal year 2018 are estimated to be \$69.7 million for fixed charges, \$556,144 for variable charges and \$7.65 million for annual property tax assessment.

## **Energy Supply**

		Original Budg				Re	vised Budget
	Budget 2017	017 Projection 2017 2018			2018		
Expenses:							
Administration	\$ 180,500	\$	183,273	\$	184,110	\$	294,600
Safety and Training	152,700		202,620		155,554		-
Fuels Management	11,750		11,685		11,373		13,900
Production Assurance Support	41,600		32,324		42,432		70,800
Maintenance of Plant - Kelly Plant	966,388		910,476		983,116		1,014,200
Maintenance of Plant - Deerhaven	4,320,065		4,395,460		3,820,466		4,392,986
Maintenance of Plant - Plant Outage	2,731,000		2,715,462		3,979,020		5,079,000
Power Systems Operations	170,600		214,082		173,712		186,600
Electric Environmental	128,750		135,924		-		-
Total Expenses	\$ 8.703.353	\$	8.801.306	\$	9.349.783	\$	11.052.086

#### Description

Energy Supply operates and maintains GRU's Electric Generating and Combined Heating and Power (CHP) assets. Other areas of responsibility under Energy Supply are Power Engineering, Outage Planning and Major Maintenance, Power Systems Operation, Transmission Switching, Power Marketing, Generation Planning and Fuels Management (including procurement, transportation and risk management for both the electric generating and gas distribution systems).

#### **Budget Highlights**

In fiscal year 2018, Energy Supply proposes a \$2.3 million increase to non-labor expenditures, as compared to the approved budget for 2017. The majority of the increase in fiscal year 2018 is in the maintenance of plant – plant outage necessary for power generation. Maintenance is as follows:

- Energy Supply delayed the major inspection of CT3 originally planned for fiscal year 2017. The inspection is now planned in the fiscal year 2018 revised budget, which accounts for the \$2.3 million increase in the Plant Outage budget.
- Over the past several years, Energy Supply has performed diagnostics and analytics required to move from a 12-month planned outage frequency to an 18-month planned outage frequency without a material increase in operational risk. This frequency reduces non-labor outage costs by 25 30 percent over a three year period.
- As a result, savings over the next six years from transitioning DH 2 to an 18-month planned outage frequency are expected to be approximately \$5 million.
- Due to a utility reorganization of Safety and Training, fiscal year 2018 expenses have been transferred from Energy Supply to General Manager Administration. Energy Supply retained \$110,000 in department specific expenses such as safety recognition, safety equipment, generation simulator support, and Lock Out/Tag Out (LOTO) support services in administration.

## **District Energy**

					0ri	ginal Budget	Rev	vised Budget
	]	Budget 2017	Pro	jection 2017		2018		2018
Expenses:								
New Business Services	\$	40,950	\$	32,433	\$	30,950	\$	44,450
South Energy Center		2,911,367		3,088,403		3,980,557		4,903,092
Innovation Energy Center		186,750		211,744		328,750		321,875
Total Expenses	\$	3,139,067	\$	3,332,580	\$	4,340,257	\$	5,269,417

## Description

District Energy develops, operates and maintains GRU's special-purpose energy and thermal plants at the South Energy Center and the Innovation Energy Center. District Energy also evaluates and implements new energy and thermal business ventures for GRU.

## **Budget Highlights**

District Energy is proposing an increase to its fiscal year 2018 budget of \$2,130,350 over its fiscal year 2017 approved budget.

- Expenses related to the South Energy Center (SEC) are recovered from UF Health in accordance with GRU's contract with UF Health. Net revenues from the SEC flow back to GRU's electric fund, helping to provide rate relief to all GRU electric customers.
- Increased expenses at the SEC in fiscal year 2017 and fiscal year 2018 reflect the expansion of the SEC in fiscal year 2017 to serve the new UF Health Heart & Vascular and Neuromedicine Hospitals. This expansion includes a new 7.4 MW reciprocating engine, a new 3000-ton chiller, new cooling towers, and a new backup diesel generator, all of which will require new expenditures for operation and maintenance.
- Increased expenses at the Innovation Energy Center in fiscal year 2018 reflect the addition of a new chilled water and backup power customer, the Florida Innovation Hub at UF Phase II building.

## **Energy Delivery**

				0ri	ginal Budget	Rev	vised Budget
	Budget 2017	Pr	ojection 2017		2018		2018
Expenses:							
Energy Delivery Administration	\$ 21,670	\$	21,658	\$	21,674	\$	6,048
Work and Resource Management	208,114		374,322		207,471		674,577
Electric Transmission and Distribution	3,345,467		3,674,459		3,407,180		3,427,023
Energy Delivery Engineering	101,233		85,547		100,819		95,287
Substation and Relay Operations	515,413		572,570		525,722		581,909
Gas and Electric Measurement	302,590		288,503		305,382		299,956
Systems Control	1,237,927		1,431,038		1,208,685		1,108,830
Gas Transmission and Distribution	604,850		312,615		614,200		744,484
Field Services	530,115		460,661		542,620		549,882
Total Expenses	\$ 6,867,379	\$	7,221,373	\$	6,933,753	\$	7,487,996

#### Description

The Energy Delivery Department is responsible for the design, construction, operation and maintenance of approximately 120 miles of electric transmission, 1,415 miles of electric distribution lines, 766 miles of gas distribution mains, 14 electric substations and 6 natural gas gate stations. The department's other responsibilities include electric and gas metering; electric and gas system engineering; electric and gas system protection; power quality assurance; electric and gas system monitoring and control (SCADA); water, electric and gas service initiation and termination; all underground facility locates; and all meter reading. The department is responsible for compliance with federal, state and local regulations related to safety, gas operator qualification, gas pipeline integrity, electric system reliability and operation, construction standards and associated reporting requirements.

#### **Budget Highlights**

Energy is proposing an increase of \$620,617 for its fiscal year 2018 budget over its approved fiscal year 2017 budget.

- As part of a Utility restructuring, the Apparatus Shop will be transferred from Substation & Relay to Electric Transmission & Distribution, the Utility Line Locators will be transferred from Field Services to Work & Resource Management, Gas Marketing will be transferred from Business Services to Gas Transmission & Distribution, Gas Engineering will be transferred from Energy Delivery Engineering to Gas Transmission & Distribution and Field Services (Meter Services, Meter Operations and Revenue Protection Operations) will be combined under Substation & Relay. The restructure of Gas Marketing to Gas T&D resulted in an increase in the O&M non-labor expenses of \$289,000 for Gas T&D and a decrease for Business Services.
- Federally mandated regulatory requirements, such as the NERC Reliability and Critical Infrastructure Protection Standards, continue to generate significant upward pressure on O&M expenses, particularly within the Systems Control and Substation & Relay work groups.
- Public Safety, reliability and customer requests are priority with routine and emergency maintenance of infrastructure and services.

- The number of meters has continued to increase over the past decade but no new FTEs have been added to Meter Operations. In order to maintain an adequate number of Meter Readers, 3 temporary employees have been requested for the purpose of backfilling positions.
- There are 48,000 utility poles in GRU's electric territory. In accordance with GRU's Pole Attachment agreements an audit is required every five years. In order to support GRU's joint-use programs and comply with legislative and regulatory requirements a professional joint use attachment survey is needed to ensure code compliance, reduce liability, reconcile attachment counts and capture any lost revenues.
- The Gas System requires business licensors for LP and natural gas. Due to retirements of current Gas Systems business licensor there is a significant increase in training budget.

#### Water

				0ri	ginal Budget	Re	vised Budget
	Budget 2017	Pro	ojection 2017		2018		2018
Expenses:							
Administration	\$ 11,705	\$	11,385	\$	12,056	\$	22,680
Safety Training	15,102		15,094		15,555		-
Planning	131,327		164,742		135,267		179,062
Engineering	82,200		82,199		84,666		103,025
Maintenance of Plant	4,986,846		4,986,828		5,193,101		5,063,273
Water Distribution	654,010		653,952		673,630		707,605
Total Expenses	\$ 5,881,190	\$	5,914,200	\$	6,114,276	\$	6,075,645

#### Description

The Water System is responsible for operating and maintaining the Murphree Water Treatment Plant, which has a treatment capacity of 54 million gallons of water per day (MGD). These responsibilities include providing safe, reliable, high-quality drinking water to 72,500 customers, serving 189,000 people in the Gainesville urban area at acceptable pressures and volumes. The Water System is also responsible for construction, operation and maintenance of over 1,145 miles of water transmission and distribution lines, as well as the installation and maintenance of water meters, fire hydrants and backflow prevention devices.

## **Budget Highlights**

The Water System proposes a \$194,454 increase from the approved fiscal year 2017 budget. The increased expenses are primarily due to the increase in electricity and chemical costs to operate the Murphree Water Treatment Plant and contract services for leak detection and efficient leak repairs.

The majority of the non-labor expenses in the Water System are mandated by regulatory and other external requirements. Samples of regulatory and other external requirements include federal and state safe drinking water standards, certain energy usage, chemicals, processes, and certified operational personnel for water treatment and transmission and distribution.

#### Wastewater

				0ri	iginal Budget	Rev	vised Budget
	Budget 2017	Pr	ojection 2017		2018		2018
Expenses:							
Administration	\$ 11,705	\$	11,385	\$	12,056	\$	24,480
Safety Training	15,102		15,096		15,555		-
Planning	16,277		5,592		16,766		4,066
Engineering	82,700		82,698		85,181		94,525
Water Reclamation Facilities	6,605,000		6,616,924		6,844,000		6,893,548
Wastewater Collection	564,175		561,536		581,100		551,375
Total Expenses	\$ 7,294,959	\$	7,293,231	\$	7,554,658	\$	7,567,994

#### Description

The Wastewater System operates and maintains the 14.9 million gallons-of-water-per-day (MGD) Kanapaha Water Reclamation Facility, the 7.5 MGD Main Street Water Reclamation Facility, 168 lift stations, 634 miles of gravity main and 141 miles of associated force main, providing service to 66,000 customers in the Gainesville urban area. Responsibilities include pumping, treating and discharging high-quality treated effluent that meets federal and state drinking water standards, and providing high-quality reclaimed water to residential and business customers, primarily for irrigation. The Wastewater System also administers the utility's Industrial Pretreatment Program (IPP), biosolids disposal, fats, oils and greases (FOG) disposal, and reclaimed water programs.

#### **Budget Highlights**

Wastewater proposes a \$273,035 increase from the approved fiscal year 2017 budget. The proposed increases are primarily for increased electricity expenses related to the operation of the Water Reclamation Facilities and Lift Stations.

The majority of the non-labor expenses in the Wastewater System are mandated by regulatory and other external requirements in order to meet federal and state collection, treatment, effluent and disposal standards, certain chemicals, processes and certified operational personnel are required.

