

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition by Utilities
Commission, City of New Smyrna
Beach, Florida, for approval of
Green Pricing Rate Schedule.

DOCKET NO. 990530-EM
ORDER NO. PSC-99-1172-TRF-EM
ISSUED: June 7, 1999

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

JOE GARCIA, Chairman
J. TERRY DEASON
SUSAN F. CLARK
JULIA L. JOHNSON
E. LEON JACOBS, JR.

ORDER GRANTING APPROVAL TO PETITION BY UTILITIES COMMISSION, CITY
OF NEW SMYRNA BEACH, FLORIDA, FOR GREEN PRICING RATE SCHEDULE

BY THE COMMISSION:

CASE BACKGROUND

The Utilities Commission of the City of New Smyrna Beach ("Utility Commission") has initiated a Green Pricing/Renewable Energy Program to install photovoltaic (PV) systems on residential and governmental buildings within the Utility Commission's service area. As part of this program, the Utilities Commission filed on April 26, 1999, a petition for approval of its Green Pricing Rate Schedule ("rate schedule"). The new rate schedule allows customers from all classes to voluntarily contribute \$5 or \$10 to the Green Fund. The customer simply identifies on the monthly bill the amount of the contribution and adds the amount to the regular bill payment. The decision whether to contribute to the Green Fund can be made on a monthly basis. The Green Fund will collect voluntary contributions from the Utility Commission's electric customers which, when combined with available grant money and Utility Commission funds, will allow for the purchase and installation of PV systems in the City of New Smyrna Beach.

The first project to be funded from the Green Fund and from Florida Solar Energy Center subsidies will be a 4 kilowatt PV system at the Coronado Beach Elementary School. The energy produced by the PV installation will be fed into the grid for use of all customers. By installing the first PV system on a school, the City of New Smyrna Beach hopes to provide a training tool for

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its students and provide exposure for the Volusia County school system.

The objective of the proposed rate schedule is to solicit contributions from electric customers to be used to purchase and install PV systems in the City of New Smyrna Beach. PV systems are currently not cost-effective for the average customer due to the high initial cost. However, with voluntary contributions placed into the Green Fund, the City will be able to acquire and install PV systems on residential and governmental buildings throughout its service area. Therefore, we approve the Green Pricing Rate Schedule.

If no person whose substantial interests are affected by the Commission's order in this docket timely files a protest within 21 days of the issuance of this order, this docket should be closed.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the petition by Utilities Commission, City of New Smyrna Beach, Florida, for approval of Green Pricing Rate Schedule is approved. It is further

ORDERED that if a protest is filed within 21 days of issuance of the Order, the tariff shall remain in effect pending resolution of the protest. It is further

ORDERED that if no timely protest is filed, this docket shall be closed upon the issuance of a Consummating Order.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this 7th day of June, 1999.

BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Director
Division of Records and Reporting

By: Kay Flynn
Kay Flynn, Chief
Bureau of Records

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NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.569(1), Florida Statutes, to notify parties of any administrative hearing or judicial review of Commission orders that is available under Sections 120.57 or 120.68, Florida Statutes, as well as the procedures and time limits that apply. This notice should not be construed to mean all requests for an administrative hearing or judicial review will be granted or result in the relief sought.

Mediation may be available on a case-by-case basis. If mediation is conducted, it does not affect a substantially interested person's right to a hearing.

The Commission's decision on this tariff is interim in nature and will become final, unless a person whose substantial interests are affected by the proposed action files a petition for a formal proceeding, in the form provided by Rule 28-106.201, Florida Administrative Code. This petition must be received by the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, by the close of business on June 28, 1999.

In the absence of such a petition, this Order shall become final and effective upon the issuance of a Consummating Order.

Any objection or protest filed in this docket before the issuance date of this order is considered abandoned unless it satisfies the foregoing conditions and is renewed within the specified protest period.

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Attached is an ORDER GRANTING APPROVAL OF PETITION BY UTILITIES COMMISSION, CITY OF NEW SYMRNA BEACH, FLORIDA, FOR GREEN PRICING RATE SCHEDULE, with attachments, to be issued in the above-referenced docket. (Number of pages in order - 3)

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Attachment

cc: Division of Electric and Gas (Draper)

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