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DECEMBER 19, 2000

RE: DOCKET NO. 000973-SU - Application for transfer of Certificate No. 515-S in Polk County from ABCA, Inc. to West Lakeland Utilities, Inc.

Issue 1: Should the transfer of Certificate No. 515-S from ABCA, Inc., to West Lakeland Utilities, Inc., be approved?

Recommendation: Yes. The transfer should be approved. ABCA should be responsible for filing the utility's 2000 Annual Report and remitting the resulting regulatory assessment fees (RAFs) in the time frame and manner prescribed by Commission rules. ABCA should also be responsible for 2001 RAFs up to the closing on the sales transaction. West Lakeland should be responsible for Annual Reports and RAFs from the date of closing forward. Within 30 days of the closing, West Lakeland should provide a recorded warranty deed for the land upon which the utility facilities are located.

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COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: Full Commission

COMMISSIONERS' SIGNATURES

MAJORITY

DISSENTING

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Issue 2: What is the rate base of ABCA, Inc., at the time of the transfer?

Recommendation: The rate base for the wastewater system as of June 30, 1999, was \$31,392, as established by Order No. PSC-00-1163-PAA-SU.

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Issue 3: Should an acquisition adjustment be approved?

Recommendation: No. An acquisition adjustment should not be included in the calculation of rate base for transfer purposes.

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Issue 4: Should the rates and charges approved for ABCA, Inc., be continued?

Recommendation: Yes. The rates and charges approved for the utility should be continued until authorized to change by the Commission in a subsequent proceeding. The tariff reflecting the transfer should be effective for services rendered or connections made on or after the stamped approval date on the tariff sheets.

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Issue 5: Should this docket be closed?

Recommendation: No. If no timely protest is received to the proposed agency action issues, upon the expiration of the protest period a Consummating Order should be issued and the docket should remain open for confirmation of closing and receipt of proof of ownership of the land upon which the utility facilities are located. Upon receipt of a recorded warranty deed in the name of West Lakeland Utilities, Inc., Certificate No. 515-S should be transferred effective the date of closing and the docket should be administratively closed.

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