#### **GRUCom**

				0ri	ginal Budget	Re	vised Budget
	Budget 2017	Pro	ojection 2017		2018		2018
Expenses:							
Operations	\$ 1,040,385	\$	1,023,237	\$	1,173,334	\$	1,104,478
Public Safety Radio	658,000		665,789		765,092		810,392
Professional Services	177,500		308,210		186,150		629,768
Circuits	1,170,000		1,019,036		1,193,400		1,193,400
Total Expenses	\$ 3,045,885	\$	3,016,272	\$	3,317,976	\$	3,738,038

#### Description

GRUCom's three basic product lines include Telecommunications (data transport and carrier services), Public Safety Radio and Tower Lease Rental.

## **Budget Highlights**

GRUCom proposes a \$692,153 increase to the fiscal year 2018 budget over the approved fiscal year 2017 budget.

- GRUCom expenditures reflect the ongoing costs to operate and maintain the fiber optic network and the equipment used to provide data transport, carrier services and Internet access.
- Operational costs are associated with network expansion for new growth and support of existing services. In fiscal year 2016 and fiscal year 2017 GRUCom was awarded a contract from the School Board of Alachua County and in fiscal year 2017 from the Alachua County Library District, which allowed for long-term expansion of services and secured revenues to offset associated operating expenses respectively.
- Projections include increased costs for annual maintenance service agreements. GRUCom is currently
  in negotiations with Public Safety Radio subscribers to update and expand coverage of the Trunking
  Radio System.
- Professional Services expenditures reflect costs associated with utilizing external sources to assist
  with ongoing business, product and service development with the cellular, long distance transport
  and other telecommunication organizations that provide voice, internet services and peering
  relationships.
- Expenditures for circuits are associated with backbone internet access and transport connectivity
  purchased by GRUCom from other service providers. These circuits allow GRUCom to sell Internet
  access and data transport services to customers who are not in close proximity to GRUCom's fiber
  network.

#### Administration

				0ri	ginal Budget	Rev	vised Budget
	Budget 2017 Projection 2017				2018		2018
Expenses:							_
General Manager	\$ 534,100	\$	524,796	\$	546,550	\$	574,060
Change Management	-		-		-		9,900
Utilities - Legal Services	210,659		207,873		212,052		209,992
Business Services	202,547		269,809		312,547		12,750
Community Relations	204,212		204,212		237,747		358,400
Communications	438,640		434,029		486,431		424,165
Total Expenses	\$ 1,590,158	\$	1,640,719	\$	1,795,327	\$	1,589,267

#### Description

The General Manager is responsible for all aspects of the combined utility systems – Electric, Water, Wastewater, Gas and GRUCom - and the implementation of policies adopted by the City Commission.

The Change Management Office was implemented in fiscal year 2017 and directs the assessment, development, implementation and institutionalization of critical organizational changes, in addition to directing GRU's Enterprise Resources Planning strategy. This office also directs the development of GRU's Change Management Plan(s) to maximize full employee and system potential, minimize institutional resistance, and maximize employee engagement.

The Utilities Attorney is part of the City Attorney's Office and provides legal counsel and contract review for the combined utility systems.

Business Services is responsible for management of GRUCom in addition to the development of additional revenue sources for the utility.

Community Relations develops, implements, manages and evaluates more than 13 community outreach programs for the combined utility systems. Additionally, Community Relations is responsible for the utility's community partnerships, diversity and inclusion efforts, community charitable investments, and government relations.

The Communications Department handles all external media requests, social media management, website content management, marketing, advertising and community education issues concerning the utility. Communications is responsible for public relations and brand development for all five utility services. The department develops and implements campaigns, video production, copy writing, strategic planning and media training/coaching, and is an integral part of all employee communications.

## Budget Highlights

Administration is essentially maintaining its proposed budget from fiscal year 2017 to fiscal year 2018 with an \$892 decrease.

- The Community Relations budget has increased to cover the cost of developing and implementing a utility-wide diversity and inclusion initiative.
- The Business Services budget decreased as gas rebates are now budgeted in the Gas System.

## **Customer Support Services**

				0ri	ginal Budget	Re	vised Budget
	Budget 2017	Pro	jection 2017		2018		2018
Expenses:							
Customer Operations Administration	\$ 2,440,848	\$	3,544,384	\$	1,883,570	\$	7,295,408
Energy and Business Services	527,195		527,704		583,573		578,195
Facilities and Administrative Services	2,864,959		2,864,956		3,048,359		2,963,430
Total Expenses	\$ 5,833,002	\$	6,937,044	\$	5,515,502	\$	10,837,033

#### Description

Customer Support Services includes the customer call center, lobby and drive-thru payment processing, billing and collections, energy & business services, new services, and the OneSAP system upgrade. It also includes administrative functions such as utilities purchasing and stores, mail services, land rights and real estate, facilities maintenance and security.

## **Budget Highlights**

There was a substantial increase in Customer Operations Administration from the Budget 2017 figure to the Projection 2017 figure. Likewise the proposed increase to fiscal year 2018 budget is \$5,004,030. This was due almost exclusively to the need to expense SAP project costs to O&M vs. the originally anticipated capitalization of those costs. Customer Operations Administration fiscal year 2017 increase consists of the following components:

- o The OneSAP project accounted for \$1,353,752 of the fiscal year 2017 increase due to additional training and consultant costs.
- o Customer Operations had an overall increase of approximately \$260,000.
- o Planning for SAP upgrade and temporary staff needs in the contact center for \$150,000.
- O Change in the way 3<sup>rd</sup> party payment vendor charges are accounted for in the budget. Formerly these charges were paid by Budget, Finance, Accounting; however, following RFP for new bill/print vendor relationship, payments to the 3<sup>rd</sup> party payment vendor to be budgeted for \$135,000 in Customer Service.
- Energy & Business Services had a slight in increase of less than 10% of Non-Labor 0&M from 2017 to 2018 due to increased equipment & labor expenses for LEEP, funding commitment to Community Weatherization and more community involvement with the Key Accounts Department.
- Facilities and Administrative Services shows a difference in the fiscal year 2017 budget of \$64,000 for a 3% increase in the utilities budget (\$37,000) and for additional security requirements placed on GRU by the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) for Critical Infrastructure Protection (CIP) (\$27,000).

There was a substantial increase in the Customer Operations Administration from the 2018 budget to the Revised 2018 budget. This was due almost exclusively to the initiating the next phase of the SAP project with an expanded scope. The SAP project is a corporate wide Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) project that involves upgrading our financial and billing systems as well as consolidating all of our disparate enterprise asset management (EAM) systems used by the various operational areas into one integrated system.

## Information Technology

				0ri	ginal Budget	Rev	ised Budget
	Budget 2017	Pro	jection 2017		2018		2018
Expenses:							
IT Administration	\$ 3,341,830	\$	2,970,637	\$	3,442,574	\$	3,287,176
Technical Management	222,500		291,233		222,500		257,000
Application Management	170,480		156,416		171,694		517,750
IT Service Desk	302,125		294,122		463,125		288,500
IT Project Management	79,145		81,258		79,145		20,525
Total Expenses	\$ 4,116,080	\$	3,793,666	\$	4,379,039	\$	4,370,951

#### Description

Information Technology (IT) maintains the network, phone, server, storage and data center infrastructure and provides IT and communication services for the combined utilities and General Government. IT supports over 2,100 users and approximately 2,500 desktop and laptop computers used by employees at over 30 locations for the City of Gainesville including GRU. In addition, IT supports mission-critical systems such as the SAP financial management and customer care systems, multiple websites, and various revenue collection systems.

#### **Budget Highlights**

IT is proposing an increase to its fiscal year 2018 budget of \$254,871 over its fiscal year 2017 approved budget.

The IT budget is comprised of major expenditures relating to the support costs and professional services needed to keep mission critical infrastructure, software systems and network environment modernized, secure and stable. The escalation of software maintenance costs for mission critical systems contributed to the fiscal year 2018 budget increase. Newly added software to the SAP environment, renewal of the scheduled Microsoft Enterprise Agreement, and rising costs of general software support were driving factors. The professional services expenditures increased notably in fiscal year 2018 in order to maintain continuity of providing IT support services to the organization as IT resources are reassigned to support OneSAP project efforts.

- Expenses are budgeted for ongoing application and infrastructure support and training for IT staff in order to provide the necessary support for SAP, GRU's Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system, revenue collection systems and other critical IT infrastructure.
- IT partners with operational and administrative areas to more effectively and efficiently support the applications and network infrastructure of GRU.
- Expenses are budgeted to support the continued effort to replace aging equipment and infrastructure for the utility and general government's technology environment.

## Budget, Finance, and Accounting

				0ri	ginal Budget	Re	vised Budget
	Budget 2017	Pı	rojection 2017		2018		2018
Expenses:							
Finance	\$ 24,265	\$	26,455	\$	23,240	\$	24,265
Rates, Forecasting and Business Analytics	37,750		37,449		38,250		33,623
Financial Analysis and Budget	61,391		67,326		63,741		69,519
Accounting	16,121		132,265		16,605		91,121
Accounts Payable	6,780		1,980		6,983		6,780
Total Expenses	\$ 146,307	\$	265,475	\$	148,819	\$	225,308

## Description

Budget, Finance and Accounting is responsible for the external financial statement audit, financial regulatory reporting, the utility's budget, cash forecasting and management, investments, long range financial planning, debt management, rate formulation, forecasting, benchmarking and other various financial and accounting items.

## **Budget Highlights**

Budget, Finance and Accounting is requesting a \$79,000 due to the implementation of a new SAP software system. This software went live in fiscal year 2017 and combined with a planned preparation of an implementation of the Customer Care Service (CCS) and Enterprise Asset Management (EAM) subsidiary ledgers in future years. Budget, Finance and Accounting anticipates significant need for both permanent and temporary staff to support operations.

## **Chief Operating Officer**

				Ori	ginal Budget	Rev	rised Budget
	Budget 2017	Proj	ection 2017		2018		2018
Expenses:							
Chief Operating Officer	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	26,480
Electric Environmental	-		-		128,500		128,750
Compliance	46,780		39,166		8,599		46,500
Training	-		-		-		95,200
Safety	-		-		-		199,580
Total Expenses	\$ 46.780	\$	39.166	\$	137.099	\$	496.510

#### Description

The Chief Operating Officer reports directly to the General Manager and is responsible for the Electric, Water, Wastewater and Gas systems. Additionally, he oversees Electric Environmental Permitting, Electric Compliance, Safety and Training.

Electric Environmental Permitting and Compliance submits all required new and renewal permit applications for all of GRU's generating, transmission and distribution facilities. Additionally, it generates all required reports, ensuring compliance with local, state, and federal ordinances and regulations. Department staff represents GRU during inspections by regulatory agencies and utility advocacy organizations at the state and federal levels.

Compliance is responsible for managing compliance with North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) regulatory requirements. This involves monitoring conformance to NERC standards for system reliability and security under authority delegated by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

Utility Training plans, directs and coordinates all training and proficiency development for all GRU employees, including direction and coordination activities associated with the administration of the Craft and Supervisory Progression-Through-Training Programs (PTTP and SPTTP). IT Provides and maintains an appropriate Learning Management System (LMS) and Learning Content Management System for the organization.

Utility Safety is responsible for directing, administering and implementing GRU's corporate safety program across all departments.

## Budget Highlights

The newly formed Chief Compliance Officer fiscal year 2018 budget will be \$449,730 above the fiscal year 2017 budget of its acquired departments.

