



Public Service Commission

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DATE: July 16, 1997
TO: Division of Records and Reporting
 Division of Legal Services, Alice Crosby
FROM: Division of Water & Wastewater, J. Travis Coker *JTC BSM*
RE: Docket No. ~~970741~~-WU; Application for transfer of Blanton Lake Utilities to Pasco County and cancellation of Certificate No. 328-W in Pasco County.

On June 19, 1997, this Commission received an application from Pasco County on behalf of Blanton Lake Utilities for transfer of facilities to Pasco County and cancellation of Certificate No. 328-W in Pasco County pursuant to Section 367.071(4)(a), Florida Statutes, (F.S.) and Rule 25-30.037, Florida Administrative Code, (F.A.C.). Pasco County has operated the utility since it was abandoned by Mr. Stephen J. Matala. The abandonment of the utility system as recognized by this Commission in Order No. PSC-94-0919-FOF-WU arising from Docket No. 940627-WU. The appointment of Pasco County as temporary receiver was recognized by this Commission in Order No. PSC-94-1235-FOF-WU also from the same docket. As stated within the court order, the transfer occurred on June 30, 1997. Pursuant to Section 367.022 F.S., Pasco County is exempt from the Commission's regulation.

The application was filed in accordance with Section 367.071(4), F.S., and Rule 25-30.037, F.A.C. In addition, the county has obtained from the utility the most recent available income and expense statement, balance sheet, statement of rate base for regulatory purposes and CIAC.

According to the application made by the county, customer deposits were not required or accepted by the utility. Therefore, no refunds or transfers are outstanding. However, the utility is not current with regulatory assessment fees and annual reports. Blanton Lake is past due for an annual report for 1992 and 1993 and the appropriate regulatory assessment fees. However, the utility, under Pasco County management, is current for annual reports and regulatory assessment fees since 1994. The matter of delinquent reports and fees will be dealt with in another docket.

Staff recommends that an administrative order be issued as soon as possible transferring the facilities of Blanton Lake Utilities to Pasco County, the cancellation of Water Certificate No. 328-W in Pasco County. Furthermore, staff recommends that this docket be closed.

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