

FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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NOVEMBER 30, 2004

RE: Docket No. 020945-SU - Application for transfer of Certificate No. 473-S in Highlands County from Creola, Inc. to Francis I Utility, L.L.C.

Issue 1: Should the transfer of facilities and Certificate No. 473-S from Creola to Francis I be approved? Recommendation: Yes. The transfer of facilities and Certificate No. 473-S from Creola to Francis I Utility, L.L.C., is in the public interest and should be approved effective the date of the Commission's vote. Francis I should be responsible for all RAFs and annual reports for 2004 and the future. The territory being transferred is described in Attachment A of staff's November 18, 2004 memorandum.

**APPROVED**

COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: All Commissioners

COMMISSIONERS' SIGNATURES

MAJORITY

DISSENTING

*[Handwritten signatures: J. Terry Deason, Rudy Bradley]*

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Issue 2: What is the rate base of Creola at the time of transfer?

Recommendation: The rate base is \$62,328 for the wastewater system as of August 11, 2003. The utility should be required to provide proof within 60 days of the date of the order that it has set up its books and records using the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) Uniform System of Accounts (USOA) and that adjustments to plant balances have been made to reflect the balances as of August 11, 2003, established pursuant to this order.

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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 this utility be continued?

Recommendation: Yes. The rates and charges approved for Creola should be continued until authorized to change by the Commission in a subsequent proceeding. The tariff pages reflecting the transfer should be effective for services provided 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, the Order will become final upon the issuance of a Consummating Order. However, the docket should remain open pending receipt of the statement from the utility's accountant indicating that the utility's books have been adjusted to reflect the Commission-approved rate base adjustments and balances. Upon receipt of the statement, the docket should be administratively closed.

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