- Funds for operations management were previously budgeted with the General Manager. As additional employees and functions were added under the COO's management, it became necessary to create a separate budget for fiscal year 2018.
- Safety and Training were previously budgeted by each department but have been separated into their own divisions to place greater emphasis and importance on them, and to provide unified delivery across the organization.

## **General System**

				0r	iginal Budget	Re	vised Budget
	Budget 2017	Pre	ojection 2017		2018		2018
Expenses:							
Insurance	\$ 2,850,184	\$	2,265,088	\$	2,944,667	\$	2,850,184
Joint Services Allocation	3,266,488		3,266,488		3,258,684		3,266,488
Risk Management Fees	2,000,000		3,980,724		2,060,000		2,000,000
Health Insurance Fund Replenishment	-		833,000		-		-
Professional/Contractual Services	576,000		325,697		576,000		576,000
Bank/Fiscal Agent Fees	2,230,429		2,230,429		2,295,533		2,169,583
Legal Services	730,000		3,768,892		730,000		730,000
Regulatory Fees/Permits	89,104		49,977		60,674		89,104
Pension Bonds	1,928,552		1,928,552		1,986,409		1,928,552
Uncollectible Accts	1,755,365		1,755,365		1,808,026		1,755,365
Other	1,372,403		1,184,001		1,343,200		71,090
Total Expenses	\$ 16,798,525	\$	21,588,213	\$	17,063,193	\$	15,436,366

#### Description

General System Expenditures are of common benefit to all systems, such as financial audit fees, regulatory fees, fringe costs, insurance and payments to General Government for joint services rendered.

#### **Budget Highlights**

General System Expenditures proposes a fiscal year 2018 budget \$1,362,159 lower than the approved budget from fiscal year 2017.

- Insurance premiums and payments for property and liability risks are projected to be below budget in fiscal year 2017 due to a decrease in boiler plant insurance. Risk Management at the City of Gainesville General Government negotiates and selects insurers for the utility. Risk management fees, worker's compensation and general liability are contingent on the number and amount of claims that may be settled during a given year.
- Joint Services Allocation represents GRU's contribution to services such as the City Commission, City Auditor, Equal Opportunity Office and other services that are provided by General Government. Beginning in fiscal year 2017, General Government assumed all HR related staff at GRU and will bill the utility's share of cost through the Joint Services Allocation.
- Risk management fees are projected to nearly double in fiscal year 2017. The utility self-insures against claims. The current fiscal year has incurred above average claims in the first six months. Claims are expected to return closer to average in fiscal year 2018.
- Included the projection 2017 is a one-time payment to replenish the health insurance fund maintained by the City.
- Professional/Contractual Services includes the utility's financial management expenses, rating agency monitoring, cost of service studies, pay studies and other consulting services.
- Examples of "Other" expenditures include record retention/storage, corporate dues and memberships, and other items.

#### **Debt Service**

					0r	iginal Budget	Re	vised Budget
	В	Budget 2017	Pr	ojection 2017		2018		2018
Use of Net Revenues for Debt Service:								
Senior Lien Debt Service Payment	\$	55,064,881	\$	56,489,670	\$	61,032,725	\$	63,059,816
Subordinated Debt Service Payment		6,819,000		6,529,000		860,000		1,412,500
Total Debt Service Before UPIF		61,883,881		63,018,670		61,892,725		64,472,316
Less UPIF Portion of Debt Service Payments		(5,000,000)		(5,000,000)		(5,000,000)		(5,000,000)
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<b>Total Use of Net Revenues for Debt Service</b>	\$	56,883,881	\$	58,018,670	\$	56,892,725	\$	59,472,316

## Description

The Senior Lien Debt Service and Subordinated Debt Service Funds were established by the Amended and Restated Utilities System Revenue Bond Resolution. The amounts deposited into these funds must be used to pay outstanding senior lien or subordinated debt. The Bond Resolution requires that monthly deposits be made to the Senior Lien Debt Service and Subordinated Debt Service Funds after 1) operating and maintenance expenses and 2) required Rate Stabilization Fund transfers are paid. These monies are restricted from other uses and are held in a separate bank account by the Utility's trustee.

#### **Budget Highlights**

- GRU continues to realize reduced interest expense on the 2009 Series B Bonds and the 2010 Series B Bonds as a result of issuing these series utilizing the Build America Bonds program created under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. This program provides a federal subsidy for a portion of the interest cost of the 2009 Series B Bonds and the 2010 Series B Bonds. This subsidy is reflected in other income. Additionally, GRU's Variable Rate Debt continues to achieve historically low rates due to GRU's excellent credit rating and prevailing market conditions.
- The fiscal year 2017 and fiscal year 2018 budgets each include the use of \$5 million of UPIF monies to pay a portion of debt service in the electric system.

## **Utility Plant Improvement Fund**

					0r	iginal Budget	Re	vised Budget
	В	udget 2017	Pr	ojection 2017		2018		2018
Use of Net Revenues for UPIF:								
Electric Revenue Contribution	\$	27,046,177	\$	27,046,177	\$	25,860,966	\$	25,498,577
Water Revenue Contribution		3,093,726		3,093,726		2,978,626		2,878,702
Wastewater Revenue Contribution		7,042,712		7,042,712		7,399,641		7,468,215
Gas Revenue Contribution		9,432,248		9,432,248		9,776,337		9,836,478
GRUCom Revenue Contribution		243,233		243,233		450,523		438,581
Total Use of Net Revenues for UPIF	\$	46,858,096	\$	46,858,096	\$	46,466,093	\$	46,120,553

#### Description

The Utility Plant Improvement Fund (UPIF) was established by the Amended and Restated Utilities System Revenue Bond Resolution. The amounts deposited into this fund can be used to pay for construction costs or for debt service on outstanding debt. This fund represents the equity that is set aside for future construction projects. If, at any time, other monies are not available for the payment of O&M expenses, then UPIF may be used for O&M expenses.

#### Budget Highlights

- Per the Bond Resolution, the utility is required to deposit into UPIF at least one-half of the sum of Net Revenues, including interest income but excluding non-operating revenues and expenses less Senior Lien Debt Service.
- The UPIF monies represent the City's equity investment in the utility and are used to defray the costs
  of maintaining a capital-intensive operation. Currently UPIF is used to pay a portion of the utility's
  construction expenses for all systems. The utility is planning to contribute equity to the capital
  program, lowering potentially borrowed funds by \$65.75 million in fiscal year 2017 and \$48.0
  million in fiscal year 2018.

#### General Fund Transfer

					$\mathbf{0r}$	iginal Budget	Re	vised Budget
	В	udget 2017	Pr	ojection 2017		2018		2018
Use of Net Revenues for GFT:								
Electric	\$	21,094,452	\$	21,087,237	\$	21,441,454	\$	21,427,278
Water		5,748,149		5,794,879		5,748,149		5,838,842
Wastewater		7,234,430		7,247,154		7,234,430		7,348,574
Gas		1,360,932		1,329,794		1,360,932		1,382,405
GRUCom		376,047		376,047		376,047		381,980
Total Use of Net Revenues for GFT	\$	35,814,010	\$	35,835,111	\$	36,161,012	\$	36,379,079

#### Description

On April 17, 2014, a new general fund transfer agreement was approved by the City Commission for fiscal year 2015 through fiscal year 2019 for transfers of monies to the City of Gainesville general fund for use as the City Commission deems appropriate. The transfers are \$35.8 million in fiscal year 2017 and \$36.4 million in fiscal year 2018. A portion of the calculation of the value is application of the property tax revenue received by the city from GREC toward GRU's total transfer. This value may vary from projections, yielding a slight variance from the numbers stated above.

## Budget Highlights

• The fiscal year 2017 GFT is projected to be 13.5 percent of total non-fuel revenues, and fiscal year 2018 is projected at 13.2 percent of total non-fuel revenues.

Section E – Labor

# **Combined System**

	В	udget 2017	Pr	ojection 2017	Or	Original Budget 2018		vised Budget 2018
Operation & Maintenance								
Wages & Fringes	\$	51,943,053	\$	48,348,683	\$	53,486,176	\$	53,427,714
Overtime Pay	•	2,709,130	•	2,818,935	•	2,763,245	•	2,749,735
Temporary Staffing		736,211		914,559		566,721		863,202
Other Pay		1,867,990		1,909,943		1,826,046		1,740,167
Total Operation & Maintenance Labor		57,256,384		53,992,120		58,642,188		58,780,818
Capital Projects								
Wages & Fringes		18,140,063		18,584,937		18,556,220		18,329,101
Overtime Pay		842,275		712,398		859,698		540,786
Temporary Staffing		111,617		274,275		101,402		157,404
Other Pay		344,753		493,574		305,577		266,225
Total Capital Projects Labor		19,438,708		20,065,184		19,822,897		19,293,516
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Wages & Fringes		70,083,116		66,933,620		72,042,396		71,756,815
Overtime Pay		3,551,405		3,531,333		3,622,943		3,290,521
Temporary Staffing		847,828		1,188,834		668,123		1,020,606
Other Pay		2,212,743		2,403,517		2,131,623		2,006,392
Total Labor	\$	76,695,092	\$	74,057,304	\$	78,465,085	\$	78,074,334

	Revised 2017	Original 2018	Revised 2018
Full Time Equivalent (FTE)			
Managerial	76.00	69.00	73.00
Professional	187.00	196.00	195.00
CWA	614.75	615.75	618.25
Overfills	21.00	14.00	17.00
Total FTEs Authorized	898.75	894.75	903.25
Total Positions Filled	792.25		
Total FTEs Vacant	106.50		

#### **New Positions**

The fiscal year 2018 budget recommends the addition of 9.50 positions for the upcoming fiscal year. Seven and one-half of the recommended positions are for administrative areas and two of them are for operational areas. One of the positions is converting from an overfill position into a permanent full time equivalent (FTE) position.

Department		FTE	Position Title	Title Code
105	OneSAP	1.00	Business Systems Analyst, Senior	4065
119	Communications	1.00	Communications Specialist, Senior	2123
140	Customer Operations	2.00	Business Systems Analyst II	4064
140	Customer Operations	1.00	Technical Systems Coordinator	4074
174	Accounting	2.00	Accountant II	3021
175	Accounts Payable	0.50	Account Clerk, Senior	3015
380	Power Systems Operations	1.00	Power Systems Coordinator II	6173
550	Electric Systems Control	1.00	Operational Technology Network Analyst	4076
Total		9.50		

One Business Systems Analyst, Senior is necessary to develop overall training strategy and implement strategy for all System Applications Products (SAP) - includes Financial Management Information System (FMIS), Customer Care System (CCS), Enterprise Asset Management (EAM), Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI), and Open Text projects. This position will be part of the Center of Excellence (COE) and work closely with Organizational Change Management (OCM) to facilitate continuous improvement. There is no budget impact as it was already included in the proposed budget request. A permanent position is required to hire a person with needed expertise.

