

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

IN RE: Application for original water  
and wastewater Certificates in Lake and Sumter  
Counties by Gibson Place Utility Company, LLC

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DOCKET NO.: 20200185-WS

GIBSON PLACE UTILITY COMPANY, LLC'S  
MOTION TO BIFURCATE AND FOR TEMPORARY RULE WAIVER

Gibson Place Utility Company, LLC (“GPU”), by and through its undersigned attorneys and pursuant to Section 120.542, Florida Statutes, moves this Commission to bifurcate the certificate and ratemaking proceedings which includes a temporary waiver of certain Rule requirements, and in support thereof states:

1. Since GPU does not expect to begin to serve customers until November 2021, it requests that the certification and rate setting processes be bifurcated so that the Certificates can be issued within 90 days as required by Section 367.031, Florida Statutes, and the GPU may proceed with permitting. This bifurcation procedure was approved by the Commission in several similar situation in *In re: Application for original certificate to operate water and wastewater utility in Sumter County by North Sumter Utility Company, L.L.C., Order No. PSC-2002-0179-FOF-WS (February 11, 2002)*, in *In re: Application for certificates to provide water and wastewater service in Sumter County by Central Sumter Utility Company, L.L.C., Order No. PSC-2005-0844-PAA-WS (August 18, 2005)*, and in *In re: Application for original water and wastewater certificates in Sumter County by South Sumter Utility Company, LLC, Order No. PSC-2017-0059-PAA-WS (February 24, 2017)*. To effectuate the bifurcation request GPU is requesting a temporary rule waiver.

2. In order to accomplish the bifurcation, GPU requests a temporary waiver from the requirements of the following Administrative Code Rules:

25-30.033(1)(p) – Support for rates and charges

25-30.033(1)(q) – Tariffs

3. GPU anticipates filing the information required to set initial rates and charges as required by the foregoing Rules in the first quarter of 2021, which will allow for sufficient time for Commission action prior to the anticipated date for commencing service.

4. The Commission has previously granted temporary Rule waivers under identical circumstances in the Orders referenced in paragraph 1 above.

WHEREFORE, Gibson Place Utility Company, LLC, requests that this Commission enter an Order bifurcating the ratemaking from the certificate proceeding and temporarily waiving the requirements of Rules 25-30.033(1)(p) and (q), Florida Administrative Code.

Respectfully submitted this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of July,  
2020, by:

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