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Docket No. 120209-WS – Application for increase in water and wastewater rates in Marion, Orange, Pasco, Pinellas, and Seminole Counties by Utilities, Inc. of Florida.

Issue 1: Should the revenue requirements and resulting rates, approved by the Commission on November 14, 2013, be revised to correct errors related to the Utility's roll-forward adjustments?

Recommendation:

Yes. The resulting revenue impacts for all systems for this case are reflected below:

County/System	PAA Revenue Increase (or Decrease)	PAA % Change	Revised Revenue Increase (or Decrease)	Revised % Change
Orange - Water	\$25,121	21.65%	\$10,565	9.10%
Pasco - Water	\$192,354	21.24%	\$188,824	20.85%
Pasco - Wastewater	(\$12,337)	(2.34%)	(\$63,346)	(12.00%)
Pinellas - Water	\$62,989	59.89%	\$62,327	59.26
Seminole - Water	\$218,837	24.96%	\$215,440	24.57%
Seminole - Wastewater	\$104,030	12.74%	\$70,033	8.57%

The resulting water and wastewater rates from the corrected revenue requirements are shown on Schedule Nos. 4-A through 4-E.


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COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: All Commissioners

COMMISSIONERS' SIGNATURES

MAJORITY

DISSENTING



REMARKS/DISSENTING COMMENTS:

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Issue 2: Should the initial interim refund calculations be revised, and, if so, what is the amount of any refunds?

Recommendation: Yes. The appropriate refund amounts should be calculated by using the same data used to establish final rates, excluding rate case expense and other items not in effect during the interim period. The revised revenue requirements for the interim collection period should be compared to the amount of interim revenues granted. The revenue requirements granted in the Interim Order for the test year are less than the revised revenue requirements for the interim collection period for Pasco County water and Seminole County water and wastewater. This results in no interim refunds for these systems. The revenue requirement granted for Orange County water in the Interim Order for the test year is greater than the revised revenue requirement for the interim collection period, which results in a refund of 7.99 percent of water revenues collected under interim rates. The refunds should be made with interest in accordance with Rule 25-30.360(4), F.A.C. The Utility should be required to submit proper refund reports, pursuant to Rule 25-30.360(7), F.A.C. The Utility should treat any unclaimed refunds as CIAC, pursuant to Rule 25-30.360(8), F.A.C. Further, the corporate undertaking should be released upon staff's verification that the required refunds have been made.

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Issue 3: Should this docket be closed?

Recommendation: No. If no person whose substantial interests are affected by the proposed agency action files a protest within 21 days of the issuance of the order, a consummating order should be issued. The docket should remain open for staff's verification that the revised tariff sheets and customer notices have been filed by the Utility and approved by staff, and that the interim refund for Orange County water has been completed and verified by staff. Once these actions are complete, this docket should be closed administratively, and the corporate undertaking should be released.

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Carlotta Stauffer

From: Patti Daniel
Sent: Monday, January 06, 2014 3:08 PM
To: Carlotta Stauffer
Subject: FW: Request for Oral Modification for Item No. 2, January 7, 2014, Commission Conference, Docket No. 120209-WS - Utilities Inc. of Florida

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From: Braulio Baez
Sent: Monday, January 06, 2014 2:29 PM
To: Jim Dean; Lisa Harvey
Cc: Patti Daniel; Shannon Hudson; Marshall Willis; Dale Mailhot; Michael Lawson; Jennifer Crawford; Mil Jubinsky
Subject: RE: Request for Oral Modification for Item No. 2, January 7, 2014, Commission Conference, Docket No. 120209-WS - Utilities Inc. of Florida

Approved. Thank you.

From: Jim Dean
Sent: Monday, January 06, 2014 11:45 AM
To: Lisa Harvey; Braulio Baez
Cc: Patti Daniel; Shannon Hudson; Marshall Willis; Dale Mailhot; Michael Lawson; Jennifer Crawford
Subject: FW: Request for Oral Modification for Item No. 2, January 7, 2014, Commission Conference, Docket No. 120209-WS - Utilities Inc. of Florida

Staff discovered an error in developing the rates for Seminole County in the above docket. We inadvertently used a 4 tier structure instead of the structure that resulted from the Commission's original vote in this docket. Attached is the oral modification. This change does not affect the revenue requirement.

