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JANUARY 16, 2001

RE: DOCKET NO. 010005-WS - Annual reestablishment of price increase or decrease index of major categories of operating costs incurred by water and wastewater utilities pursuant to Section 367.081(4)(a), F.S.

<u>Issue 1</u>: Which index should be used to determine price level adjustments? Recommendation: The Gross Domestic Product Implicit Price Deflator Index is recommended for use in calculating price level adjustments. Staff recommends calculating the 2001 price index by using a fiscal year, four quarter comparison of the Implicit Price Deflator Index ending with the third quarter 2000.

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COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: Full Commission

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<u>Issue 2</u>: What percentage should be used by water and wastewater utilities for the 2001 Price Index?

Recommendation: The 2001 Price Index for water and wastewater utilities should be 2.50%.

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<u>Issue 3</u>: How should the utilities calculate and provide annualized revenues for indexing purposes?

Recommendation: The utilities should utilize Form PSC/WAW 15 (4/99).

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Issue 4: How should the utilities be informed of the indexing
requirements?

Recommendation: The Division of Records and Reporting should be directed to mail each regulated water and wastewater utility a copy of the PAA order establishing the index which will contain the information presented in Form PSC/WAW 15 (4/99) and Appendix "A" (Attachment 1 of staff's January 4, 2001 memorandum). A cover letter from the Director of the Division of Economic Regulation should be included with the mailing of the order.

APPROVED with modification made to letter (Attachment 2) by stoff at confunce.

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<u>Issue 5</u>: Should this docket be closed?

<u>Recommendation</u>: Yes. This docket should be closed upon the issuance of the Consummating Order if no substantially affected person files a timely protest within the 14-day protest period after issuance of the PAA Order. Any party filing a protest should be required to prefile testimony with the protest.

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