BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In re: Investigation into the effect) of 1986 Federal Tax Reform for 1988.)

DOCKET NO. 871206-PU

In re: Investigation into the imposition of a penalty for failure to comply with the provisions of Rule 25-14.003(4), F. A. C.

DOCKET NO. 890430-PU ORDER NO. 21194 ISSUED: 5-8-89

CONSOLIDATED WATER WORKS, INC.

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

THOMAS M. BEARD BETTY EASLEY GERALD L. GUNTER JOHN T. HERNDON

ORDER EXCUSING LATE FILING OF RULE 25-14.003(4), F.A.C., TAX REPORT

BY THE COMMISSION:

Rule 25-14.003(4), Florida Administrative Code, provides that on or before March 1st of every year following a tax rate change, each utility shall furnish a final tax report. By Order No. 20852, issued March 3, 1989, we gave Commission staff authority to administratively grant a sixty-day extension of the filing deadline upon written request received no later than the March 1 filing date.

Consolidated Water Works, Inc. (Consolidated) claims that it had unusual personnel problems that prevented it from timely filing its tax report. Criminal allegations have been leveled at a former employee who normally was involved in Consolidated's report filings. Consolidated has since filed its tax report on March 23, 1989.

In light of Consolidated's unusual circumstances, we will not penalize it for filing its tax report late.

It is therefore,

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that Consolidated Water Works, Inc. be deemed to have complied with Rule 25-14.003(4), Florida Administrative Code.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this <u>8th</u> day of <u>May</u>, <u>1989</u>.

> STEVE TRIBBLE, Director Division of Records and Reporting

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