BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Investigation into ratemaking considerations of gain on sale from sale of facilities of Florida Water Services Corporation to Orange County.

DOCKET NO. 980744-WS
ORDER NO. PSC-00-1602-PCO-WS
ISSUED: September 7, 2000

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND ESTABLISHING NEW FILING DATES FOR PREFILED TESTIMONY, EXHIBITS, AND PREHEARING STATEMENTS

By Order No. PSC-00-1170-PCO-WS, issued June 27, 2000, a procedural schedule was established, setting forth the controlling dates for this docket. Due to the recent departure of Florida Water Services Corporation's (FWSC or utility) in-house counsel, responsibilities for numerous dockets involving FWSC, including the instant docket, have been assumed by the succeeding counsel for FWSC. Due to the substantial increase in work load, FWSC's counsel filed a motion on August 21, 2000 requesting additional time to meet with potential witnesses for the preparation of prefiled testimony and exhibits and to continue the transition and handling of Commission matters previously handled by FWSC's in-house counsel.

FWSC requests that the testimony and prehearing statement dates established in this docket be extended by 45 days. Because the requested extension of time is not opposed by any party and does not alter the prehearing and hearing dates established by Order No. PSC-00-1170-PCO-WS, the request is hereby granted. To reflect the new dates for prefiled testimony and exhibits, and prehearing statements, the procedural schedule set forth in Order No. PSC-00-1170-PCO-WS is hereby revised as follows:

1) Utility's direct testimony and exhibits

October 23, 2000

2) Intervenors' direct testimony and exhibits

November 13, 2000

3) Staff's direct testimony and exhibits, if any

December 4, 2000

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4) Rebuttal testimony and exhibits

December 26, 2000

5) Prehearing Statements

January 2, 2001

This Order is issued pursuant to the authority granted by Rule 28-106.211, Florida Administrative Code, which provides that the presiding officer before whom a case is pending may issue any orders necessary to effectuate discovery, prevent delay, and promote the just, speedy, and inexpensive determination of all aspects of the case.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by Commissioner E. Leon Jacobs, as Prehearing Officer, that Florida Water Service Corporation's Motion for Extension of Time is hereby granted. It is further

ORDERED that the filing dates for prefiled testimony and exhibits and prehearing statements established in Order No. PSC-00-1170-PCO-WS are modified as set forth in the body of this Order. Order No. PSC-00-1170-PCO-WS is affirmed in all other respects.

By ORDER of Commissioner E. Leon Jacobs as Prehearing Officer, this 7th day of September , 2000.

E. LEON JACOBS

Commissioner and Prehearing Officer

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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.

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.

Any party adversely affected by this order, which is preliminary, procedural or intermediate in nature, may request: (1) reconsideration within 10 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.0376, Florida Administrative Code, if issued by a Prehearing Officer; (2) reconsideration within 15 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code, if issued by the Commission; or (3) 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 or wastewater utility. A motion for reconsideration shall be filed with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code. Judicial review of a preliminary, procedural or intermediate ruling or order is available if review of the final action will not provide an adequate remedy. review may be requested from the appropriate court, as described above, pursuant to Rule 9.100, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.