One Communications Specialist, Senior is necessary as a position and the incumbent was reorganized to support the COE. In an effort to maintain goals of the communications department, we are requesting a replacement FTE. This position is a member of our 24/7 on-call team for media and emergency events for 13 weeks each year. This position oversees the content for the monthly GRU bill insert/newsletter that goes to all 95,000 customers. Some months have more than one bill insert, so we create 12 to 15 bill inserts each year. This position writes at least 30 press releases, which are distributed to the local media, as well writes and proofs 35 letters to the editor/editorials each year. This position is also the liaison with our external advertising agency for public education campaigns on GRU's environmental stewardship and eBill. Environmental campaigns have resulted in an increase in our web traffic for environmental stewardship with 196,934 impressions and 218 clicks. Customer education campaigns for eBill encourage our customers to pay and receive their bills electronically instead of by mail or face-to-face, each of which is more expensive and less efficient than eBill. This position handles eBill email campaigns, which have demonstrated a 26 percent open rate that typically translates into a five percent increase in new customer signups for eBill.

Two Business Systems Analyst II's are needed to meet goals associated with providing best in-class service and improving customer experience by implementing innovative technology, including CCS, Interactive Voice Response (IVR), Web portal, and other utility billing, customer service, and payment enhancements. One Technical Systems Coordinator is needed to supervise the Business Systems Analysts. These positions will work closely with Customer Operations, COE, Information Systems, and vendors to facilitate continuous improvement and enable technology advancements. The Coordinator will work closely with management.

Two additional Accountant II positions are necessary to maintain timely and accurate period closings while implementing the new methodologies associated with SAP best business practices. This additional staff will also allow Accounting to support the SAP merge of the CCS and EAM as subsidiary ledgers.

Accounts Payable recommends adding one-half Account Clerk, Senior to ensure best business practices with vendor relationships, internal communications, and timely payments, which leads to improved discount opportunities for the Utility. This half position will also help support the SAP merge of CCS and EAM.

One Power Systems Coordinator II overfill position will be converted to a regular position. This overfill was part of the combined Energy Supply and Energy Delivery organizational change where Energy Supply took on the responsibility of Transmission Operations and Switching, which required additional personnel to perform this system function. Transmission switching also requires North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) certified operators. Currently Energy Supply has six operators but only five FTEs. The job duties performed require all six NERC certified operators; therefore, converting the Overfill to a regular position is necessary. Additionally, NERC requirements continue to change requiring full-time dual system NERC certified operators when switching occurs.

One Operational Technology Network Analyst is needed for Patch Management related to requirements for BES Cyber Systems (BCS). This matching must be performed in a manner that will allow the operators and the Emergency Management System (EMS) to function 24/7. All tasks assigned must meet the NERC Critical Infrastructure Protection (CIP) requirements, so this is a critical solution to prevent potential violations related to security and compliance. This full-time employee will eliminate the need for related contractors.

#### **Deleted Positions**

The fiscal year 2018 budget recommends the deletion of one FTE position for the upcoming fiscal year.

Department		FTE	Position Title	Title Code
651	GRUCom	-1.00	Analyst, Senior	1241
Total		-1.00		_

## **New and Continuing Overfill Positions**

The fiscal year 2018 budget recommends 17 overfill positions in both operational and administrative areas. Ten of these FTEs are needed for attrition planning due to retirements and resignations of current incumbents; seven are for special projects related to SAP implementation, plant maintenance, or reorganization planning.

Department		FTE	Position Title	Title Code
122	IT Infrastructure Services	1.00	IT Infrastructure Designer and Administrator,Lead	4060
123	IT Application Development	1.00	0 Computer Systems Analyst	
141	Energy and Business Services	1.00	Residential Efficiency Program Coordinator 3	2107
156	Customer Service	1.00	Customer Service Manager	3051
173	Rates and Forecasting	1.00 Enterprise Architect		4002
174	Accounting	1.00	Accountant II	3021
240	Water/ Wastewater Engineering	ewater Engineering 1.00 Engineer IV		6067
330	Deerhaven Plant	1.00	Process Plant Operator 2	6357
330	Deerhaven Plant	1.00	Account Clerk, Senior	3015
330	Deerhaven Plant	4.00	Accelerated Production Operator 3	6299
340	Major Maintenance Group	1.00	Power Plant Mechanic	6337
340	Outage and Major Maintenance	1.00	Major Maintenance Leader	6336
570	Field Services	1.00	Utilities Location Technician	6101
910	General Manager	1.00	Advisor to the GM for Utilities	1044
Total		17.00		

## The following overfill FTEs pertain to attrition planning:

One Infrastructure Designer and Administrator, Lead is needed in anticipation of a pending retirement. This overfill allows the Information Technology (IT) Technical Management area to begin an intense knowledge transfer process that includes the transition of knowledge for software systems (specifically SAP) as well as business process knowledge. This is a lead position for which orderly succession is required for stability and continuity of SAP service delivery.

One Computer Systems Analyst is needed in anticipation of a pending retirement. This overfill allows the IT Application Management area to begin an intense knowledge transfer process that includes the transition of knowledge for software system (specifically Open Text) as well as business process knowledge. The transition will better position IT to sustain a healthy support and growth environment for GRU's enterprise systems.

One Process Plant Operator 2 must continue for succession planning due to upcoming retirement. Energy Supply has hired at the trainee level to allow for adequate training time and knowledge transfer. This will reduce overtime and Process Water costs at Deerhaven.

One Account Clerk, Senior must continue because the current highly trained incumbent has entered the Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP) and expected retirement date is March 2018. Current duties need significant training that cannot be covered by written procedures/instructions, especially due to the process and account structure changes related to SAP. The overfill is requested to maintain the accuracy and timeliness of the operations and maintenance (O&M) and capital payables for production and major maintenance, which includes all outages at Deerhaven. This position is instrumental in our purchasing, requisition, and payables processes. This overfill allows for adequate training time with year-end processes and outages at Kelly and Deerhaven Generating Stations.

Four Accelerated Production Operator 3 positions are required because there are 19 personnel with 18 plus years of seniority, and they could leave at any time. The department must be proactive in succession planning because several of these positions are high level and require years of preparation. Energy Supply

production is responsible for South Energy Center (SEC), Innovation Energy Center (IEC), and multiple generation facilities. Additionally, environmental regulatory tasks requirements have increased over the past two years. The positions will be filled at the trainee level to allow for adequate advanced training and knowledge transfer.

One Utilities Location Technician must continue because of planned retirements. An overfill position was added in fiscal year 2014 in order to prepare for the retirement of one of the locators in March 2016. Since the retirement has recently occurred, and through the process of attrition, the overfill position is now vacant. Looking to the future, there is a need to hire a new overfill position in preparation of another scheduled retirement, which will occur in August 2018. In order to prepare and plan for sustainability, a new overfill should be hired immediately, due to the three-year Progression Through Training Progression (PTTP) durations.

One Advisor to the General Manager must continue as a long-tenured employee will be retiring and has been moved into an advisory role for the purpose of working on special projects and knowledge transfer.

#### The following overfill FTEs pertain to special projects:

One Residential Efficiency Program Coordinator 3 must continue as the Energy and Business Services Department continues to reorganize to meet customers' changing needs which include improving performance and increasing the efficiency of services provided to our customers. A current position held in this department was selected to the SAP Project. This leaves a long-term shortage of staff. This overfill assists with researching and reviewing of accounts, responding to charge disputes, correcting billing and account errors, facilitating turn-ons and turn-offs, addressing past due accounts, investigating and establishing rental light charges, monitoring dunning, etc.

One Customer Service Manager must continue as the Customer Operations department continues to reorganize to meet customers' changing needs, which includes the implementation of a Customer Experience Manager and increased knowledge in customer services regarding field services. The Energy & Business Services Department initially maintained three Account Representative Sr. positions to oversee approximately 100 key customers with well over 500 accounts. In 2016 the positions were decreased to two, but the number of key customers along with their accounts did not, leaving a void in providing continuous quality service. One Utility Billing and Customer Solutions Specialist is needed to improve performance and efficiency by assisting the Senior Account Representative with researching and reviewing accounts, responding to charge disputes, correcting billing and account errors, facilitating turn ons and offs, addressing past due accounts, investigating and establishing rental light charges, monitoring dunning, etc. This overfill position would be needed for a minimum of two years or until which time the current incumbent's special assignment is vacated.

One Enterprise Architect is requested because the current incumbent of this position was selected to lead the SAP CCS Implementation Project. This leaves a long term/ indefinite shortage of staff in the Budget, Finance, and Accounting Department. If approved, this overfill will allow us to maintain staffing and manage workloads while this staff member focuses on the SAP project.

One Accountant II overfill is needed in order to maintain timely and accurate period closings while implementing the new methodologies associated with SAP best business practices. While current staff is focused on SAP best practice implementations, this overfill will ensure adequate staffing coverage of day-to-day operations required for timely period closings and audit.

One Engineer IV must continue due to current incumbent commitments to the SAP implementation project. The Water/ Wastewater Engineering Department relies on this engineer to manage utility relocations and piping infrastructure on construction projects. This overfill will continue until the current incumbent is reassigned.

One Power Plant Mechanic must continue due to the additional field equipment needing routine preventive maintenance since the Deerhaven Unit 2 Air Quality Control System (AQCS) became operational in 2009. Initially two Power Plant Mechanic overfill positions were added to meet the expected additional workload. Since then, Energy Supply reduced to one overfill position. In a continuous effort to reduce costs, Energy Supply has moved towards using internal resources to perform work traditionally performed by contractors. Further evaluation will be performed in fiscal year 2018 to determine if the Power Plant Mechanic overfill will be converted into a regular position, or if it could be deleted.

One Major Maintenance Leader is necessary because Energy Supply's Major Maintenance Leader is serving on the SAP EAM Project. The incumbent has been retained full time by the project as the EAM Project Coordinator effective February 2017. The duration of the assignment is unknown at this time.

