

VOTE SHEET

JANUARY 2, 2001

RE: DOCKET NO. 991643-SU - Application for increase in wastewater rates in Seven Springs System in Pasco County by Aloha Utilities, Inc.

Issue 1: Should the Commission acknowledge the implementation of the proposed final rates by Aloha Utilities, Inc.?

Recommendation: Yes. The Commission should acknowledge the utility's implementation of the proposed final rates subject to refund pending the outcome of this rate proceeding.

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COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: JC JB BZ

COMMISSIONERS' SIGNATURES

MAJORITY

DISSENTING

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REMARKS/DISSENTING COMMENTS:

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Issue 2: What is the appropriate security to guarantee the increased revenues collected under the proposed final rates?

Recommendation: The escrow agreement filed by the utility on December 8, 2000, should be accepted to guarantee any potential refund of revenues collected under the proposed final rates. Pursuant to Rule 25-30.360(6), Florida Administrative Code, the utility should be required to provide a report by the 20th of each month indicating the monthly and total revenues collected subject to refund. Further, in no instance should the administrative costs of any refunds be borne by the customers. The costs are the responsibility of, and should be borne by, the utility.

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Issue 3: Should this docket be closed?

Recommendation: No. This docket should remain open pending the outcome of this rate proceeding.

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