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#### **NOVEMBER 30, 2004**

RE: Docket No. 041176-WU - Application for approval of new class of service for private fire protection water service in Seven Springs system in Pasco County, by Aloha Utilities, Inc.

<u>Issue 1</u>: Should Aloha's request to establish a private fire protection water tariff for its Seven Springs service area be approved?

<u>Recommendation</u>: Yes. The utility's proposed tariff should be approved as filed. The utility should file a proposed customer notice to reflect the Commission-approved rates. The approved rates should be effective for service rendered on or after the stamped approval date of the tariff, pursuant to Rule 25-30.475(1), Florida Administrative Code, provided that the notice has been approved by staff. Within 10 days of the date the order is final, the utility should be required to provide notice of the new class of service in the Seven Springs service area to all current general service customers and to all persons who have filed a written request for general service, or who have been provided a written estimate for general service within the 12 calendar months prior to October 1, 2004. The utility should provide proof that the customers have received notice within 10 days after the date that the notice was sent. Further, pursuant to Rule 25-30.330(5), Florida Administrative Code, staff recommends that upon request of any customer Aloha should provide a copy or explanation of the utility's rates applicable to the customer's classification for service and to assist the customer in obtaining the rate which is most advantageous for the customer's service requirements.

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#### **COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: All Commissioners**

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Issue 2: Should this docket be closed?

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<u>Recommendation</u>: Yes. If no timely protest is filed, the docket should be closed upon the issuance of a Consummating Order and staff's verification of the utility's compliance with the noticing requirements. If a protest is filed within 21 days of the issuance of the Commission's Order, the tariff should remain in effect with all revenues held subject to refund pending resolution of the protest.

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