

FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Item 6

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Docket No. 160145-WU – Application for limited revenue proceeding in St. Johns County, by Camachee Island Company, Inc. d/b/a Camachee Cove Yacht Harbor Utility.

Issue 1: Should the Commission approve the utility’s request for a limited proceeding?

Recommendation: The Commission should approve the utility’s request for a limited proceeding rate increase. Camachee should be allowed an annual increase of \$38,196 (43.31 percent), resulting in an adjusted revenue requirement of \$126,395. The adjusted revenue requirement is reflected on Schedule No. 1-A of staff’s memorandum dated February 23, 2017. The appropriate monthly water rates are shown on Schedule No. 2 of staff’s memorandum dated February 23, 2017. The utility should file revised tariff sheets and a proposed customer notice to reflect the Commission-approved rates. The approved rates should be effective for service rendered on or after the stamped approval date on the tariff sheet, pursuant to Rule 25-30.475(1), F.A.C. In addition, the approved rates 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.

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COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: All Commissioners

COMMISSIONERS’ SIGNATURES

MAJORITY

DISSENTING

Donald Johnson
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REMARKS/DISSENTING COMMENTS:

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Issue 2: What is the appropriate amount by which rates should be reduced four years after the published effective date to reflect the removal of the amortized rate case expense as required by Section 367.0816, F.S.?

Recommendation: The water rates should be reduced as shown on Schedule No. 2 of staff's memorandum dated February 23, 2017, to remove rate case expense grossed up for RAFs and amortized over a four-year period. The decrease in rates should become effective immediately following the expiration of the four-year rate case expense recovery period, pursuant to Section 367.0816, F.S. The utility should be required to file revised tariffs and a proposed customer notice setting forth the lower rates and the reason for the reduction no later than one month prior to the actual date of the required rate reduction. If Camachee files this reduction in conjunction with a price index or pass-through rate adjustment, separate data should be filed for the price index and/or pass-through increase or decrease and the reduction in the rates due to the amortized rate case expense.

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Issue 3: Should the recommended rates be approved for Camachee on a temporary basis, subject to refund, in the event of a protest filed by a substantially affected person or party?

Recommendation: Yes. The recommended rates should be approved for the utility on a temporary basis, subject to refund, in the event of a protest filed by a substantially affected person or party. The utility should file revised tariff sheets and a proposed customer notice to reflect the Commission-approved rates. The approved rates should be effective for service rendered on or after the stamped approval date on the tariff sheet, pursuant to Rule 25-30.475(1), F.A.C. In addition, the temporary rates should not be implemented until staff has approved the proposed notice, and the notice has been received by the customers. Prior to implementation of any temporary rates, the utility should provide appropriate security. If the recommended rates are approved on a temporary basis, the rates collected by the utility should be subject to the refund provisions discussed in the analysis portion of staff's memorandum dated February 23, 2017. In addition, after the increased rates are in effect, pursuant to Rule 25-30.360(6), F.A.C., the utility should file reports with the Commission Clerk's office no later than the 20th of every month indicating the monthly and total amount of money subject to refund at the end of the preceding month. The report filed should also indicate the status of the security being used to guarantee repayment of any potential refund.

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Issue 4: Should this docket be closed?

Recommendation: No. If no person whose substantial interests are affected by the proposed agency action files a protest within twenty-one days of the issuance of the order, a consummating order will be issued. The docket should remain open for staff's verification that the revised tariff sheets and customer notice have been filed by the utility and approved by staff. When the tariff and notice actions are complete, this docket may be closed administratively.

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