BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Application for amendment of Certificate No. 104-S to extend service territory in Pasco County by Hudson Utilities, Inc., and request for limited proceeding.

DOCKET NO. 981079-SU ORDER NO. PSC-00-0212-FOF-SU ISSUED: February 2, 2000

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

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

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE PROOF OF TRANSFER OF TERRITORY

BY THE COMMISSION:

Hudson Utilities, Inc. (Hudson or utility) is a Class B utility serving approximately 1,468 residential and 87 commercial customers. The utility provides wastewater collection service to its customers and contracts with Pasco County (County) for wastewater treatment service pursuant to a Bulk Wastewater Treatment Agreement (Agreement).

On August 26, 1998, Hudson filed an application for amendment of Certificate No. 104-S to extend its service area. The application included a request to serve a portion of territory, known as Signal Cove, that was being served by the County. Pursuant to an Addendum to the Agreement included in the application, the County and Hudson agreed that the Signal Cove territory would be transferred from the County to Hudson.

By Order No. PSC-99-1916-PAA-SU, issued September 27, 1999, in this docket, which was made final and effective by Order No. PSC-99-2082-CO-SU, issued October 21, 1999, we approved Hudson's application to amend its certificate of authorization, including the transfer of the Signal Cove territory from the County to Hudson. Pursuant to Order No. PSC-99-1916-PAA-SU, Hudson was ordered to file proof of the transfer of the Signal Cove territory

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from the County to Hudson within three months from the issuance date of the Order.

On December 9, 1999, Hudson filed a Motion for Extension of Time to File Proof of Transfer of Territory. In support of its motion, Hudson states that, pursuant to the Addendum to the Agreement between Hudson and the County, the transfer of the Signal Cove territory will occur when Hudson connects its force main to the County's wastewater collection system which presently serves the Signal Cove customers. Further, Hudson states that the connection of Hudson's force main to the County's facilities will occur upon completion of the construction of Hudson's wastewater collection facilities to serve those Signal Cove currently on septic tanks. Hudson states that it estimates that the connection will occur in approximately six months, based on estimates that the finalization for the funding of the construction work will take two months and the completion of the necessary construction work will take four months. Thus, Hudson requests an additional six months, until June 27, 2000, to file proof of the transfer of the Signal Cove territory from the County to Hudson.

We find that Hudson's motion is reasonable, and it is hereby granted. As requested in its motion, the utility shall be allowed until June 27, 2000, to file proof of the transfer of the Signal Cove territory from the County to Hudson.

This docket shall remain open to allow Commission staff to verify that Hudson has filed proof of the transfer of the Signal Cove territory from the County to the utility. Once our staff has verified this information, this docket shall be closed administratively.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that Hudson Utilities, Inc.'s Motion for Extension of Time to File Proof of Transfer of Territory is hereby granted. It is further

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utility. Once Commission staff has verified this information, this docket shall be closed administratively.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this <u>2nd</u> day of <u>February</u>, <u>2000</u>.

BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Director

Division of Records and Reporting

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NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

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.

Any party adversely affected by the Commission's final action in this matter may request: 1) reconsideration of the decision by filing a motion for reconsideration with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, within fifteen (15) days of the issuance of this order in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code; or 2) judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility or the First District Court of Appeal in the case of a water and/or wastewater utility by filing a notice of appeal with the Director, Division of Records and reporting and filing a copy of the notice of appeal and the filing fee with the appropriate court. filing must be completed within thirty (30) days after the issuance of this order, pursuant to Rule 9.110, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure. The notice of appeal must be in the form specified in Rule 9.900(a), Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.