

FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Item 14

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April 16, 2015

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**Docket No. 150057-WS** – Request for approval of amendment to tariff for miscellaneous service charges in Highlands County by HC Waterworks, Inc.

**Issue 1:** Should the Commission approve HC Waterworks’ request to amend its tariff sheet for miscellaneous service charges to include a convenience charge for customers who opt to pay their water or wastewater bill by debit or credit card online or by way of telephone?

**Recommendation:** Yes. HC Waterworks’ request to amend its tariff sheet for miscellaneous service charges to include a convenience fee of \$2.60 for customers who opt to pay their water or wastewater bill by debit or credit card online or by way of telephone should be approved. The charge should be effective for services rendered on or after the stamped approval date on the tariff, pursuant to Rule 25-30.475, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.). In addition, the approved charge should not be implemented until staff has approved the proposed customer notice and the notice has been received by the customers. The Utility should provide proof of the date notice was given within 10 days of the date of the notice. If a protest is filed within 21 days of the issuance date of the Order, the tariff should remain in effect with the charge held subject to refund pending resolution of the protest.

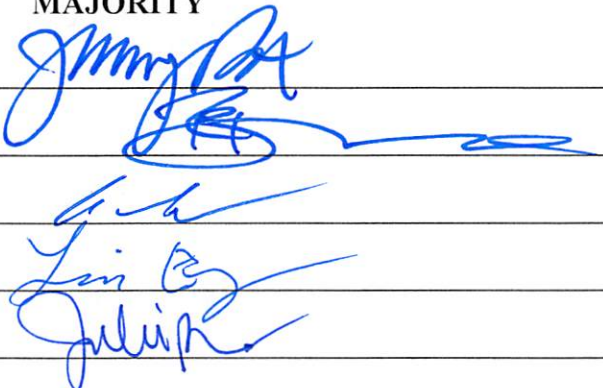
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COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: All Commissioners

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**Issue 2:** Should this docket be closed?

**Recommendation:** No. If Issue 1 is approved, the docket should remain open pending staff's verification that the revised tariff sheet and customer notice have been filed by the Utility and approved by staff. If no timely protest is filed, a consummating order should be issued and, once staff verifies that the notice of the charge has been given to customers, the docket should be administratively closed.

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