

VOTE SHEET

January 29, 2008

Docket No. 070466-SU – Application for limited proceeding rate increase in Polk County by West Lakeland Wastewater, Inc.

Issue 1: What is the appropriate increase in revenues for this utility?

Recommendation: The appropriate wastewater increase in revenues should be \$12,880, or 17.40%.

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Issue 2: What are the appropriate wastewater rates for West Lakeland Wastewater, Inc.?

Recommendation: The recommended rates should be designed to allow the utility the opportunity to generate additional revenues of \$12,880 for wastewater service. This results in a wastewater increase of \$3.58 per month, or approximately 17.40%, for the average residential customer. The utility should be required to file revised tariff sheets and a proposed customer notice to reflect the appropriate 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 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 tariff changes to all customers. The utility should provide proof the customers have received notice within 10 days after the date that the notice was sent.

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COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: All Commissioners

COMMISSIONERS' SIGNATURES

MAJORITY

DISSENTING

Handwritten signatures of majority commissioners: Ned A. ... Kalena J. McMurrin, ...

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REMARKS/DISSENTING COMMENTS:

Commissioner Argenziano participated in the conference by telephone. She agreed with/dissented from the majority vote and will sign the vote sheet upon return to the office.

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**Issue 3:** Should the recommended rates be approved for the utility on a temporary basis, subject to refund, in the event of a protest filed by a party other than the utility?

**Recommendation:** Yes. The recommended rates should be approved for the utility on a temporary basis, subject to refund, in the event of a protest filed by a party other than the utility. Prior to implementation of any temporary rates, the utility should provide appropriate security. If the recommended rates are approved on a temporary basis, the rates collected by the utility should be subject to the refund provisions discussed in the analysis portion of staff's memorandum dated January 16, 2008. In addition, after the increased rates are in effect, pursuant to Rule 25-30.360(6), F.A.C., the utility should file reports with the Commission's Division of Economic Regulation no later than the 20th of each month indicating the monthly and total amount of money subject to refund at the end of the preceding month. The report filed should also indicate the status of the security being used to guarantee repayment of any potential refund.

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**Issue 4:** Should this docket be closed?

**Recommendation:** If a protest is not received from a substantially affected person within 21 days of issuance of the Proposed Agency Action Order, a Consummating Order will be issued. If a Consummating Order is issued, the docket should be closed upon its issuance and upon staff's approval of the revised tariff sheets.

**APPROVED**