# **Energy Supply**

	В	Budget 2017 Projection 2017		Or	Original Budget 2018		vised Budget 2018	
Operation & Maintenance								
Wages & Fringes	\$	13,334,398	\$	13,025,713	\$	13,883,254	\$	13,438,085
Overtime Pay	•	1,022,954	,	1,084,882	•	1,043,358	•	1,079,176
Temporary Staffing		110,097		177,577		66,868		132,840
Other Pay		398,316		402,119		406,263		420,694
Total Operation & Maintenance Labor		14,865,765		14,690,291		15,399,743		15,070,795
Capital Projects								
Wages & Fringes		235,038		770,376		248,774		317,897
Overtime Pay		925		97,316		925		870
Temporary Staffing		-		96,821		-		-
Other Pay		637		2,844		644		605
Total Capital Projects Labor		236,600		967,357		250,343		319,372
Wages & Fringes		13,569,436		13,796,089		14,132,028		13,755,982
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Overtime Pay		1,023,879		1,182,198		1,044,283		1,080,046
Temporary Staffing		110,097		274,398		66,868		132,840
Other Pay		398,953		404,963		406,907		421,299
Total Labor	\$	15,102,365	\$	15,657,648	\$	15,650,086	\$	15,390,167

	Revised 2017	Original 2018	Revised 2018
FTE Positions			
Managerial	14.00	13.00	13.00
Professional	24.00	25.00	20.00
CWA	116.00	116.00	117.00
Overfills	5.00	4.00	8.00
Total FTE Positions	159.00	158.00	158.00

## **District Energy**

	Budget 2017		Projection 2017		Original Budget 2018		Rev	vised Budget 2018
Operation & Maintenance								
Wages & Fringes	\$	762,768	\$	672,703	\$	775,075	\$	964,893
Overtime Pay		75,000		74,442		75,000		105,752
Temporary Staffing		-		32,637		-		9,600
Other Pay		53,090		41,259		34,312		62,900
Total Operation & Maintenance Labor		890,858		821,041		884,387		1,143,145
Capital Projects								
Wages & Fringes		223,509		244,641		226,627		36,978
Overtime Pay		-		9,682		-		-
Temporary Staffing		-		32,926		-		-
Other Pay		18,650		14,585		9,278		-
Total Capital Projects Labor		242,159		301,834		235,905		36,978
Wages & Fringes		986,277		917,344		1,001,702		1,001,871
Overtime Pay		75,000		84,124		75,000		1,001,071
Temporary Staffing		73,000		65,563		7 3,000		9,600
Other Pay		71,740		55,844		43,590		62,900
Total Labor	\$	1,133,017	\$	1,122,875	\$	1,120,292	\$	1,180,123

	Revised 2017	Original 2018	Revised 2018
FTE Positions			
Managerial	2.00	2.00	2.00
Professional	2.00	1.00	1.00
CWA	6.00	7.00	7.00
Overfills	1.00	1.00	0.00
Total FTE Positions	11.00	11.00	10.00

# **Energy Delivery**

	В	Budget 2017 Projection 2017		Or	Original Budget 2018		vised Budget 2018	
Operation & Maintenance								
Wages & Fringes	\$	11,478,865	\$	10,671,752	\$	11,789,202	\$	11,073,343
Overtime Pay	•	419,491	•	685,869	·	425,019	·	469,927
Temporary Staffing		178,526		252,995		75,347		206,404
Other Pay		394,469		451,716		373,503		278,027
Total Operation & Maintenance Labor		12,471,351		12,062,332		12,663,071		12,027,701
Capital Projects								
Wages & Fringes		8,911,464		8,062,698		9,160,666		9,509,183
Overtime Pay		229,910		221,977		233,416		160,557
Temporary Staffing		69,612		53,003		70,647		59,058
Other Pay		188,729		266,814		168,652		160,846
Total Capital Projects Labor		9,399,715		8,604,492		9,633,381		9,889,644
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Wages & Fringes		20,390,329		18,734,450		20,949,868		20,582,526
Overtime Pay		649,401		907,846		658,435		630,484
Temporary Staffing		248,138		305,998		145,994		265,462
Other Pay		583,198		718,530		542,155		438,873
Total Labor	\$	21,871,066	\$	20,666,824	\$	22,296,452	\$	21,917,345

	Revised 2017	Original 2018	Revised 2018
FTE Positions			
Managerial	15.00	15.00	14.00
Professional	35.00	35.00	36.00
CWA	215.00	216.00	216.00
Overfills	7.00	2.00	1.00
Total FTE Positions	272.00	268.00	267.00

### Water

	В	sudget 2017 Projection 2017		Original Budget 2018		Revised Budget 2018		
Operation & Maintenance								
Wages & Fringes	\$	3,134,818	\$	3,365,343	\$	3,313,574	\$	3,238,705
Overtime Pay	•	602,148	•	348,050	•	627,448	•	473,725
Temporary Staffing		82,279		111,960		85,120		109,100
Other Pay		261,204		231,357		281,125		250,010
Total Operation & Maintenance Labor		4,080,449		4,056,710		4,307,267		4,071,540
Capital Projects								
Wages & Fringes		2,230,716		2,582,643		2,276,470		2,002,576
Overtime Pay		339,866		200,930		346,566		249,775
Temporary Staffing		-		19,101		-		20,000
Other Pay		20,851		46,130		24,348		14,440
Total Capital Projects Labor		2,591,433		2,848,804		2,647,384		2,286,791
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Wages & Fringes		5,365,534		5,947,986		5,590,044		5,241,281
Overtime Pay		942,014		548,980		974,014		723,500
Temporary Staffing		82,279		131,061		85,120		129,100
Other Pay		282,055		277,487		305,473		264,450
Total Labor	\$	6,671,882	\$	6,905,514	\$	6,954,651	\$	6,358,331

	Revised 2017	Original 2018	Revised 2018
FTE Positions			
Managerial	5.00	5.50	5.00
Professional	9.00	8.00	8.50
CWA	55.50	56.50	55.50
Overfills	2.00	1.00	0.50
Total FTE Positions	71.50	71.00	69.50

### Wastewater

	Bı	udget 2017	Pro	ojection 2017	Ori	ginal Budget 2018	Re	vised Budget 2018
Operation & Maintenance								
Wages & Fringes	\$	4,518,729	\$	4,469,195	\$	4,702,919	\$	4,652,597
Overtime Pay	•	445,395	•	439,231	·	463,223	•	485,550
Temporary Staffing		80,055		86,739		87,240		101,000
Other Pay		398,290		319,333		416,166		313,010
Total Operation & Maintenance Labor		5,442,469		5,314,498		5,669,548		5,552,157
Capital Projects								
Wages & Fringes		2,548,531		2,275,304		2,632,710		2,518,564
Overtime Pay		249,619		142,029		256,791		108,450
Temporary Staffing		-		19,101		-		20,000
Other Pay		26,751		58,801		27,307		16,940
Total Capital Projects Labor		2,824,901		2,495,235		2,916,808		2,663,954
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Wages & Fringes		7,067,260		6,744,499		7,335,629		7,171,161
Overtime Pay		695,014		581,260		720,014		594,000
Temporary Staffing		80,055		105,840		87,240		121,000
Other Pay		425,041		378,134		443,473		329,950
Total Labor	\$	8,267,370	\$	7,809,733	\$	8,586,356	\$	8,216,111

	Revised 2017	Original 2018	Revised 2018
FTE Positions			
Managerial	4.00	4.50	4.00
Professional	9.00	8.00	8.50
CWA	86.50	86.50	86.50
Overfills	3.00	2.00	0.50
Total FTE Positions	102.50	101.00	99.50

### GRUCom

	Ві	udget 2017	17 Projection 2017		Original Budget 2018		Rev	vised Budget 2018
Operation & Maintenance								
Wages & Fringes	\$	2,213,186	\$	1,951,168	\$	2,251,098	\$	1,991,980
Overtime Pay		52,500	·	63,861	•	52,500	•	52,500
Temporary Staffing		45,000		14,318		11,250		52,500
Other Pay		70,486		64,082		65,995		55,725
Total Operation & Maintenance Labor		2,381,172		2,093,429		2,380,843		2,152,705
Capital Projects								
Wages & Fringes		737,729		764,282		750,366		663,993
Overtime Pay		17,500		35,386		17,500		17,500
Temporary Staffing		15,000		1,497		3,750		17,500
Other Pay		23,495		17,120		21,998		18,575
Total Capital Projects Labor		793,724		818,285		793,614		717,568
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Wages & Fringes		2,950,915		2,715,450		3,001,464		2,655,973
Overtime Pay		70,000		99,247		70,000		70,000
Temporary Staffing		60,000		15,815		15,000		70,000
Other Pay		93,981		81,202		87,993		74,300
Total Labor	\$	3,174,896	\$	2,911,714	\$	3,174,457	\$	2,870,273

	Revised 2017	Original 2018	Revised 2018
FTE Positions			
Managerial	4.00	3.00	3.00
Professional	8.00	9.00	8.00
CWA	27.00	27.00	27.00
Overfills	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Total FTE Positions</b>	39.00	39.00	38.00

### Administration

	Ві	ıdget 2017	Pro	jection 2017	Ori	ginal Budget 2018	Re	vised Budget 2018
Operation & Maintenance								
Wages & Fringes	\$	1,467,620	\$	1,314,693	\$	1,495,145	\$	2,853,113
Overtime Pay	•	4,164	•	-	•	4,201	•	, , , <u>-</u>
Temporary Staffing		-		76,028		-		12,480
Other Pay		60,666		34,288		48,671		43,202
Total Operation & Maintenance Labor		1,532,450		1,425,009		1,548,017		2,908,795
Capital Projects								
Wages & Fringes		327,005		314,107		333,527		249,622
Overtime Pay		38		-		50		-
Temporary Staffing		-		26,712		-		_
Other Pay		11,156		13,901		11,175		5,282
Total Capital Projects Labor		338,199		354,720		344,752		254,904
Wages & Fringes		1,794,625		1,628,800		1,828,672		3,102,735
Overtime Pay		4,201		-		4,251		-
Temporary Staffing		-		102,739		-		12,480
Other Pay		71,822		48,189		59,845		48,483
Total Labor	\$	1,870,649	\$	1,779,728	\$	1,892,769	\$	3,163,698

	Revised 2017	Original 2018	Revised 2018
FTE Positions			
Managerial	6.00	5.00	7.00
Professional	7.00	5.00	15.00
CWA	3.00	2.00	3.00
Overfills	1.00	1.00	1.00
Total FTE Positions	17.00	13.00	26.00

# **Customer Support Services**

	Bı	Budget 2017 Projection 2017		0ri	Original Budget 2018		vised Budget 2018	
Operation & Maintenance								
Wages & Fringes	\$	7,351,257	\$	6,562,703	\$	7,534,970	\$	7,588,309
Overtime Pay	,	78,083	,	109,865	*	63,099	•	70,200
Temporary Staffing		89,720		84,189		90,360		76,040
Other Pay		123,461		192,695		88,832		185,940
Total Operation & Maintenance Labor		7,642,521		6,949,452		7,777,261		7,920,489
Capital Projects								
Wages & Fringes		1,497,049		1,444,211		1,482,320		1,444,257
Overtime Pay		2,112		2,339		2,146		800
Temporary Staffing		-		-		-		_
Other Pay		36,550		37,044		23,774		18,626
Total Capital Projects Labor		1,535,711		1,483,594		1,508,240		1,463,683
Wages & Fringes		8,848,305		8,006,914		9,017,290		9,032,566
Overtime Pay		80,195		112,204		65,245		71,000
Temporary Staffing		89,720		84,189		90,360		76,040
Other Pay		160,011		229,739		112,605		204,566
Total Labor	\$	9,178,232	\$	8,433,045	\$	9,285,500	\$	9,384,172

	Revised 2017	Original 2018	Revised 2018
FTE Positions			
Managerial	13.00	12.00	13.00
Professional	31.00	35.00	33.00
CWA	88.25	86.25	88.25
Overfills	1.00	2.00	2.00
Total FTE Positions	133.25	135.25	136.25