From: Shannon Hudson
Sent: Monday, January 06, 2014 11:23 AM
To: Jim Dean
Subject: Request for Oral Modification for Item No. 2, January 7, 2014, Commission Conference, Docket No. 120209-WS - Utilities Inc. of Florida

Item No. 2 relates to a recommendation to correct errors related to the Utilities Inc. of Florida's roll-forward adjustments. Staff requests approval to make an oral modification to Seminole County Water Rate Schedule Nos. 4-A and 4-B on Page Nos. 45 and 46, respectively. The incorrect usage blocks and usage block rate factors were inadvertently used to calculate the gallonage charges. The specific modifications are in type and strike format as follows:

Schedule No. 4-A

UTILITIES, INC. OF FLORIDA (SEMINOLE COUNTY)	
STAFF RECOMMENDED	
WATER RATE STRUCTURES AND RATES	
Test Year Rate Structure and Rates	Staff Recommended Rate Structure and Rates

3-Tier Inclining Block Rate Structure Rate Factors 1.00, 1.75, and 2.25 BFC = 25%		3-Tier Inclining Block Rate Structure Rate Factors 1.00, 1.75, and 2.25 BFC = 25%	
BFC	\$7.23	BFC	\$8.38
0-6 kgals (non-discretionary)	\$2.77	0-6kgals 0-8 kgals	\$3.72 \$3.45
6-8 kgals	\$3.12	6-8 kgals	\$5.18
8-16 kgals	\$5.37	8-16 kgals	\$6.51 \$6.90
16+ kgals	\$6.92	16+ kgals	\$8.37 \$8.63
Typical Monthly Bills		Typical Monthly Bills	
Consumption (kgals)		Consumption (kgals)	
0	\$7.23	0	\$8.38
1	\$10.00	1	\$12.10 \$11.83
3	\$15.54	3	\$19.54 \$18.73
6	\$23.85	6	\$30.70 \$29.08
10	\$40.83	10	\$51.16 \$53.24
20	\$100.73	20	\$123.70 \$129.16

Utilities, Inc. of Florida – Seminole County Monthly Water Rates Test Year Ended 12/31/11			Schedule No. 4-B Docket No. 120209-WS		
	Utility Current Rates	Commission Approved Interim	Utility Requested Final	Staff Recommended Rates	4 Year Rate Reduction
Residential and General Service					
Base Facility Charge by Meter Size:					
5/8"X3/4"	\$7.23	\$7.59	\$9.72	\$8.38	\$0.30
1"	\$18.08	\$18.98	\$24.30	\$20.95	\$0.75
1-1/2"	\$36.17	\$37.96	\$48.61	\$41.90	\$1.49
2"	\$57.86	\$60.74	\$77.75	\$67.04	\$2.39
3"	\$115.72	\$121.47	\$155.50	\$134.08	\$4.77
4"	\$180.83	\$189.81	\$243.00	\$209.50	\$7.46
6"	\$361.64	\$379.61	\$485.97	\$419.00	\$14.92
Charge per 1,000 Gallons - Residential					
0 - 6,000 gallons	\$2.77	\$2.91	\$3.72	N/A \$3.45	N/A \$0.12
6,001 - 8,000 gallons	\$3.12	\$3.28	\$4.19	N/A \$5.18	N/A \$0.18
0 - 8,000 gallons	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$3.72	\$0.13
8,001- 16000 gallons	\$5.37	\$5.64	\$7.22	\$6.51 \$6.90	\$0.23 \$0.25
Over 16,000 gallons	\$6.92	\$7.27	\$9.30	\$8.37 \$8.63	\$0.30 \$0.31
Charge per 1,000 Gallons - General Service	\$3.50	\$3.67	\$4.70	\$4.36	\$0.16
Typical Residential 5/8" x 3/4" Meter Bill Comparison					
3,000 gallons	\$15.54	\$16.32	\$20.88	\$19.54 \$18.73	
6,000 gallons	\$23.85	\$25.05	\$32.04	\$30.70 \$29.08	
10,000 gallons	\$40.83	\$42.89	\$54.86	\$51.16 \$53.24	