

FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Item 3

VOTE SHEET

January 5, 2017

Docket No. 160169-WU – Application for authority to transfer water system and Certificate No. 450-W from Pine Harbour Water Utilities, LLC to Pine Harbour Waterworks, Inc. in Lake County.

Issue 1: Should the transfer of Pine Harbour Water Utilities, LLC water system and Certificate No. 450-W to Pine Harbour Waterworks, Inc. be approved?

Recommendation: Yes. The transfer of the water system and Certificate No. 450-W is in the public interest and should be approved effective the date of the Commission vote. The resultant order should serve as the Buyer's certificate and should be retained by the Buyer. The existing rates and charges should remain in effect until a change is authorized by the Commission in a subsequent proceeding. The tariffs reflecting the transfer should be effective for services rendered or connections made on or after the stamped approval date on the tariffs, pursuant to Rule 25-30.475, F.A.C. PHWUL will be responsible for paying RAFs through June 29, 2016, and the Buyer will be responsible for paying RAFs after June 29, 2016, and all future years. The Buyer should be responsible for filing the 2016 Annual Report and all future Annual Reports.

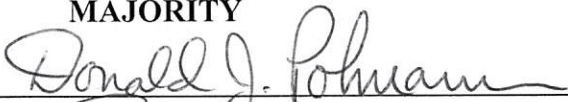
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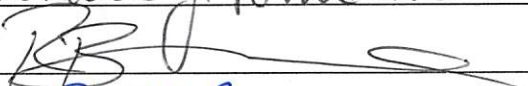
COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: All Commissioners


COMMISSIONERS' SIGNATURES


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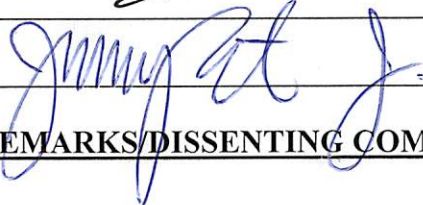
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REMARKS/DISSENTING COMMENTS:

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Issue 2: What are the appropriate initial customer deposits for Pine Harbour Waterworks, Inc. water service?

Recommendation: The appropriate water initial customer deposit should be \$56 for the residential 5/8” x 3/4” meter size. The initial customer deposits for all other residential meter sizes should be two times the average estimated bill for water service. The approved initial customer deposits should be effective for connections made on or after the stamped approval date on the tariff sheet, pursuant to Rule 25-30.475, F.A.C.

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Issue 3: Should the Commission approve Pine Harbour Waterworks, Inc.’s request to implement a convenience charge for customers who opt to pay their water bill by debit or credit card online or by telephone?

Recommendation: Yes. PHWI’s request to implement a convenience charge of \$2.60 for customers who opt to pay their water 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, 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. PHWI should provide proof of the date that the notice was given within 10 days of the date of the notice.

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Issue 4: Should Pine Harbour Waterworks, Inc. be authorized to collect Non-Sufficient Funds Charges (NSF)?

Recommendation: Yes. PHWI should be authorized to collect NSF charges. Staff recommends that PHWI revise its tariffs to reflect the NSF charges currently set forth in Section 68.065, F.S. The NSF charges should be effective on or after the stamped approval date on the tariff sheets, pursuant to Rule 25-30.475(1), F.A.C. Furthermore, the charges should not be implemented until staff has approved the proposed customer notice. PHWI should provide proof of the date the notice was given within 10 days of the date of the notice.

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Issue 5: What is the appropriate net book value for the Pine Harbour Water Utilities, LLC water system for transfer purposes, and should an acquisition adjustment be approved?

Recommendation: The net book value of the water system for transfer purposes is \$23,698 as of June 29, 2016. An acquisition adjustment should not be included in rate base. Within 90 days of the date of the final order, PHWI should be required to notify the Commission in writing, that it has adjusted its books in accordance with the Commission's decision. The adjustments should be reflected in PHWI's 2016 Annual Report when filed.

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Issue 6: Should this docket be closed?

Recommendation: The docket should remain open pending staff's verification that the revised tariff sheets and customer notice have been filed by Pine Harbour Waterworks, Inc. and approved by staff. If a protest is filed within 21 days of the issuance date of the Order, the tariff sheets should remain in effect with the charges held subject to refund pending resolution of the protest. 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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