

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Application of Section 367.0816, Florida Statutes, recovery of rate case expense, to Peoples Water Service Company of Florida, Inc. in Escambia County.

DOCKET NO. 20170237-WU
ORDER NO. PSC-2018-0025-FOF-WU
ISSUED: January 8, 2018

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

JULIE I. BROWN, Chairman
ART GRAHAM
RONALD A. BRISÉ
DONALD J. POLMANN
GARY F. CLARK

ORDER REQUIRING IMPLEMENTATION
OF FOUR-YEAR RATE REDUCTION

BY THE COMMISSION:

Decision

Pursuant to Order No. PSC-13-0647-PAA-WU, issued December 5, 2013, Peoples Water Service Company of Florida, Inc. (Peoples) was allowed to recover rate case expense of \$46,005 amortized over four years at \$11,501 per year. Section 367.0816, F.S., required that the rates be reduced immediately following the expiration of the four-year period by the amount of the rate case expense previously included in rates. The four-year amortization period expires on December 31, 2017. Inadvertently, the rate reduction to the respective base facility and gallonage charges was not reflected in the order. Schedule 1, attached, reflects the rate reductions that should have been reflected in the order. Peoples agrees with the rate reductions. We find that the four-year rate reduction as reflected in Schedule 1 shall be implemented in accordance with the statute.

Accordingly, Peoples shall file revised tariffs and a proposed customer notice to reflect the approved reduction in rates. The approved rates shall be effective for service rendered on or after the stamped approval date of the revised tariff sheets pursuant to Rule 25-30.475(1), F.A.C. The rates shall not be implemented until Commission staff has approved the proposed customer notice. Peoples shall provide proof of the date notice was given within 10 days of the date of the notice. If the Utility files this reduction in connection with a price index or pass-through rate adjustment, separate data shall be filed for the price index and/or pass-through increase or decrease, and for the reduction in the rates due to the amortized rate case expense.

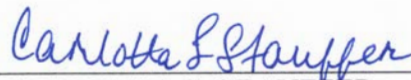
Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the four-year rate reduction shall be implemented by Peoples Water Service Company of Florida, Inc., as set forth herein. It is further

ORDERED that the utility shall file revised tariffs and a proposed customer notice to reflect the approved reduction in rates. The approved rates shall be effective for service rendered on or after the stamped approval date of the revised tariff sheets pursuant to Rule 25-30.475(1), F.A.C. The rates shall not be implemented until Commission staff has approved the proposed customer notice. The utility shall provide proof of the date notice was given within 10 days of the date of the notice. If the utility files this reduction in connection with a price index or pass-through rate adjustment, separate data shall be filed for the price index and/or pass-through increase or decrease, and for the reduction in the rates due to the amortized rate case expense. It is further

ORDERED that this docket shall remain open for Commission staff's verification that the revised tariff sheets and customer notice have been filed by the utility and approved by staff. Once these actions are complete, this docket shall be closed administratively.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this 8th day of January, 2018.



CARLOTTA S. STAUFFER

Commission Clerk

Florida Public Service Commission

2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard

Tallahassee, Florida 32399

(850) 413-6770

www.floridapsc.com

Copies furnished: A copy of this document is provided to the parties of record at the time of issuance and, if applicable, interested persons.

JSC

NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

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.

SCHEDULE 1

<u>Residential and General Service</u>	<u>Four Year Rate Reduction</u>
Base Facility Charges by Meter Size	
5/8" x 3/4"	\$0.03
1"	\$0.08
1 1/4"	\$0.12
1 1/2"	\$0.15
2"	\$0.24
3"	\$0.48
4"	\$0.75
6"	\$1.50
8"	\$2.40
10"	\$4.35
Charge per 1,000 gallons- Residential	
0 - 3,000 Gallons	\$0.01
3,001-6,000 Gallons	\$0.02
6,001-12,000 Gallons	\$0.02
Over 12,000 Gallons	\$0.03
Charge per 1,000 gallons- General Service	\$0.01
<u>Multi-Family - per unit</u>	
Base Facility Charge - All Meter Sizes	\$0.03
Charge Per 1,000 gallons	\$0.01
<u>Private Fire Protection</u>	
2"	\$0.02
3"	\$0.04
4"	\$0.06
6"	\$0.13
8"	\$0.20
10"	\$0.36