

FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

VOTE SHEET

SEPTEMBER 26, 2000

RE: DOCKET NO. 971638-SU - Application for amendment of Certificate No. 226-S to add territory in Seminole County by Florida Water Services Corporation.

Issue 1: Should the Settlement Agreement and Bulk Wastewater and Reuse Service Agreement between FWSC and the City be approved and the withdrawal of FWSC's amendment application be acknowledged?


Recommendation: The Settlement Agreement, appended to staff's September 14, 2000 memorandum as Attachment A, should be approved as a reasonable resolution of this matter and the withdrawal of FWSC's amendment application should be acknowledged. The portions of the Settlement Agreement relating to bulk wastewater service proposed by the parties need not be ruled upon because the contemplated transaction between FWSC and the City results in a class of service which is exempt from the Commission's regulation pursuant to Section 367.022(12), Florida Statutes. For future ratemaking considerations, the utility's cost of providing bulk wastewater service to the City, including the interconnection costs, should not be subsidized by the jurisdictional customers. The revenues generated from the provision of bulk wastewater service to the City should not be considered in any proceedings before the Commission involving the utility.

COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: DS JC

COMMISSIONERS' SIGNATURES

MAJORITY

DISSENTING



REMARKS/DISSENTING COMMENTS:

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The Commission should note that the utility remains subject to its jurisdiction and regulation on all other matters including reclaimed water service. The utility should file a wastewater tariff sheet reflecting the reclaimed water class of service at a zero rate to the City of Longwood. In accordance with Rule 25-30.475, Florida Administrative Code, the rate should be effective for services rendered on or after the stamped approval date on the tariff sheets. In the event the utility agrees to provide reclaimed water service to other customers, the utility should return to the Commission for a determination regarding rates for reclaimed water service prior to providing that service to any other customers.

APPROVED

Issue 2: Should this docket be closed?

Recommendation: Yes. If the Commission approves staff's recommendation in Issue 1, no further action is required and the docket should be closed.

APPROVED