

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Request for approval of
revisions to water tariff
regarding individual metering of
multi-family and multi-unit
structures by Florida Water
Services Corporation.

DOCKET NO. 020761-WU
ORDER NO. PSC-02-1301-PCO-WU
ISSUED: September 23, 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 SUSPENDING TARIFF

BY THE COMMISSION:

Florida Water Services Corporation is a Class A utility which
provides water and wastewater service throughout Florida. In 1996,
Florida Water implemented a policy mandating individual meters for
all multi-residential housing. The practice was adopted as a water
conservation measure and was implemented throughout all of its
service areas in Florida.

On July 16, 2002, Florida Water filed proposed revisions to
its tariff to codify its longstanding individual metering policy.
Florida Water requested that, with respect to new construction, we
approve the revisions to the tariffs to recognize the environmental
and conservation policies that mandate individual metering of
multi-family and multi-unit structures. This Order addresses the
suspension of the utility's proposed tariff sheets. We have
jurisdiction pursuant to Section 367.091, Florida Statutes.

Pursuant to Section 367.091(6), Florida Statutes, the tariff
sheets proposed by the utility will become effective within 60 days
after filing, unless we vote to withhold consent of the request.

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We have reviewed the filing and have considered the utility's proposed tariff to codify its longstanding individual metering policy and information filed in support of the application. We believe further inquiry is warranted. For this reason, we find that the proposed tariff shall be suspended to allow for further investigation. This docket shall remain open pending the completion of the investigation.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the proposed tariff revisions filed by Florida Water Services Corporation shall be suspended pending further investigation. It is further

ORDERED that this docket shall remain open pending completion of the investigation.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this 23rd day of September, 2002.

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

By: Kay Flynn
Kay Flynn, Chief
Bureau of Records and Hearing
Services

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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.

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.

Any party adversely affected by this order, which is preliminary, procedural or intermediate in nature, may request: (1) reconsideration within 10 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.0376, Florida Administrative Code, if issued by a Prehearing Officer; (2) reconsideration within 15 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code, if issued by the Commission; or (3) 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 or wastewater utility. A motion for reconsideration shall be filed with the Director, Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services, in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code. Judicial review of a preliminary, procedural or intermediate ruling or order is available if review of the final action will not provide an adequate remedy. Such review may be requested from the appropriate court, as described above, pursuant to Rule 9.100, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.