## BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Request for approval of amendment to tariff sheets for miscellaneous service charges in Polk County by Alturas Utilities, LLC DOCKET NO. 120288-WU ORDER NO. PSC-13-0064-PCO-WU ISSUED: January 29, 2013

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

RONALD A. BRISÉ, Chairman LISA POLAK EDGAR ART GRAHAM EDUARDO E. BALBIS JULIE I. BROWN

## ORDER SUSPENDING TARIFF

## BY THE COMMISSION:

Alturas Utilities, LLC (Alturas or Utility) is a Class C water utility serving approximately 65 water customers in Polk County. The area is located in the Southwest Florida Water Management District. The Utility's 2011 annual report indicates total gross revenue of \$26,350 and net operating loss of \$4,933.

On November 13, 2012, the Utility filed an application for approval of a tariff amendment to charge customers who opt to pay their water bill by debit or credit card. Alturas filed the tariff sheet for this request on November 28, 2012. We have jurisdiction pursuant to Section 367.091(6), Florida Statutes (F.S.).

Pursuant to Section 367.091(6), F.S., we may withhold consent to operation of any or all portions of new rate schedules by a vote to that effect within 60 days, giving a reason or statement of good cause for withholding its consent. We find that the tariff shall be suspended to allow sufficient time to review the application and gather all pertinent information necessary to reach an informed decision concerning the proposed tariff. This reason constitutes good cause to suspend the tariff consistent with the requirements of Section 367.091(6), F.S.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that Alturas Utilities, LLC's proposed tariff amendment to charge customers who opt to pay their water bill by debit or credit card shall be suspended. It is further

ORDERED that this docket shall remain open.

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By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this 29th day of January, 2013.

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Copies furnished: A copy of this document is provided to the parties of record at the time of issuance and, if applicable, interested persons.

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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; 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 or wastewater utility. A motion for reconsideration shall be filed with the Office of Commission Clerk, in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.0376, 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. Such review may be requested from the appropriate court, as described above, pursuant to Rule 9.100, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.