

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Application for rate  
increase in Pinellas County by  
Mid-County Services, Inc.

DOCKET NO. 971065-SU  
ORDER NO. PSC-99-0965-PCO-SU  
ISSUED: May 12, 1999

ORDER GRANTING STIPULATED MOTION  
AND REVISING CONTROLLING DATES

This matter is set for a June 21-22, 1999 hearing in Pinellas County, pursuant to Order No. PSC-98-0967-PCO-SU, issued July 16, 1998. Pursuant to Order No. PSC-98-1215-PCO-SU, issued September 14, 1998, the Prehearing Officer granted a stipulated request by Mid-County Services, Inc. (Mid-County or utility) and the Office of Public Counsel (OPC) to extend the dates for filing testimony and other prehearing activities. On October 14, 1998, the Prehearing Officer issued Order No. PSC-98-1383-PCO-SU, which granted a Second Stipulated Motion for Extension of Prehearing Activities. On February 2, 1999, the Prehearing Officer issued Order No. PSC-99-0185-PCO-SU, which granted the Third Stipulated Motion for Extension of Prehearing Activities.

On May 4, 1999, Mid-County filed a fourth Stipulated Motion, wherein it requests that the dates for filing rebuttal testimony and prehearing statements be extended for 14 and 7 days, respectively, to May 24, 1999. The motion states that the extension is being requested to permit further settlement negotiations between Mid-County and OPC. The motion further states that Mid-County has consulted counsel for OPC, and is authorized to represent that OPC consents to the requested extension.

After review of the motion, it appears that the utility's request is reasonable. Therefore, Mid-County's fourth stipulated motion is approved. Parties should note that the date of the Prehearing Conference is also revised in order to accommodate other scheduling requirements in the Commission's calendar. Accordingly, new controlling dates governing this proceeding are set forth below:

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| 1) Rebuttal testimony<br>and exhibits | May 24, 1999 |
| 2) Prehearing Statements              | May 24, 1999 |

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| 3) Prehearing Conference         | June 3, 1999     |
| 4) Discovery actions<br>complete | June 14, 1999    |
| 5) Hearing                       | June 21-22, 1999 |
| 6) Briefs                        | July 20, 1999    |

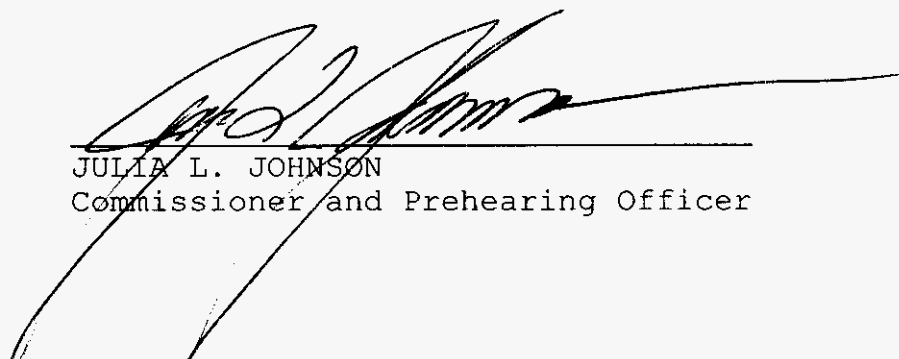
This Order is issued pursuant to the authority granted by Rule 28-106.211, Florida Administrative Code, which provides that the presiding officer before whom a case is pending may issue any orders necessary to effectuate discovery, prevent delay, and promote the just, speedy, and inexpensive determination of all aspects of the case.

Based upon the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by Commissioner Julia L. Johnson, as Prehearing Officer, that Mid-County Services, Inc.'s Stipulated Motion for Extension of Rebuttal Testimony and Prehearing Statement Deadlines is hereby granted. It is further

ORDERED that the rebuttal testimony and prehearing statement dates are hereby changed as set forth in the body of this Order.

By ORDER of Commissioner Julia L. Johnson, as Prehearing Officer, this 12th Day of May, 1999.

  
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JULIA L. JOHNSON  
Commissioner and Prehearing Officer

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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.

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 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.