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January 23, 2007

Docket No. 070005-WS – Annual reestablishment of price increase or decrease index of major categories of operating costs incurred by water and wastewater utilities pursuant to Section 367.081(4)(a), F.S.

<u>Issue 1</u>: Which index should be used to determine price level adjustments?

Recommendation: The Gross Domestic Product Implicit Price Deflator Index is recommended for use in calculating price level adjustments. Staff recommends calculating the 2007 price index by using a fiscal year, four quarter comparison of the Implicit Price Deflator Index ending with the third quarter 2006.

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<u>Issue 2</u>: What percentage should be used by water and wastewater utilities for the 2007 Price Index? <u>Recommendation</u>: The 2007 Price Index for water and wastewater utilities should be 3.09%.

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COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: All Commissioners

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Issue 3: How should the utilities be informed of the indexing requirements?

Recommendation: Pursuant to Rule 25-30.420(1), Florida Administrative Code, the Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services, after the expiration of the Proposed Agency Action (PAA) protest period, should mail each regulated water and wastewater utility a copy of the PAA order establishing the index containing the information presented in Form PSC/WAW 15 (4/99) and Appendix A (Attachment 1 of staff's January 10, 2007, memorandum). A cover letter from the Director of the Division of Economic Regulation should be included with the mailing of the order (Attachment 2 of staff's January 10, 2007, memorandum). If a protest is filed and a hearing is held, the Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services should mail each regulated water and wastewater utility a copy of the final order establishing the index which should contain the information presented in Form PSC/WAW 15 (4/99) and Appendix A (Attachment 1). A cover letter from the Director of the Division of Economic Regulation should be included with the mailing of the order (Attachment 2).

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Issue 4: Should this docket be closed?

Recommendation: Yes. This docket should be closed upon the issuance of the Consummating Order if no substantially affected person files a timely protest within the 14-day protest period after issuance of the PAA Order. Any party filing a protest should be required to prefile testimony with the protest.

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