

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Application for authority to issue securities by West Florida Natural Gas Company.) DOCKET NO. 950476-GU) ORDER NO. PSC-95-0706-FOF-GU) ISSUED: June 12, 1995)))

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

SUSAN F. CLARK, Chairman
J. TERRY DEASON
JOE GARCIA
JULIA L. JOHNSON
DIANE K. KIESLING

ORDER GRANTING AUTHORITY TO WEST FLORIDA
NATURAL GAS COMPANY TO ISSUE SECURITIES

BY THE COMMISSION:

Pursuant to Section 366.04, Florida Statutes, an application was filed on April 24, 1995, to issue long-term debt in an amount not to exceed \$1.3 million and to issue short-term debt in an amount not to exceed \$3.0 million during the 12 months ending June 30, 1996.

According to West Florida Natural Gas Company (Company), the long-term debt securities will be used to refinance existing First Mortgage Bonds at a more favorable rate. In Docket Nos. 930903-GU and 940286-GU, the Company requested authority to issue the first and second installments of Series B First Mortgage Bonds due June 30, 2003. The third installment is due to be issued on June 30, 1995. The proceeds of the bonds will be used to refinance an equal amount of existing First Mortgage Bonds, Series A. The Series B bonds will be interest only through June 30, 1996 and the interest will be paid semiannually. Interest is fixed at 7.30%.

The Company may also renew its existing revolving line of credit. The line of credit and issuance of the associated promissory notes were approved by Order No. PSC-94-0563-FOF-GU, Docket No. 940286 (May 11, 1994). This line is used to supplement cash flow during periods when disbursements exceed receipts. The existing line of credit expires on October 31, 1995, and the company anticipates it will be renewed at that time. The interest rate will float at the lender bank's prime plus .50 %. The outstanding balance will not exceed \$3.0 million at any time.

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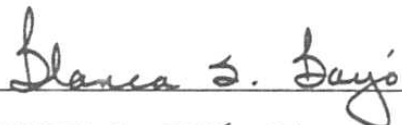
Based on the foregoing, it is, therefore,

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the application of West Florida Natural Gas Company to issue securities as described herein is granted. It is further

ORDERED that West Florida Natural Gas Company shall file a consummation report in compliance with Rule 25-8.009, Florida Administrative Code, within ninety (90) days after issuance of the securities authorized by this Order. It is further

ORDERED that the foregoing authorization is without prejudice to the authority of this Commission with respect to rates, service, accounts, valuation, estimates or determinations of costs, or any other matter whatsoever now pending or which may come before this Commission, as provided in Section 366.04, Florida Statutes.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 12th day of June, 1995.



BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Director
Division of Records and Reporting

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NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.59(4), Florida Statutes, to notify parties of any administrative hearing or judicial review of Commission orders that is available under Sections 120.57 or 120.68, Florida Statutes, as well as the procedures and time limits that apply. This notice should not be construed to mean all requests for an administrative hearing or judicial review will be granted or result in the relief sought.

Any party adversely affected by the Commission's final action in this matter may request: 1) reconsideration of the decision by filing a motion for reconsideration with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting within fifteen (15) days of the issuance of this order in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code; or 2) judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility or the First District Court of Appeal in the case of a water and/or wastewater utility by filing a notice of appeal with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting and filing a copy of the notice of appeal and the filing fee with the appropriate court. This filing must be completed within thirty (30) days after the issuance of this order, pursuant to Rule 9.110, Florida Rules of Civil Procedure. The notice of appeal must be in the form specified in Rule 9.900 (a), Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.