BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Application for amendment of Certificate Nos. 236-W and 179-S to extend service area in St. Johns County by United Water Florida Inc. DOCKET NO. 981637-WS ORDER NO. PSC-99-0424-PCO-WS ISSUED: March 1, 1999

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF FILING TESTIMONY AND PREHEARING STATEMENTS AND REVISING ORDER NO. PSC-99-0373-PCO-WS

On November 18, 1998, United Water Florida Inc. (UWF or utility), filed an application for amendment of Certificates Nos. 236-W and 179-S to extend its service area in St. Johns County. Timely protests to the application were filed, and this matter was set for an administrative hearing.

By Order No. PSC-99-0373-PCO-WS (Order Establishing Procedure), issued February 22, 1999, controlling dates were established in this docket. Pursuant to that order, UWF's direct testimony and exhibits are due on March 1, 1999. The Prehearing Conference and Hearing dates are scheduled on June 4, 1999 and June 30-July 2, 1999, respectively.

On February 25, 1999, UWF filed a Motion for Extension of Time to file its direct testimony and exhibits. In support of its motion, UWF states that it requires a three week extension to adequately prepare its direct testimony and exhibits. UWF states that the Order Establishing Procedure allows three weeks for the preparation of all testimony except that of UWF, which is only allowed one week. UWF also moves that all remaining testimony and prehearing statements be extended by three weeks. UWF states that granting its request will not delay the prehearing and hearing dates. Therefore, UWF asserts that its request will not cause prejudice to any party.

UWF has contacted the attorneys for all parties including counsel for St. Johns County, even though this Commission has not yet ruled on St. Johns County's motion regarding its participation and intervention in this matter. The parties indicate that they do not object to UWF's requested extension. However, counsel for the Jacksonville Electric Authority (JEA) has indicated that JEA does

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not object to UWF's request provided that intervenor testimony and exhibits be due on April 12, 1999.

UWF's motion does not require a delay in prehearing and hearing dates. Accordingly, UWF's motion is hereby granted. However, prehearing statements shall be due on the same date as rebuttal testimony to ensure adequate time to prepare for the Prehearing Conference. Therefore, the following revised dates shall govern this case.

1)	Utility's direct testimony and exhibits	March 22, 1999
2)	Intervenors' direct testimony and exhibits	April 12, 1999
3)	Staff's direct testimony and exhibits, if any	May 3 , 1999
4)	Rebuttal testimony and exhibits	May 24, 1999
5)	Prehearing statements	May 24, 1999

Except as modified herein, Order No. PSC-99-0373-PCO-WS, is hereby reaffirmed in all respects.

Based upon the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by Commissioner E. Leon Jacobs, Jr., as Prehearing Officer, that United Water Florida Inc.'s Motion for Extension of Time is hereby granted as set forth in the body of this Order. It is further

ORDERED that Order No. PSC-99-0373-PCO-WS is hereby revised as set forth in the body of this Order. It is further

ORDERED that Order No. PSC-99-0373-PCO-WS is reaffirmed in all other respects.

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By ORDER of Commissioner E. Leon Jacobs, Jr., as Prehearing Officer, this <u>lst</u> day of <u>March</u>, <u>1999</u>.

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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 Records and Reporting, 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 ORDER NO. PSC-99-0424-PCO-WS DOCKET NO. 981637-WS PAGE 4

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.

MEMORANDUM

JJ February 36, 1999

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Attached is an ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF FILING TESTIMONY AND PREHEARING STATEMENTS AND REVISING ORDER NO. PSC-99-0373-PCO-WS, to be issued in the above-referenced docket.

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cc: Division of Water and Wastewater (Redemann)

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