## VOTE SHEET

DATE: October 29, 1996

RE: DOCKET NO. 1888-WB - Disposition of gross-up funds collected by Hydratech Utilities, Inc. in Martin County.

Issue 1: Recommendation that Hydratech Utilities does not owe refunds for 1991 and 1992. For 1993, the amount to be refunded is minimal, therefore, in lieu of making a refund, the utility should be allowed to credit CIAC in the amount of \$340. For 1994, the utility should be ordered to refund \$21,500, plus accrued interest through the date of refund, for the gross-up collected in excess of above-the-line tax liability resulting from the collection of taxable CIAC. According to Orders Nos. 16971 and 23541, all amounts should be refunded on a pro rata basis to those persons who contributed the taxes. The refunds should be completed within 6 months of the effective date of the order. Within 30 days from the date of the refund, the utility should submit copies of cancelled checks, credits applied to monthly bills or other evidence that verifies that the utility has made the refunds. Within 30 days from the date of the refund, the utility also should provide a list of unclaimed refunds detailing contributor and amount, and an explanation of the efforts made to make the refunds.

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COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: Full Commission

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Issue 2: Recommendation that upon expiration of the protest period, this docket should remain open pending staff's verification of refunds. Staff should be given administrative authority to close the docket upon verification that the refunds have been completed.

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