BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Application for transfer of water facilities to Marion County Utility, and cancellation of Certificate No. 419-W, by Residential Water System, Inc.

DOCKET NO. 150189-WU ORDER NO. PSC-15-0554-FOF-WU ISSUED: December 2, 2015

ORDER ACKNOWLEDGING TRANSFER TO GOVERNMENT AUTHORITY AND CANCELLING WATER CERTIFICATE

BY THE COMMISSION:

Residential Water System, Inc. (Residential or Utility) is a class B water utility providing service to approximately 712 customers in Marion County. On August 28, 2015, the Commission received an Application For Transfer To Governmental Authority from Residential stating the County would purchase the Utility on August 31, 2015. A copy of the contract was subsequently provided to staff. We have jurisdiction pursuant to Section 367.071, Florida Statutes (F.S.).

Pursuant to Section 367.071(4)(a), F.S., and Rule 25-30.037(4)(e), Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), the Utility provided copies of the sales agreement, income statements, balance sheet, statement of rate base for regulatory purposes, and contributions-in-aid-of-construction. In accordance with Rule 25-30.037(4)(g), F.A.C., the Utility stated it did not collect deposits from customers. Residential has paid its regulatory assessment fees for the period of January 1, 2015, to June 30, 2015, and will be required to pay regulatory assessment fees for the period of July 1, 2015, through the date of transfer. The Utility filed its 2014 Annual Report on March 2, 2015. As the Utility will no longer be under the Commission's jurisdiction, an Annual Report for 2015 will not be required.

Based on the above, we find that the application is in compliance with Sections 367.071 and 367.022(2), F.S., and Rule 25-30.037(4), F.A.C. We therefore acknowledge the transfer of the water system to Marion County as a matter of right, pursuant to Section 367.071(4)(a), F.S., and cancel Certificate No. 419-W effective August 31, 2015.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the application of Residential Water System, Inc. for transfer of the water facilities set forth herein to Marion County is hereby acknowledged, effective August 31, 2015. It is further

ORDERED that Certificate No. 419-W is hereby cancelled. It is further

ORDERED that this docket shall be closed.

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By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this 2nd day of December, 2015.

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The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.569(1), 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 Office of Commission Clerk, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, 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 Office of Commission Clerk, 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 Appellate Procedure. The notice of appeal must be in the form specified in Rule 9.900(a), Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.