

BEFORE THE  
FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

DOCKET NO. 160153-GU

PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF FINAL  
TRUE-UP OF ENVIRONMENTAL  
SURCHARGE BY FLORIDA DIVISION  
OF CHESAPEAKE UTILITIES  
CORPORATION.

PROCEEDINGS: COMMISSION CONFERENCE AGENDA  
ITEM NO. 4

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  
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## P R O C E E D I N G S

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2           **CHAIRMAN BROWN:** All right. On to Item 4.

3 Good morning.

4           **MR. PASSETT:** Good morning.

5           **MR. MOURING:** Good morning, Commissioners.

6 I'd like to take this opportunity to introduce Richard  
7 Passett. Mr. Passett is a new analyst in the AFD  
8 surveillance section, and he'll be introducing Item 4  
9 this morning.

10          **CHAIRMAN BROWN:** Good luck.

11          **MR. MOURING:** This is his debut speaking  
12 appearance at agenda.

13          **CHAIRMAN BROWN:** Good morning, Mr. Passett.

14          **MR. PASSETT:** Good morning.

15          **CHAIRMAN BROWN:** Great to have you here.

16          **MR. PASSETT:** Thank you. So good morning,  
17 Commissioners. Item No. 4 is staff's recommendation on  
18 Chesapeake's request for approval to establish a  
19 regulatory liability related to its environmental  
20 surcharge.

21                 In Chesapeake's 2009 rate case, the Commission  
22 approved a four-year fixed surcharge to recover  
23 environmental remediation costs. In 2014, the  
24 Commission approved a 20-month extension of the  
25 surcharge. And due to a timing issue with remediation

1 costs, Chesapeake currently has an over-collected  
2 balance from the surcharge extension.

3 Chesapeake is seeking to retain the  
4 over-collected balance as a regulatory liability in  
5 Account 254 to address the anticipated future  
6 remediation costs.

7 There are no intervenors in this docket, and  
8 no customers have contacted the Commission regarding  
9 this matter. Representatives from the company are  
10 available to address any Commission concerns, and staff  
11 is prepared to answer any questions.

12 **CHAIRMAN BROWN:** Thank you, Mr. Passett. And  
13 I don't think my colleagues are going to haze you today.  
14 They're in a very chipper mood, but -- oh, Commissioner  
15 Graham. I may be wrong.

16 **COMMISSIONER GRAHAM:** Thank you, Madam  
17 Chairman.

18 Mr. Passett, why is it called Chesapeake  
19 Utilities if it's in Fernandina Beach, Florida?

20 **MR. PASSETT:** I can get back to you with that.

21 (Laughter.)

22 **CHAIRMAN BROWN:** Thank you.

23 Can I get a motion?

24 **COMMISSIONER BRISÉ:** So moved.

25 **COMMISSIONER EDGAR:** Second.

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**CHAIRMAN BROWN:** All those in favor, say aye.

(Vote taken.)

The item passes unanimously.

Thank you.

**MR. PASSETT:** Thank you.

**CHAIRMAN BROWN:** We were gentle on you.

(Agenda item concluded.)

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