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Public Service Commission

August 16, 2002

Mr. Herbert Hein, President
East Marion Sanitary Systems, Inc.
13380 East Hwy. 40
Silver Springs, Florida 34488

Re: Docket No. 010869-WS, Application for a staff-assisted rate case in Polk County by East Marion Sanitary Systems, Inc.

Mr. Hein:

On August 6, 2002, the Commission voted on staff's recommendation dated July 25, 2002. A Proposed Agency Action (PAA) order is scheduled to be issued on August 26, 2002. If no protests are filed by the end of the protest period, which is 21 days from the date that the PAA order is issued, the rates and charges approved by this Commission will become final. However, the utility must submit revised tariff pages for staff's approval before the utility can implement new rates.

To expedite the tariff revision process, the utility should file all revised tariff pages by August 28, 2002, to allow staff sufficient time to verify the accuracy of the revised pages. Enclosed are instructions for, as well as, examples of revised tariffs for this utility. Although staff has prepared revised tariffs for this utility, it is the utility's responsibility to make sure all tariffs submitted to the Commission are complete and accurate.

A copy of the customer notice informing the utility's customers of the Commission's approved increase must also be submitted for staff's review and approval. After staff approves this notice, it must be mailed to customers of receipt prior to consumption at the increased rates. This notice shall show the effective date of the tariffs as well as billing and emergency numbers. Staff has also included an example of a Commission approved customer notice.

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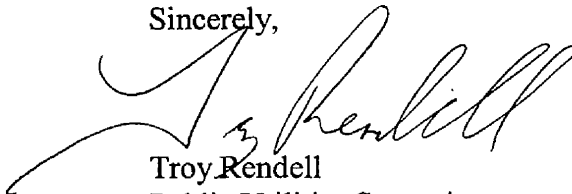
Please mail the revised tariff pages and a copy of the proposed customer notice to:

Mr. Ryan Fitch
Division of Economic Regulation
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Enclosed is a copy of accumulated plant, depreciation, CIAC and amortization of CIAC schedules reflecting year end balance at December 31, 2000. The Commission approved these balances for rate setting purposes in this case. Once the protest period expires and a consummating order is issued, please reconcile your books with the Commission approved accumulated balances shown on the enclosed schedules.

If you have any questions, please contact Ryan Fitch at (850) 413-6928.

Sincerely,



Troy Rendell
Public Utilities Supervisor

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Enclosure (4)

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