

In re: Application for name change on Certificate No. 465-S in Lake County from Lake Groves Utilities, Inc. to Lake Utility Services, Inc., holder of Certificate No. 496-W, pursuant to merger of Lake Groves with Lake Utility, and request for cancellation of Certificate No. 534-W held by Lake Groves.

DOCKET NO. 020695-WS
ORDER NO. PSC-02-1658-FOF-WS
ISSUED: November 26, 2002

ORDER ACKNOWLEDGING CORPORATE MERGER OF LAKE GROVES
UTILITIES, INC. AND LAKE UTILITY SERVICES, INC.,
APPROVING NAME CHANGE, AND CLOSING DOCKET

BY THE COMMISSION:

On July 11, 2002, Lake Groves Utilities, Inc. (Lake Groves and utility) filed an application requesting approval of a change in its name and acknowledgment of the corporate merger of Lake Groves with Lake Utility Services, Inc. (LUSI). Lake Groves holds Certificates Nos. 534-W and 465-S and LUSI holds Certificate No. 496-W. As a result of the merger, Certificate No. 534-W will be cancelled. Certificate No. 465-S will be amended to reflect the merger of Lake Groves into LUSI, and Certificate No. 496-W will be amended to include Lake Groves' service area.

The application was filed pursuant to Section 367.1214, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-30.039, Florida Administrative Code, which provide for changes in name only, with no change in ownership or control of the utility or its assets. According to information provided with the application, ownership and control of the utility and its assets will not change under the proposed name change and merger. Both before and after the name change and merger, the utility will be owned and controlled by Utilities, Inc. No money was paid by or to any of the parties as a result of the merger. The offices, management, and all personnel of the utility remain unchanged.

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The merger was approved by the shareholders on June 7, 2002, and the effective date is June 24, 2002. Subsequent to the merger, Lake Groves became an inactive corporation. According to the Division of Corporations, Department of State, the owner and registered agent for the surviving corporation, LUSI, is Utilities, Inc.

Included with the application was a copy of the proposed notice to be sent to the utility's customers informing them of the change in the utility's name. Also included was a copy of the proposed water tariffs reflecting the change in the utility's name. There were no substantive changes to the tariff other than the name change.

Therefore, we find it appropriate to approve the name change of the utility and acknowledge the corporate merger of Lake Groves with LUSI. Certificate No. 534-W, held by Lake Groves, is hereby cancelled. Certificate No. 465-S, held by Lake Groves, is hereby amended to reflect the new name of the utility. Certificate No. 496-W, held by LUSI, is hereby amended to include the territory Lake Groves is authorized to serve. In addition, the notice of the name change that was provided with the application shall be sent to the utility's customers with the next regular billing. Further, the tariff reflecting the new name of the utility shall be effective for service rendered or connections made on or after the stamped approval date on the tariff sheets.

It is therefore,

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the name change and merger of Lake Groves Utilities, Inc., 200 Weathers field Avenue, Altamonte Springs, Florida 32714, with Lake Utility Services, Inc., are hereby acknowledged. It is further

ORDERED that Certificate No. 534-W, held by Lakes Groves Utilities, Inc., is hereby cancelled. It is further

ORDERED that Certificate No. 465-S, held by Lake Groves Utilities, Inc. is hereby amended to reflect the new name of the utility. It is further

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ORDERED that Certificate No. 496-W, held by Lake Utilities Services, Inc. is hereby amended to include the territory Lake Groves Utilities, Inc. is authorized to serve. It is further

ORDERED that Lake Utilities Services, Inc. shall send the notice of the name change to the utility's customers with the next regular billing. It is further

ORDERED that Lake Utilities Services, Inc. shall continue to charge the rates and charges approved in Lake Groves Utilities, Inc.'s tariff until authorized to change by this Commission in a subsequent proceeding. It is further

ORDERED that the tariff reflecting the merger and name change shall be effective for service rendered or connections made on or after the stamped approval date on the tariff sheets. It is further

ORDERED that this docket is hereby closed.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this 26th day of November, 2002.

BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Director
Division of the Commission Clerk
and Administrative Services

By: Kay Flynn
Kay Flynn, Chief
Bureau of Records and Hearing
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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 Director, Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services, 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 Director, Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services 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.