

FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Item 8

VOTE SHEET

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July 11, 2023

**Docket No. 20230022-GU** – Petition for approval of 2022 Depreciation Study by St. Joe Natural Gas Company, Inc.

**Issue 1:** Should currently prescribed depreciation rates for St. Joe Natural Gas Company be revised?

**Recommendation:** Yes. The review of St. Joe’s plant and depreciation-related information indicates a need to revise the Company’s currently prescribed depreciation rates.

**APPROVED**

**Issue 2:** What should be the implementation date for newly proposed depreciation rates?

**Recommendation:** Staff recommends January 1, 2023, for implementing newly proposed depreciation rates as shown on Attachments A, B, and C of staff’s memorandum dated June 29, 2023, to this recommendation.


**APPROVED**

**COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED:** All Commissioners


**COMMISSIONERS’ SIGNATURES**

**MAJORITY**


**DISSENTING**



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**REMARKS/DISSENTING COMMENTS:**

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**Issue 3:** What are the appropriate depreciation parameters and resulting rates?

**Recommendation:** Staff recommends the Commission approve the lives, reserve percentages, net salvage percentages, and resulting remaining life depreciation rates for St. Joe that are shown on Attachments A and C of staff's memorandum dated June 29, 2023. Staff further recommends that St. Joe cease booking depreciation expense to Account 387 as of January 1, 2023, until the Company adds new investments to this account, at which time the Company should use staff's recommended whole life rate reflected on Attachment B of staff's memorandum dated June 29, 2023. As shown on Attachment B of staff's memorandum dated June 29, 2023, the corresponding depreciation expense effect of staff's rate recommendations is an increase of \$49,003 annually, or 16.6 percent, based on December 31, 2022 investments.

**APPROVED**

**Issue 4:** Should the current amortization of investment tax credits (ITCs) and flow back of excess deferred income taxes (EDITs) be revised to reflect the approved depreciation rates and amortization schedules?

**Recommendation:** Yes. The current amortization of ITCs and any flow back of EDITs should be revised to match the actual recovery periods for the related property. The Company should file detailed calculations of the revised ITC amortization and flow back of EDITs at the same time it files its earnings surveillance report covering the period ended December 31, 2023, as specified in Rule 25-7.1352, F.A.C.

**APPROVED**

**Issue 5:** Should this docket be closed?

**Recommendation:** Yes. If no protest is filed by a person whose substantial interests are affected within 21 days of the issuance of the Order, this docket should be closed upon the issuance of a Consummating Order.

**APPROVED**