

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Request for approval of
tariff filing to modify service
availability policy for
Stonecrest (Steeplechase) by
Florida Water Services
Corporation in Marion County.

DOCKET NO. 020485-WS
ORDER NO. PSC-02-1024-TRF-WS
ISSUED: July 29, 2002

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of
this matter:

LILA A. JABER, Chairman
J. TERRY DEASON
BRAULIO L. BAEZ
MICHAEL A. PALECKI
RUDOLPH "RUDY" BRADLEY

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF MODIFICATION

BY THE COMMISSION:

Steeplechase Utility Company, Inc. ("Steeplechase" or
"utility") is located within the St. Johns River Water Management
District ("SJRWMD") serving approximately 897 water customers and
636 wastewater customers in Marion County. The utility was granted
Water Certificate No. 515-W and Wastewater Certificate No. 447-S by
Order No. 21063, issued April 18, 1989, in Docket No. 890145-WS.
Steeplechase's service territory was amended to include additional
territory pursuant to Order No. PSC-97-1508-FOF-WS, issued November
26, 1997, in Docket No. 970897-WS. The utility's 2000 annual
report indicates revenues of \$212,889 and \$120,597 and net
operating losses of \$29,239 and \$96,135 for water and wastewater,
respectively.

By Order No. PSC-02-0485-PAA-WS, issued on April 8, 2002, in
Docket No. 010119-WS, we approved the transfer of facilities of
Steeplechase Utility Company, Inc., to Florida Water Services
Corporation ("FWSC"). As part of the transfer to FWSC, we approved
the existing water and wastewater Services Availability Policies
for Steeplechase.

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FWSC now requests a tariff revision to delete the concluding paragraph from both the water and wastewater Service Availability Policies, namely, the statement that reads, "The Utility will install all plant and lines receiving no property contributions." We have jurisdiction to consider this matter pursuant to Section 367.101, Florida Statutes.

Rule 25-30.585, Florida Administrative Code, states:

Service availability charges for real estate developments shall not be less than the cost of installing the water transmission and distribution facilities and sewage collection system and not more than the developer's hydraulic share of the total cost of the utility's facilities and the cost of installing the water transmission and distribution facilities and sewage collection system.

To eliminate the contradiction between the Service Availability Policies in FWSC's existing tariff and the requirements of Rule 25-30.585, we approve FWSC's request to modify the Service Availability Policy for Stonecrest (Steeplechase) in Marion County by deleting the sentence from that policy which reads: "The utility will install all plant and lines receiving no property contributions." Accordingly, the utility's revised tariff sheets filed June 3, 2002, are approved as filed. The revised tariff shall become effective on or after the stamped approval date in accordance with Rule 25-30.475(2), Florida Administrative Code.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that Florida Water Services Corporations's request to modify the Service Availability Policy for Stonecrest in Marion County is granted as set forth in the body of this Order. It is further

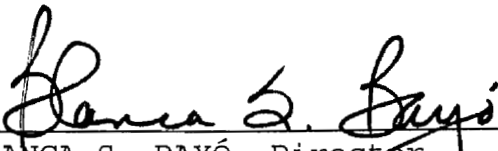
ORDERED that the modified tariff shall become effective on or after the stamped approval date in accordance with Rule 25-30.475(2), Florida Administrative Code. It is further

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ORDERED that if a protest is filed within 21 days of issuance of the Order, the tariff shall remain in effect with any charges held subject to refund pending resolution of the protest. It is further

ORDERED that if no timely protest is filed, this docket shall be closed upon the issuance of a Consummating Order.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this 29th day of July, 2002.



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

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NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS

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.

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Mediation may be available on a case-by-case basis. If mediation is conducted, it does not affect a substantially interested person's right to a hearing.

The Commission's decision on this tariff is interim in nature and will become final, unless a person whose substantial interests are affected by the proposed action files a petition for a formal proceeding, in the form provided by Rule 28-106.201, Florida Administrative Code. This petition must be received by the Director, Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, by the close of business on August 19, 2002.

In the absence of such a petition, this Order shall become final and effective upon the issuance of a Consummating Order.

Any objection or protest filed in this docket before the issuance date of this order is considered abandoned unless it satisfies the foregoing conditions and is renewed within the specified protest period.