# Information Technology

	Bı	Budget 2017 Projection 2017		Original Budget 2018		Revised Budget 2018		
Operation & Maintenance								
Wages & Fringes	\$	5,818,152	\$	4,519,268	\$	5,840,416	\$	5,679,527
Overtime Pay		5,896		9,249		5,896		9,416
Temporary Staffing		143,035		61,022		143,035		154,779
Other Pay		82,009		137,822		84,992		104,279
Total Operation & Maintenance Labor		6,049,092		4,727,361		6,074,339		5,948,001
Capital Projects								
Wages & Fringes	793,3		1,381,307		796,420			774,481
Overtime Pay		804		1,190		804	1,2	1,284
Temporary Staffing		19,505		8,021		19,505		21,106
Other Pay		11,183		18,796		11,590		14,220
Total Capital Projects Labor		824,876		1,409,314		828,319		811,091
Wages & Fringes		6,611,536		5,900,575		6,636,836		6,454,008
Overtime Pay		6,700		10,440		6,700		10,700
Temporary Staffing		162,540		69,043		162,540		175,885
Other Pay		93,192		156,618		96,582		118,499
Total Labor	\$	6,873,968	\$	6,136,676	\$	6,902,658	\$	6,759,092

	Revised 2017	Original 2018	Revised 2018
FTE Positions			
Managerial	7.00	5.00	6.00
Professional	44.00	52.00	45.00
CWA	12.00	12.00	12.00
Overfills	1.00	1.00	2.00
Total FTE Positions	64.00	70.00	65.00

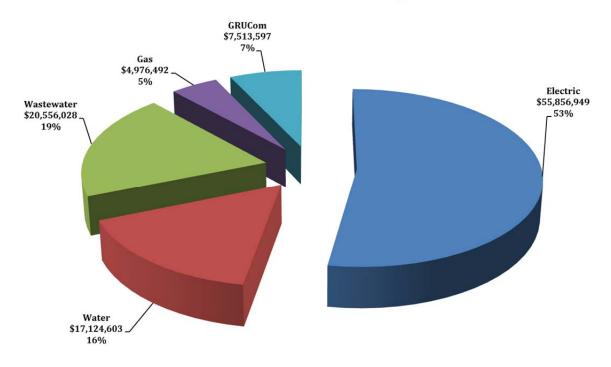
# **Budget, Finance, and Accounting**

	Bı	udget 2017	Pro	jection 2017	Original Budge		Rev	vised Budget 2018
Operation & Maintenance								
Wages & Fringes	\$	1,863,260	\$	1,796,145	\$	1,900,522	\$	1,947,161
Overtime Pay		3,500		3,485		3,500		3,490
Temporary Staffing		7,500		17,094		7,500		8,460
Other Pay		26,000		35,271		26,188		26,380
Total Operation & Maintenance Labor		1,900,260		1,851,995		1,937,710		1,985,491
Capital Projects								
Wages & Fringes		635,637		745,367		648,340		811,551
Overtime Pay		1,500		1,549		1,500	•	1,550
Temporary Staffing		7,500		17,094		7,500		19,740
Other Pay		6,750		17,540		6,813		16,691
Total Capital Projects Labor		651,387		781,550		664,153		849,532
Wages & Fringes		2,498,896		2,541,512		2,548,862		2,758,711
Overtime Pay		5,000		5,034		5,000		5,040
Temporary Staffing		15,000		34,188		15,000		28,200
Other Pay		32,750		52,812		33,000		43,070
Total Labor	\$	2,551,646	\$	2,633,546	\$	2,601,862	\$	2,835,021

	Revised 2017	Original 2018	Revised 2018
FTE Positions			
Managerial	6.00	4.00	6.00
Professional	18.00	18.00	20.00
CWA	5.50	6.50	6.00
Overfills	0.00	0.00	2.00
Total FTE Positions	29.50	28.50	34.00

**Section F – Capital Projects** 

# Combined Systems Fiscal Year 2018 Budget

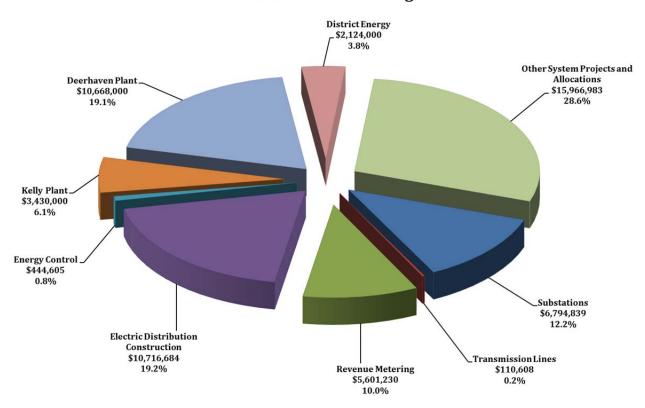


**Combined Systems** 

GRUCom	•	3,597
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Gas	4.97	6,492
Wastewater	20,55	6,028
Water	17,12	4,603
Electric	\$ 55,85	6,949

# **Capital Projects**

### Electric System Fiscal Year 2018 Budget



#### **Electric Projects**

Substations	\$ 6,794,839
Transmission Lines	110,608
Revenue Metering	5,601,230
Electric Distribution Construction	10,716,684
Energy Control	444,605
Kelly Plant	3,430,000
Deerhaven Plant	10,668,000
District Energy	2,124,000
Other System Projects and Allocations	15,966,983
Total Projects	\$ 55,856,949

### **Electric System**

#### Energy Supply Major Projects

- Energy Supply's capital budget for Fiscal Year 2018 represents a total investment of \$14.1 million of which \$10.7 million is allocated to the Deerhaven Generating Station account and \$3.4 million allocated to the JRK Generating Station account. The drivers for the majority of the investments are for reliability (including life cycle management and electrical safety), regulatory requirements and capital improvements that yield savings.
- In order to meet increasing cyber security requirements for NERC, \$350,000 will be used across Deerhaven and the JRK plants to meet these increased requirements.

#### JRK Generating Station Major Projects

- Electrical life cycle replacement and controls are the largest focus for the generating units at JRK for a total of \$1.95 million. This includes a project for life cycle replacement of Combustion Turbine 4 controls system at \$650,000. \$600,000 will be spent on 4160 V switchgear replacement and motor control center replacements.
  - Also for Gas Turbine 4, there is \$325,000 for investment in the critical spare parts such as fuel nozzles, combustion liners and transition pieces, which will need to be completed for the planned combustion inspection in Fiscal Year 2019. This is for reliability of the unit and is required periodically due to the high temperatures and thermal cycles the metal is exposed to in a combustion turbine service.

#### Deerhaven Generating Station Major Projects

- Deerhaven Unit 2 has the majority of the capital needs for Fiscal Year 2018 at \$4.5 million:
  - o The largest single project of \$1 million is a capital improvement for booster fan conversion to variable frequency drives that has a savings with 3.5 year payback.
  - Replacement of two high pressure feedwater heaters will cost \$540,000 and will prevent degradation of DH2's efficiency
  - The digital control system life cycle management continues this year replacing hardware for \$400,000.
- Gas Turbine 3 has an investment of \$3.6 million:
  - o \$2.8 million will be for turbine components needed for the major inspection in the Spring.
  - \$800,000 is for a generator field rewind to address insulation migration issues that have been identified by the original equipment manufacturer. This will ensure reliability of the generator.

#### District Energy Major Projects

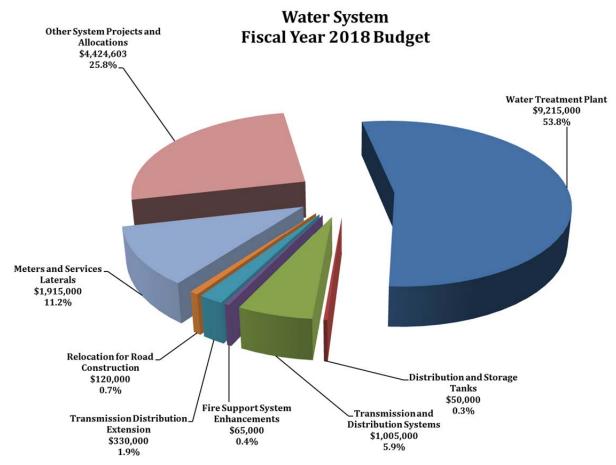
- The South Energy Center (SEC) is adding electrical generation and chilled water capacity to support the new UF Health Heart & Vascular and Neuromedicine hospitals currently under construction. GRU is investing in capital assets including a reciprocating natural gas-fired engine, a backup diesel generator, a chiller, cooling towers, transformers, circuit breakers, and other ancillary equipment. The total budget for the project is \$28.5 million, of which \$2.1 million is budgeted in Fiscal Year 2018.
- Construction on the SEC Phase II began in Fiscal Year 2016. GRU will continue to purchase, install and commission equipment at the SEC in a phased approach through early Fiscal Year 2018. The new hospital will open in December 2017.
- Capital investments in the SEC are recovered from UF Health in accordance with GRU's contract with UF
  Health. Net revenues from the SEC flow back to GRU's electric fund, helping to provide rate relief to all
  GRU electric customers.
- Funds for the investment in the SEC were approved during the November 6, 2014 City Commission meeting.

#### Energy Delivery Major Projects

- In substations and relay will focus on upgrading distribution and transmission equipment for system reliability. The McMichen High Side upgrade (\$378,810) includes transmission switches, bus work and relays. We are replacing aging transmission oil breakers (\$465,890) throughout our system, power transformer tap changer upgrades (\$209,272), power transformer oil pump replacements (\$194,000) and 40+ year-old problematic insulators (\$304,862) at the Kelly Substation. Additionally, we are working towards adding a third transformer at Parker substation (\$3,846,200) in order to improve system reliability.
- Revenue Metering The AMI metering infrastructure is continuing to grow with installation at apartment complexes (\$822,197.50). New growth within the electric service territory includes meeting metering requirements for new residential construction projects (\$218,545). Regarding electric metering requirements for commercial, there is a continuing focus on transformer rated metering CT jobs (\$115,875) and self-contained meter change outs (\$119,399).
- In addition to GRU Electric Energy Delivery's normal construction workload GRU encounters what we call "Force Relocation." The City of Gainesville DOT, Alachua County DOT and the CRA all have projects that require an estimated \$2.4 million of GRU Electric construction efforts. Of these projects GRU estimates a CIAC (Contribution in Aid of Construction) of \$2.25 million. The CIAC is in accordance with the City of Gainesville Code of Ordinances.

