

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Resolution of the Board  
of County Commissioners of  
Manatee County declaring Manatee  
County subject to the provisions  
of Chapter 367, Florida Statutes  
- Request for exemption from  
Florida Public Service  
Commission regulation for  
provision of water service by  
Saffold Farm Trailer Park.

DOCKET NO. 951235-WS  
ORDER NO. PSC-98-0648-FOF-WS  
ISSUED: May 7, 1998

ORDER INDICATING EXEMPT STATUS OF  
SAFFOLD FARM TRAILER PARK

BY THE COMMISSION:

On December 4, 1995, Saffold Farm #2 filed an application with this Commission for recognition of its exempt status pursuant to Section 367.022(5), Florida Statutes. After reviewing the application, it was determined that the correct name of the entity is Saffold Farm Trailer Park (Saffold). Saffold is located at Saffold Road and Packinghouse Road, Wimauma, Florida. Mr. William E. Saffold, Owner, filed the application on behalf of Saffold. The primary contact person is Bob Bowling.

Upon request and sufficient proof, the Commission will issue an order indicating the nonjurisdictional or exempt status of water and wastewater facilities, if they qualify under the appropriate provision of Chapter 367, Florida Statutes. The application was filed in accordance with Section 367.022(5), Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-30.060(3)(e), Florida Administrative Code.

Section 367.022(5), Florida Statutes, states that an entity qualifies for exemption from Commission regulation if it provides service solely to its tenants, and there are no specific charges for the utility service. The application indicates that Saffold provides water service only to tenants of the mobile home park located at Saffold Road and Packinghouse Road, Wimauma, Florida. Mobile homes and lots are rented on a weekly/monthly basis and no lease is signed by the tenants. According to the information provided, the water service is included as a nonspecific portion of the weekly/monthly rent. Wastewater service is provided by septic tanks.

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In addition, pursuant to Section 837.06, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-30.060(2)(f), Florida Administrative Code, anyone knowingly making a false statement in writing with the intent to mislead is guilty of a misdemeanor. By signing the application, Mr. Saffold acknowledged that he is aware of Section 837.06, Florida Statutes, and the penalties for making false statements in the application.

Based on the facts as represented, we find that Saffold is exempt from our regulation pursuant to Section 367.022(5), Florida Statutes. However, the owner of Saffold or any successors in interest are put on notice that if there is any change in circumstance or method of operation which causes it to no longer qualify for exemption pursuant to Section 367.022, Florida Statutes, it should inform the Commission within 30 days of such change so that its status may be reevaluated.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that, based upon the facts as represented, Saffold Farm Trailer Park, Post Office Box 12, Wimauma, Florida 33598, is exempt from Commission regulation, pursuant to the provisions of Section 367.022(5), Florida Statutes. It is further

ORDERED that this Docket shall remain open to process additional application.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this 7th day of May, 1998.



BLANCA S. BAYO, Director  
Division of Records and Reporting

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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 Records and Reporting, 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 Records and Reporting 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.