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BEFORE THE
FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

DOCKET NO. 160223-WS

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS FOR RULES
25-30.425 AND 25-30.455,
F.A.C.

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PROCEEDINGS: COMMISSION CONFERENCE AGENDA
ITEM NO. 3

COMMISSIONERS
PARTICIPATING: CHAIRMAN JULIE I. BROWN
COMMISSIONER LISA POLAK EDGAR
COMMISSIONER ART GRAHAM
COMMISSIONER RONALD A. BRISÉ
COMMISSIONER JIMMY PATRONIS

DATE: Tuesday, December 6, 2016

PLACE: Betty Easley Conference Center
Room 148
4075 Esplanade Way
Tallahassee, Florida

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P R O C E E D I N G S

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2 **CHAIRMAN BROWN:** We are moving on to Item 3.

3 **MS. HARPER:** I'm back.

4 **CHAIRMAN BROWN:** You're back. You haven't
5 left.

6 **MS. HARPER:** Item 3 has to do with some water
7 and wastewater rules, Commissioners. During the 2016
8 legislative session, the Florida Legislature modified
9 two subsections of the water statutes pertaining to
10 staff assistance in rate case and also recovery of
11 pass-through adjustments. To implement the new laws,
12 staff's recommended rule amendments will update and
13 streamline the Commission rules consistent with this new
14 law, and staff is available for any questions.

15 **CHAIRMAN BROWN:** Thank you.

16 Staff, in your recommendation on page 4, it
17 talks about possible options that staff is working on
18 reviewing for improving public access to information
19 that will address the concern that Office of Public
20 Counsel has raised outside of the rulemaking process.
21 Can you elaborate a little bit more?

22 **MS. HARPER:** Yes. Public Counsel raised the
23 issue of being notified when a pass-through had been
24 approved. Currently the process, because it's
25 administrative and very quick and sometimes, you know, a

1 45-day process, the process did not allow for that.
2 However, we received the comments and we are going to
3 work with them, and I believe have already started
4 providing them with a notification once a pass-through
5 has been approved. So, therefore, they will be able to
6 address any customer comments or questions they may get
7 from customers now that they have this notice.

8 **CHAIRMAN BROWN:** So you're going -- staff is
9 going to prepare -- send Public Counsel a notice when
10 Commissioners receive it as well.

11 **MS. HARPER:** After the Commissioners receive
12 it --

13 **CHAIRMAN BROWN:** Okay.

14 **MS. HARPER:** -- they will -- I believe they
15 will be forwarded an email that will give them the same
16 type of notification that the Commissioners receive, and
17 that'll be the process for now. Eventually this will be
18 an online system. But since we're not there yet, this
19 will hopefully address their concerns in the interim.

20 **CHAIRMAN BROWN:** Thank you. Appreciate that.

21 Commissioners, any other questions or comments
22 on this proposed rule, which is really just implementing
23 some of the changes that were made during the past
24 session? Can I get a motion?

25 **COMMISSIONER EDGAR:** So moved.

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COMMISSIONER PATRONIS: Second.

CHAIRMAN BROWN: All those in favor, say aye.

(Vote taken.)

Motion passes. Thank you, Adria.

(Agenda item concluded.)

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