	Project	Proje	ect Estimate	CI	AC Estimate	Remarks
1.)	SW 4th Ave	\$	90,000	\$	90,000	COG/DPW and John Fleming
2.)	S Main St		1,300,000		1,300,000	CRA
3.)	SW 8th Ave		850,000		850,000	Alachua County / DPW
4.)	NW 1st Ave		10,000		10,000	CRA
5.)	SE 4th Ave		150,000		0	No CIAC as of 6/9/2017
Tota	als	\$	2,400,000	\$	2,250,000	

- Another large project is the replacement of HID (High Intensity Discharge) lights with LED (Light Emitting Diode) lights over a 5-year period. There are 27,360 lights both street light and rental. The annual cost of this program is an estimated \$2,113,977.
- Additions to GRU "backbone" transmission and distribution are required periodically to
  accommodate added load as well as large customers. Examples of such customers are "The
  Standard," "Butler North and Town Center," Celebration Point and the I-Hub District. The Fiscal Year
  2018 Budget for this category is \$525,000.
- Associated with residential and commercial developments are individual customers, stores, restaurants and outlets that require GRU construction to connect them to our "backbone" system. The Fiscal Year 2018 budget for this category is \$1,725,000.
- GRU is no different than any other electric utility in the country. To the extent that there are proven industry wide capital investment programs (reliability programs) that either extend the life of existing infrastructure or replace facilities that reach the end of its useful life. Examples of industry wide Remove & Replace programs are infrared inspection of strategic equipment, pole inspection and treatment program, underground cable injection of 1986 and older cables to extend their life, replacement of underground cables that cannot be injected, electrical clearance improvements (Basic Insulation Level BIL), segmentation and additional fusing to lessen the effects of power interruptions, and group replacement of aging underground secondary connectors. Fiscal Year 2018 budget for this category is \$1,800,000.
- Associated with the 750 +/- electric interruptions GRU crews respond to each year are certain capital
  expenditures. Examples of these are the replacement of poles and conductor from "Acts of God" or
  vehicle accidents, replacement of transformers or replacement of house services. Fiscal Year 2018
  budget for this category is \$925,000.
- In Fiscal Year 2017 GRU Electric T&D removed the last of the 72, 30-35 year-old sub-surface switchgears that were failing and causing large interruptions particularly in the downtown area.
- GRU has received the final audit of express from Federal Emergency Management Agency and is expected to be authorized to receive in excess of \$600,000 (out of approximately \$800,000 total expenses) for expenses encountered in Hurricane Hermine in September 2016.



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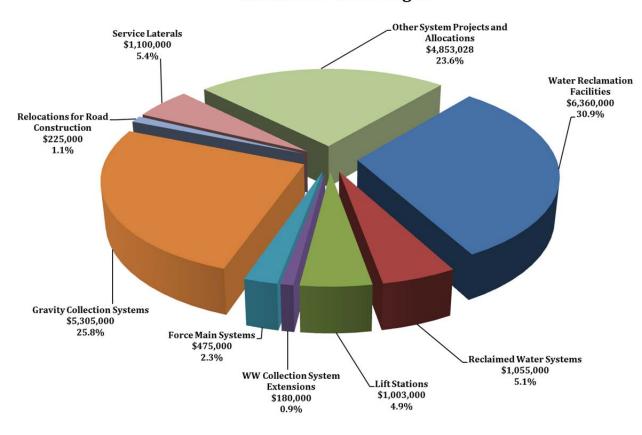
Water Treatment Plant	\$ 9,215,000
Distribution and Storage Tanks	50,000
Transmission and Distribution Systems	1,005,000
Fire Support System Enhancements	65,000
Transmission Distribution Extension	330,000
Relocation for Road Construction	120,000
Meters and Services Laterals	1,915,000
Other System Projects and Allocations	4,424,603
Total Projects	\$ 17,124,603

#### **Water System**

#### Major Projects

- Electrical System Upgrade: The primary goal of this project is to address process reliability of the Murphree Water Treatment Plant (MWTP). The project will address replacement of large electrical equipment and conductors that are original to MWTP (1975). A new electrical building with new motor control centers (MCC), conductors and duct banks to process related equipment will be constructed along with a 1,000 kW plant engine generator set. This project will provide the reliability needed to continue to operate Gainesville's only water treatment plant for the next 40 years.
- Water Main Renewal and Replacement: GRU is continuing to invest in replacing galvanized and cast iron water mains throughout the service area. These efforts are designed to upgrade and rehabilitate the water system and improve water pressure. The specific areas are selected by analyzing water pressures, known pressure issues, and areas where repair work has been conducted to determine the most cost-effective improvement projects.
- Water Service Renewal and Replacement: GRU is continuing to invest in replacing water service
  throughout the service area. These efforts are designed to replace water services at which there are
  significant leaks thereby conserving water, reducing customer interruptions, and extending the life of the
  water system. The specific areas for replacements are targeted based on analysis of work orders and
  leaks to determine the most cost-effective replacement projects.
- Water Meter Change out Program: The water meter change out program is designed to identify large and small meters with reduced accuracy or known issues to be replaced with new meters. This program more accurately measures customer water usage, therefore correcting and increasing water revenue.
- Utility roadway relocation projects: There are numerous projects that require water distribution lines to be located because they are impacted by roadway work within the public right-of-way. Projects projected in FY18 include two County Public Works projects (1) SW 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue extension to SW 143<sup>rd</sup> Street and (2) SW 63<sup>rd</sup> Blvd/SW 20<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

## Wastewater System Fiscal Year 2018 Budget



#### **Wastewater Projects**

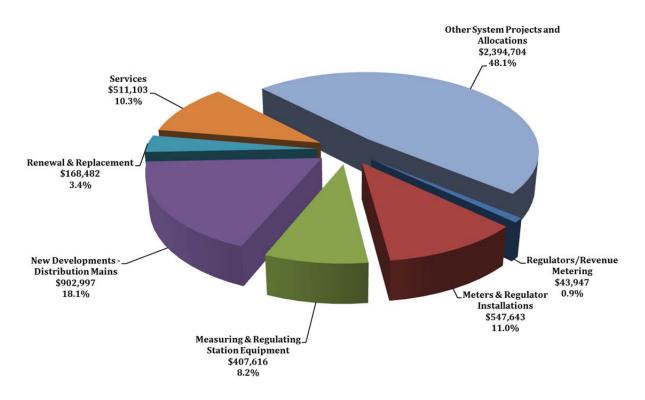
Water Reclamation Facilities	\$ 6,360,000
Reclaimed Water Systems	1,055,000
Lift Stations	1,003,000
WW Collection System Extensions	180,000
Force Main Systems	475,000
Gravity Collection Systems	5,305,000
Relocations for Road Construction	225,000
Service Laterals	1,100,000
Other System Projects and Allocations	4,853,028
Total Projects	\$ 20,556,028

#### **Wastewater System**

#### Major Projects

- MSWRF Headworks Replacement Multi-year project to construct a new headworks structure including the installation of new fine band screen, influent flow meter, flow transfer station, grit removal system, flow control structure, electric gear, odor control system and PLC panel. The existing MSWRF headworks facility was constructed in the 1980's. The existing equipment is past its useful life and needs to be replaced. In addition, the new centrifuge equipment installed for the Dewatering Project require finer screening facilities than currently installed to prevent maintenance issues and extend the useful life of the centrifuges.
- Main Street Water Reclamation Facility (MSWRF) East Train Rehab The project consists of major rehabilitation work on the east train of the MSWRF including the replacement of the clarifier mechanism, electrical gear, control panel, PLC, upgrades to pump station, and repairs and lining of the concrete structures. The east train is the oldest treatment train at the MSWRF, originally installed in the 1960's. The east clarifier has significant signs of deterioration to its mechanical components. In August 2015, one of the mechanical components of the clarifier failed in normal operation and an emergency temporary repair was made to place the basin back into service. The east clarifier has been deemed the "workhorse" of all of the clarifiers.
- Continue to invest in rehabilitating aging infrastructure in the wastewater collection system through trenchless technology including cured in place pipe (CIPP) often referred to as slip lining. This technology allows GRU to improve the existing deteriorated pipe by installing a new pipe liner inside the existing pipe. This technique reduces the cost and disruption of opening a roadway to conduct repairs or replacements on existing sanitary sewer gravity collection mains. These investments extend the life of the pipe, restores capacity, and reduce inflow and infiltration.
- Infiltration and Inflow These projects consist of identifying areas of the gravity collection system that stormwater is entering and reinforcing the collection system to eliminate the inflow or infiltration. The identification of priority areas will include a system-wide assessment to focus improvement efforts in the most effective areas. Rehabilitation includes lining gravity sewer mains, gravity manholes, lining sewer laterals and identifying and eliminating sources of inflow through smoke testing or other techniques. By identifying and eliminating these sources of inflow we will increase available treatment capacity at the water reclamation facilities, reduce treatment costs, increase available capacity in the collection system and extend the life of collection system infrastructure.

# Gas System Fiscal Year 2018 Budget



**Gas Projects** 

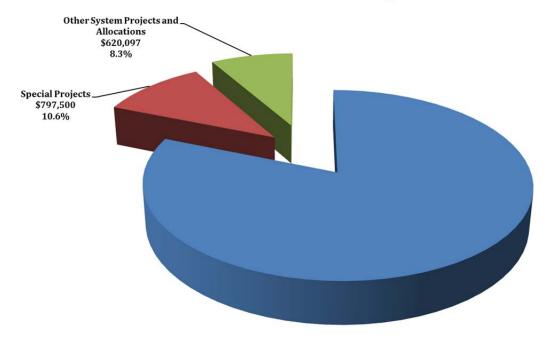
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Regulators/Revenue Metering	\$ 43,947
Meters & Regulator Installations	547,643
Measuring & Regulating Station Equipment	407,616
New Developments - Distribution Mains	902,997
Renewal & Replacement	168,482
Services	511,103
Other System Projects and Allocations	2,394,704
Total Projects	\$ 4,976,492

#### **Gas System**

#### Major Projects

- Updates and improvements to the transfer (gate) and pressure regulating stations are required to continue to meet the increased demands of the overall gas system and regulatory requirements. The Fiscal Year 2018 budget for this category is \$238,138.
- Continued system main line extensions and improvement projects are necessary to deliver service to new or existing developments, such as with subdivisions like Oakmont Phase 2, Gloria's Way and Town of Tioga. The Fiscal Year 2018 budget for this category is \$902,997.
- System renewal and replacement of aging pipe are planned for continued reliability, safety improvements and customer satisfaction. The planned work methodically progresses to replace black plastic and aged steel piping, which extends throughout the core of GRU's service area. The Fiscal Year 2018 budget for this category is \$168,482.
- Service lines and associated equipment are necessary to deliver service to new customers. Aging service pipes are also systematically and proactively renewed or replaced to improve system reliability, as well as to maintain safety standards, quality of service and customer satisfaction. The Fiscal Year 2018 budget for this category is \$511,103.

