

VOTE SHEET

FEBRUARY 29, 2000

RE: DOCKET NO. 970409-SU - Initiation of limited proceeding to restructure wastewater rates for Florida Water Service Corporation's Tropical Isles service area in St. Lucie County.

Issue 1: What is the appropriate revenue requirement on a going-forward basis for this system based on a 1996 test year?

Recommendation: The appropriate revenue requirement on a going-forward basis for this system based on a 1996 test year is \$99,497.

MODIFIED

Revenue requirement is to give credit to unbilled customers & will not include used & useful or negative acquisition adjustments.

COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: DS CL JC

COMMISSIONERS' SIGNATURES

MAJORITY

DISSENTING

Susan Clark
J. Tom Deaso
[Signature]

REMARKS/DISSENTING COMMENTS:

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Issue 2: What is the appropriate rate structure and what are the resulting rates for the Tropical Isles system on a prospective basis?

Recommendation: Wastewater service should be billed based on water usage utilizing the base facility charge (BFC) rate structure with a gallonage cap of 6,000 gallons per month for residential customers. The utility should be required to obtain the water usage data each month for billing purposes from the City of Ft. Pierce. Further, in months when a customer is away from the premises and the water service has been discontinued, the customer should be charged only the base facility charge. recommended rates are shown on Schedule No. 3 of staff's February 17, 2000 memorandum. The utility should file revised tariff sheets and a proposed customer notice to reflect the Commission-approved rates. The approved rates should be effective for service rendered on or after the stamped approval date of the revised tariff sheets pursuant to Rule 25-30.475(1), Florida Administrative Code. The rates should not be implemented until staff has approved the proposed customer notice, and the notice has been received by all customers receiving service. The utility should provide proof of the date notice was given no less than 10 days after the date of the notice.

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Consistent with vote in issue 1.

Issue 3: Should this docket be closed?

Recommendation: Yes, if no timely protest is received upon the expiration of the protest period, the Order should become final and effective upon the issuance of a consummating order and this docket should be closed.

APPROVED