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**Subject:** FW: Request for Approval to Make an Oral Modification - Item #7 - December 5, 2023 Agenda Conference - Docket No. 20230083-WS

Good Morning,

Please see the approval for the Oral Modification on Item #7 on the December 5, 2023, Agenda Conference – for docket no. 20230083-WS, below.

Thanks

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Approved. Thanks.

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**Subject:** Request for Approval to Make an Oral Modification – Item #7 – December 5, 2023 Agenda Conference – Docket No. 20230083-WS

Staff requests approval to make an oral modification to staff’s recommendation in Docket No. 20230083-WS - Application for increase in water and wastewater rates in Orange County by Pluris Wedgefield, LLC., currently scheduled for the December 5, 2023 Agenda Conference.

Subsequent to filing its recommendation, staff became aware of a scrivener’s error in the Case Background and in staff’s adjustment to remove the Utility’s requested interim increase in Issue 2. Additionally, the Utility’s non used & useful (U&U) adjustment to its wastewater rate base was updated to reflect the schedules revised in its deficiency response. As a result, modifications to staff’s recommendation are necessary to the Case Background, Issue 2, and Schedule Nos. 1-B, 1-C, and 3-B.

The modifications requested by staff do not change the recommended interim revenue requirement for Pluris. The text below reflects the type and strike changes to the staff recommendation. With these changes, there are no other impacts to staff’s recommendation or calculations.

**Case Background, Page 2, Paragraph 3**

The Utility requested interim rates designed to generate revenues of \$2,370,815 for water and ~~\$1,593,586~~ ~~\$1,608,064~~ for wastewater.

**Issue 2, Page 5, Used & Useful**

In its filing, the Utility did not calculate any U&U adjustments to the water treatment plant, water storage, water distribution and wastewater collection, and calculated a ~~94.35~~ ~~87.3~~ percent U&U for the wastewater treatment plant.

Pluris made a net non-U&U adjustment to the wastewater system of ~~\$8,648~~ ~~\$19,387~~ to reduce plant in service and to recognize its calculation of U&U for the wastewater treatment plant. Staff recommends the non-U&U adjustment to the wastewater system be increased by ~~\$88,071~~ ~~\$77,332~~ to further reduce plant in service

**Issue 2, Page 6, Interim Net Operating income**

To calculate the appropriate amount of interim test year operating revenues, staff removed the Utility’s requested interim revenue increase of ~~\$743,196~~ ~~\$718,997~~ from water and ~~\$541,637~~ ~~\$513,161~~ from wastewater.

**Schedule No. 1-B, Page 12**

Pluris Wedgefield, LLC. Schedule of Wastewater Rate Base Test Year Ended 12/31/22			Schedule No. 1-B Docket No. 20230083-WS		
Description	Test Year Per Utility	Utility Adjust- ments	Adjusted Test Year Per Utility	Staff Adjust- ments	Staff Adjusted Test Year
1 Plant in Service	\$9,152,109	\$0	\$9,152,109	\$0	\$9,152,109
2 Land and Land Rights	97,402	0	97,402	0	97,402
3 Non-used and Useful Components	0	(8,648) (19,387)	(8,648) (19,387)	(88,071) (77,332)	(96,719)

4	Accumulated Depreciation	(7,119,861)	0	(7,119,861)	0	(7,119,861)
5	CIAC	(4,344,556)	0	(4,344,556)	0	(4,344,556)
6	Amortization of CIAC	3,154,198	0	3,154,198	0	3,154,198
7	Working Capital Allowance	<u>(3,018,344)</u>	<u>3,405,286</u>	<u>386,942</u>	<u>(31,142)</u>	<u>355,800</u>
8	<b>Rate Base</b>	<u>(\$2,079,052)</u>	<u>\$3,396,638</u>	<u>\$1,317,586</u>	<u>(\$119,213)</u>	<u>\$1,198,373</u>
			<u>\$3,385,899</u>	<u>\$1,306,847</u>	<u>(\$108,474)</u>	

Schedule No. 1-C, Page 13

Pluris Wedgefield, LLC. Adjustments to Rate Base Test Year Ended 12/31/22		Schedule No. 1-C Docket No. 20230083-WS	
Explanation	Water	Wastewater	
<b>Non-used and Useful</b>			
To reflect net non-used and useful adjustment.	<u>(\$39,751)</u>	<u>(\$88,071)</u> <u>(\$77,332)</u>	
<b>Working Capital</b>			
To reflect corresponding O&M adjustment	<u>\$31,143</u>	<u>(\$31,412)</u>	

Schedule No. 3-B, Page 16

Pluris Wedgefield, LLC. Statement of Wastewater Operations Test Year Ended 12/31/22													Schedule No. 3-B Docket No. 20230083-WS U	
Description	Year	Test Per	Utility	Utility	Adjust-ments	Adjusted Year	Test Per Utility	Staff	Adjust-ments	Staff	Adjusted Year	Test	Revenue Increase	Revenue Requirement
1 <b>Operating Revenues:</b>			<u>\$1,051,949</u>		<u>\$541,637</u>	<u>\$1,593,586</u>		<u>(\$536,659)</u>		<u>\$1,056,927</u>			<u>\$244,186</u> 23.10%	<u>\$1,301,113</u>
<b>Operating Expenses</b>														
2 Operation & Maintenance			\$924,958		\$237,010	\$1,161,968		(\$237,010)		\$924,958				\$924,958
3 Depreciation			129,820		(845)	128,975		(7,707)		121,268				121,268
4 Amortization			0		0	0		0		0				0
5 Taxes Other Than Income			141,804		24,374	166,178		(28,097)		138,081			10,988	149,069
6 Income Taxes			0		29,478	29,478		(29,478)		0			0	0
7 <b>Total Operating Expense</b>			<u>1,196,582</u>		<u>290,017</u>	<u>1,486,599</u>		<u>(302,292)</u>		<u>1,184,307</u>			<u>10,988</u>	<u>1,195,295</u>
8 <b>Operating Income</b>			<u>(\$144,633)</u>		<u>\$251,620</u>	<u>\$106,987</u>		<u>(\$234,367)</u>		<u>(\$127,380)</u>			<u>\$233,198</u>	<u>\$105,818</u>
9 <b>Rate Base</b>			<u>(\$2,079,052)</u>			<u>\$1,317,586</u>		<u>\$1,306,847</u>		<u>\$1,198,373</u>				<u>\$1,198,373</u>
10 <b>Rate of Return</b>			<u>(6.96%)</u>			<u>8.12%</u>		<u>8.19%</u>		<u>(10.63%)</u>				<u>8.83%</u>

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