# GRUCom Fiscal Year 2018 Budget



Fiber Optic Network Expansion \$6,096,000 81.1%

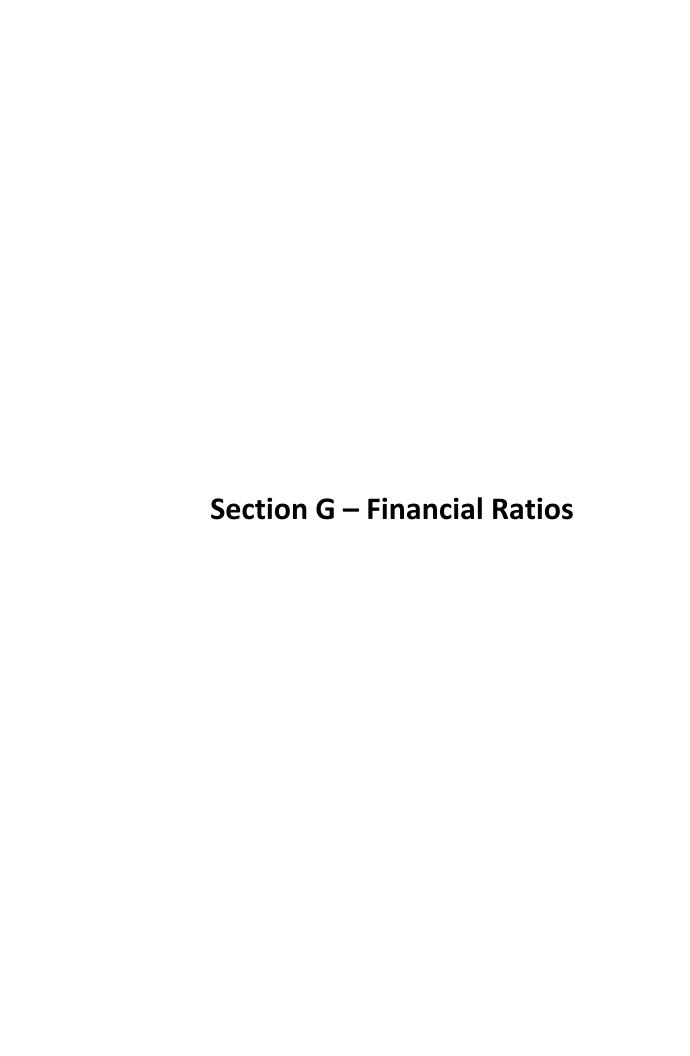
**Telecommunications Projects** 

Fiber Optic Network Expansion	\$ 6,096,000
Special Projects	797,500
Other System Projects and Allocations	620,097
Total Projects	\$ 7,513,597

#### **GRUCom System**

#### Major Projects

- GRUCom will continue to build fiber optic systems to new and/or existing tower locations and install the
  infrastructure required to support the growth in cellular carrier data transport. Funds for this initiative
  are included in the Network Expansion capital budget.
- GRUCom will continue to extend availability of residential Gigabit Internet service through expansion of the GATOR NET product line. Funds for this initiative are included in the Network Expansion capital budget.
- GRUCom is currently in negotiations with subscribers to update and expand coverage of the Trunked Radio System. Funds for this initiative are included in the Network Expansion capital budget.
- GRUCom is currently evaluating new billing software to prepare for introduction of a new product line in Fiscal Year 2018. Funds for this initiative are included in the Network Expansion capital budget.
- GRUCom plans introduction of a new competitive product line in Fiscal Year 2018. Funds for this initiative are included in the Network Expansion capital budget. GRUCom will upgrade electrical equipment to support all functions and reliability of the central office, which houses equipment to interconnect to the internet, public telephone system and other large telecommunications providers. Funds for this initiative are included in the Network Expansion capital budget.
- GRUCom will continue to invest in infrastructure within the Innovation District and other related areas throughout the community. Timing of new facilities will depend on private industry construction plans. The installation of the facilities will prepare GRUCom to provide leading-edge technology services in a timely and cost-effective manner. Funds for this project are included in the Fiscal Year 2018 Network Expansion capital budget.



## **Annual Operating Budget**

### **Financial Reserves and Ratios**

#### **Reserve Requirements**

					Original Budget Revised Budge			
	В	udget 2017	Pro	jection 2017		2018		2018
Reserve Requirements:								
Electric	\$	32,422,958	\$	32,751,661	\$	33,102,695	\$	33,957,064
Water		9,188,274		9,207,665		9,524,923		9,572,448
Wastewater		10,460,004		10,466,208		10,766,936		10,883,388
Gas		3,903,673		3,833,969		3,864,044		3,878,545
GRUCom		3,164,962		3,119,258		3,307,133		3,430,251
Total Reserve Requirements		59,139,871		59,378,761		60,565,731		61,721,696
Reserve Funded:								
Rate Stabilization Fund		61,868,040		70,678,452		55,296,573		62,346,835
Operating Cash (60 days)		8,413,557		8,413,557		8,413,557		8,413,557
Utility Plant Improvement Fund		25,594,354		30,260,606		17,810,447		23,381,159
Total Reserve Funded		95,875,951		109,352,615		81,520,577		94,141,551
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Amount Over/(Under Funded)	\$	36,736,080	\$	49,973,854	\$	20,954,846	\$	32,419,855

#### Description

Risk is the quantifiable likelihood of loss or less-than-expected returns. Risk management is the process of analyzing exposure to risk and determining how best to handle such exposure. Staff has identified the Utility's financial risk and risk mitigators and established a framework for setting reserve fund levels where other mitigators are not present.

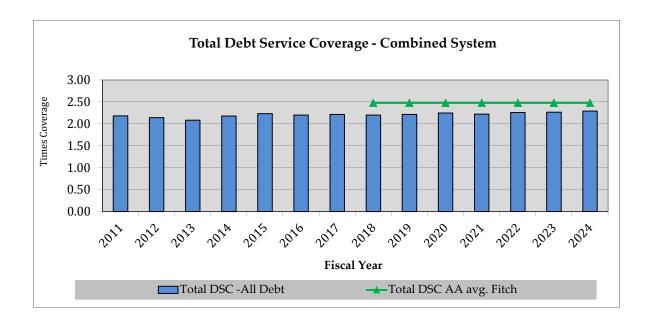
The Utility is exposed to two major categories of risk: operating cash flow and catastrophic event exposure that can result in both uninsured property loss and the need for operating cash to recover from the event when billing and revenue collection may not be possible for a period of time. A reserve fund level that is formula-driven by the primary indicators of risk is necessary as the levels of risk can vary markedly through time. There are two funds established within the Bond Resolution that can be used to provide financial reserves: the Rate Stabilization Fund and the Utility Plant Improvement Fund.

These reserve funds can provide financial insurance to allow the utility to reliably meet its financial obligations under adverse circumstances and can also serve as a means by which to mitigate required rate changes (particularly rate increases). Maintaining minimum financial reserves contributes to financial strength.

#### **Budget Highlights**

The methodology for establishing reserves funded was modified for the fiscal year 2018 budget. Prior to the fiscal year 2018 budget process, funded reserves were limited to the Rate Stabilization Fund and UPIF dollars equal to 75 percent of uninsured property exposure.

Beginning with the fiscal year 2018 budget, the following resources are included in the definition of resources available to fund reserves: Rate Stabilization Fund, Unrestricted UPIF funds (UPIF balances net of UPIF designated for debt service and construction projects), 60 days of operating cash, 60 days of authorized but unissued commercial paper.

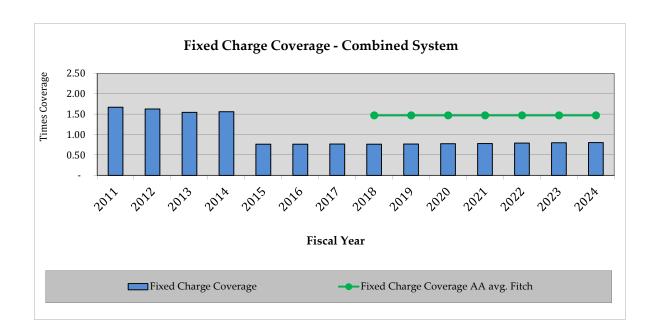


Total Debt Service Coverage: Number of times total debt service payments are covered by net revenues

Calculation: Net revenues divided by principal and interest of all debts (senior lien and subordinated)

This ratio indicates the amount of cash flow available to meet payments due for all debt. The ratings agencies refer to this ratio as an indication of financial strength and a measure of a company's ability to weather unexpected events. A ratio of less than 1 indicates that there are insufficient cash flows to cover the debt. The coverage ratio can be improved through increased revenues or a decrease in debt payments.

The Utility's Bond Resolution states 'as such Net Revenues are estimated by the City in accordance with Section 205 hereof, shall be at least equal to 1.25 times the Aggregate Debt Service for each such fiscal year, as estimiated by the City in accordance with Section 205 hereof.

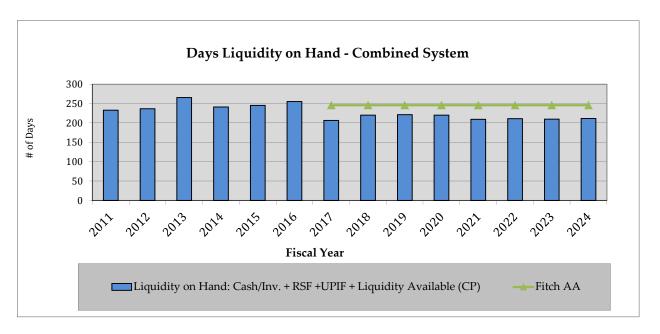


Fixed Charge Coverage: Number of times total fixed charges are covered by net revenues

**Calculation:** Net revenues less General Fund Transfer (GFT) divided by principal and interest of all debts including senior lien and subordinated as will as the fixed potion of the GREC PPA.

This traditional ratio indicates the amount of cash flow available to meet payments due for all debt after the GFT payment. Fixed charge indicates a payment other than operating expenses that is required and static. The ratings agencies refer to this ratio as an indication of a company's financial strength and general ability to weather unexpected events. A ratio of less than 1 indicates that there are insufficient cash flows to cover operating expenses, debt service and the GFT payment. This coverage ratio can be improved by increasing net revenues or decreasing fixed charges.

The drop in this metric is due to adding the fixed portion of the GREC PPA into the calculation.

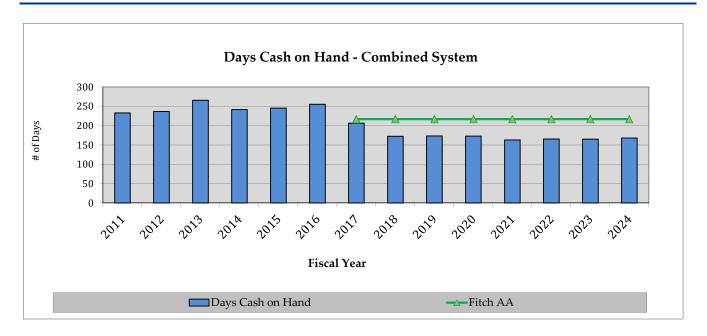


Days Liquidity on Hand: Number of operating days liquidity on hand

Calculation: Short term liquid assets divided by average daily operating expenses

This ratio is used as an indication of a company's liquidity. It shows how many days of operations can be funded from existing cash, investments and available lines of commercial paper. This ratio gives an indication of a company's flexibility and ability to respond to unexpected events. This is sometimes referred to as a company's agility.

In recent years, this metric has been at or above 200 days, which is consistent with GRU's peer ratings. Days Liquidity on Hand is projected to remain above 200 days over the planning horizon if additional commercial paper capacity is acquired.



Days Cash on Hand: Number of operating days cash on hand

Calculation: Cash and cash equivalent assets divided by average daily operating expenses

This ratio is used as an indication of a company's ability to meet current liabilities with available cash measured at fiscal year-end. It shows how many days of operations can be funded from existing cash. This ratio gives an indication of a company's flexibility and ability to respond to unexpected events. This is sometimes referred to as a company's agility.

In recent years, this metric has been near 200 days, which is consistent with GRU's peer ratings.

Projected cash balances are remaining relatively stable while O&M expenses are increasing, resulting in a slight reduction in this metric going forward.