

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Application for Approval of New)	DOCKET NO. 900171-GU
Tariff Rate Schedule "SL" For)	ORDER NO. 22914
Commercial Street Lighting By Palm)	ISSUED: 5-9-90
Beach County Utilities Corporation.)	
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The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

MICHAEL McK. WILSON, Chairman
 THOMAS M. BEARD
 BETTY EASLEY
 GERALD L. GUNTER
 JOHN T. HERNDON

NOTICE OF PROPOSED AGENCY ACTION
ORDER APPROVING RATE SCHEDULE

BY THE COMMISSION:

NOTICE is hereby given by the Florida Public Service Commission that the action discussed herein is preliminary in nature and will become final unless a person whose interests are adversely affected files a petition for a formal proceeding, pursuant to Rule 25-22.029, Florida Administrative Code.

On March 6, 1990, Palm Beach County Utilities Corporation filed an application for approval of new Tariff Rate Schedule "SL" for commercial street lighting.

As indicated by Palm Beach County Utilities Corporation's application, every project or development that utilizes natural gas street lighting will have one gas light metered. The Company will bill each project based on the meter reading times the number of lights in that particular project, plus a \$10.00 customer charge one time per month per project or development.

Until the Company has experienced actual data dealing with natural gas street lighting, the development of the SL rate represents the Company's best guess, as shown in Attachment A.

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For lighting, electricity is more efficient than gas. In the past provisions of PURPA recognized this and, in fact, outlawed gas lighting. Those portions of PURPA have been done away with. This tariff recognizes that some customers now want the choice of gas lighting for aesthetic reasons. In approving this tariff, we are recommending that customers should use gas lighting or inferring that outdoor lighting is an efficient use of gas. We approve the tariff so that ratepayers may have the service they want. Market forces should then drive customers' decisions.

Accordingly, we approve Palm Beach County Utilities Corporation's "SL" Rate Schedule until such time as the Company's next rate case, when a commercial street lighting rate will be developed based on actual cost to serve.

In consideration of the foregoing it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that Palm Beach County Utilities Corporation's "SL" Rate Schedule is hereby approved.

By Order of the Florida Public Service Commission
 this 9th day of MAY, 1990.


 STEVE TRIBBLE, 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 120.59(4), 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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The action proposed herein is preliminary in nature and will not become effective or final, except as provided by Rule 25-22.029, Florida Administrative Code. Any person whose substantial interests are affected by the action proposed by this order may file a petition for a formal proceeding, as provided by Rule 25-22.029(4), Florida Administrative Code, in the form provided by Rule 25-22.036(7)(a) and (f), Florida Administrative Code. This petition must be received by the Director, Division of Records and Reporting at his office at 101 East Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0870, by the close of business on May 30, 1990.

In the absence of such a petition, this order shall become effective on the day subsequent to the above date as provided by Rule 25-22.029(6), Florida Administrative Code, and as reflected in a subsequent 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.

If this order becomes final and effective on the date described above, any party adversely affected may request judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility or by the First District Court of Appeal in the case of a water or sewer 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 of the effective date 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.

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ATTACHMENT A

Utility Investment in Natural Gas Street Lamps

Materials	1/2" Plastic Pipe 10 ft.	\$ 1.60
	1/2" Transition Fitting	\$19.12
	3/8" x 1/4" Regulator	\$13.84
	2" x 1/2" Service Tap	\$24.48
	# 12 Wire	\$ 1.20
	1/4" Copper Tubing 12 ft.	\$ 4.46
	1/4" Flare Nuts 2	\$ 1.44
	1/4" Male x 1/4" Flare Adpt.	\$ 1.26
Labor:	2 Men, 2 1/2 Hours Each @ \$9.00/Hr.	\$45.00
Overhead:	Health Insurance :	
	\$245.00/Man/Month = 1.53/Hour	\$ 7.65
	Workman's Compensation:	
	\$.16/Man/Hour	\$ 0.80
	Transportation Expenses:	
	(Inclusive of gas and oil, insurance, depreciation, and other trans. expenses)	\$ 2.19
	TOTAL:	\$123.14

Annual Return on Investment:
 $\$123.14 \times 12.46\%$ Rate of Return = \$15.34

Proposed Monthly Non-Fuel Charge Per Light:
 $\$15.34 / 12$ Months = \$ 1.28

SCENARIO WITH GAS LIGHT DIMMER

Metered Therms (1 Light)	Fuel Charge (1)	Non-fuel Charge (2)	Customer Charge (3)	Total Bill 1 Lamp	Total Bill 10 Lamps
20	\$5.80	\$1.28	\$10.00	\$17.08	\$80.80
22	\$6.38	\$1.28	\$10.00	\$17.66	\$86.60
24	\$6.96	\$1.28	\$10.00	\$18.24	\$92.40

- (1) Assumption of gas cost at \$0.29 per therm.
- (2) Proposed Non-fuel charge at flat rate \$1.28/Month.
- (3) Proposed Customer Charge for customer account.

SCENARIO WITHOUT GAS LIGHT DIMMER

Metered Therms (1 Light)	Fuel Charge (1)	Non-fuel Charge (2)	Customer Charge (3)	Total Bill 1 Lamp	Total Bill 10 Lamps
30	\$8.70	\$1.28	\$10.00	\$19.98	\$109.80
32	\$9.28	\$1.28	\$10.00	\$20.56	\$115.60
34	\$9.86	\$1.28	\$10.00	\$21.14	\$121.40

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PALM BEACH COUNTY
 UTILITIES CORPORATION
 GAS TARIFF

ORIGINAL SHEET NO. 32.0

COMMERCIAL STREET LIGHTING SERVICE

RATE SCHEDULE SL

AVAILABILITY - Available throughout the area served by the Company.

APPLICABILITY - To any customer, developer or builder desirous of commercial gas street lighting.

LIMITATIONS - Subject to all of the rules and regulations of this tariff and general rules and regulations of the Commission.

MONTHLY RATES -

<u>Consumption (Therms)</u>	<u>Rates</u>
Customer Charge -- Devoid of consumption	\$10.00
Energy Charge:	
Non-fuel (Flat Rate)	\$ 1.28
Minimum Bill (customer charge)	\$10.00

ADJUSTMENTS (PGA) - Please see ORIGINAL SHEET NO. 27.0

TERMS OF PAYMENT - Bills are due when rendered. If not paid within 20 days (from date of mailing or delivery by Company), service will be discontinued upon five (5) days written notice. Service can be redeemed only upon payment of all past due bills and connection charges per tariff.

Issue Date:

John H. Hickman, III
 President

Effective Date: