

FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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OCTOBER 5, 2004

RE: Docket No. 040179-WS - Application for transfer of facilities and Certificate Nos. 336-W and 191-S in Martin County from Columbia Properties Stuart, LLC to Utilities, Inc. of Hutchinson Island.

Issue 1: Should the transfer of facilities and Certificate Nos. 336-W and 291-S from Columbia Properties Stuart, LLC to Utilities, Inc. of Hutchinson Island be approved?

Recommendation: Yes. The transfer of facilities and Certificate Nos. 336-W and 291-S from Columbia Properties Stuart, LLC to Utilities, Inc. of Hutchinson Island should be approved. The transfer should be effective on the day of the Commission vote. In addition, Columbia Properties Stuart, LLC will be responsible for the payment of all regulatory assessment fees (RAFs) due for revenues received through the date of closing. UIHI will be responsible for the payment of all RAFs due thereafter and for filing the 2004 annual report for January 1 through December 31, 2004. A description of the territory being transferred is appended to staff's September 23, 2004 memorandum as Attachment A.

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COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: All Commissioners

COMMISSIONERS' SIGNATURES

MAJORITY

DISSENTING

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Issue 2: Should an acquisition adjustment be included in the calculation of rate base?

Recommendation: No. Pursuant to Rule 25-30.0371(2), Florida Administrative Code, an acquisition adjustment should not be included in rate base.

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Issue 3: Should Utilities, Inc. of Hutchinson Island adopt and use the rates and charges approved by this Commission for Columbia Properties Stuart, LLC.?

Recommendation: Yes. Utilities, Inc. of Hutchinson Island should continue charging the rates and service availability charges approved for this utility system until authorized to change by the Commission in a subsequent proceeding. The tariff reflecting the change in ownership should be effective for services rendered or connections made on or after the stamped approval date.

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Issue 4: Should Utilities, Inc. of Hutchinson Island's request to use the uniform Allowance for Funds Used During Construction (AFUDC) rate granted in Order No. PSC-04-0262-PAA-WS be approved?

Recommendation: Yes. An annual AFUDC rate of 9.03% with a discounted monthly rate of 0.751966% should be approved for UIHI which is consistent with Order No. PSC-04-0262-PAA-WS. The rate should be applicable for eligible construction projects.

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Issue 5: Should the Commission approve a wastewater tariff reflecting the reclaimed water class of service for the golf course located in the Hutchinson Island Resort?

Recommendation: Yes. The utility has filed a wastewater tariff reflecting the reclaimed water class of service at a zero rate for the golf course located within the Hutchinson Island Resort. The tariff should be effective for services rendered on or after the stamped approval date of the tariff. The utility should return to the Commission for a determination regarding rates for reclaimed water service prior to providing that service to any other customers.

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Issue 6: Should this docket be closed?

Recommendation: Yes. If no timely protests are filed by a substantially affected person to the proposed agency action Issue Nos. 2, 4, and 5, a Consummating Order should be issued upon the expiration of the protest period and the docket should be closed.

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