

FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Item 4

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Docket No. 130105-WS – Application for certificates to provide water and wastewater service in Hendry and Collier Counties, by Consolidated Services of Hendry & Collier, LLC.

Issue 1: What are the appropriate water and wastewater rates and return on investment for Consolidated Services?

Recommendation: Consolidated Services' water and wastewater rates shown on Schedule Nos. 1 and 2, respectively, of staff's memorandum dated February 23, 2017, are reasonable and should be approved. The approved rates should be effective for services rendered on or after the stamped approval date on the tariff sheets, pursuant to Rule 25-30.475, F.A.C. Consolidated Services should be required to charge the approved rates until authorized to change them by the Commission in a subsequent proceeding. A return on equity of 11.16 percent, with a range of plus or minus 100 basis points, should also be approved.

APPROVED

COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: All Commissioners

COMMISSIONERS' SIGNATURES

MAJORITY

DISSENTING

Donald Polunin

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REMARKS/DISSENTING COMMENTS:

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Issue 2: What are the appropriate service availability charges?

Recommendation: Consolidated Services' proposed service availability charges, as shown on Schedule Nos. 1 and 2 of staff's memorandum dated February 23, 2017, are reasonable and should be approved. The approved charges should be effective for connections made on or after the stamped approval date on the tariff sheets, pursuant to Rule 25-30.475, F.A.C. Consolidated Services should be required to collect its approved service availability charges until authorized to change them by the Commission in a subsequent proceeding.

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Issue 3: Should Consolidated Services' proposed miscellaneous service charges be approved?

Recommendation: Consolidated Services' proposed miscellaneous service charges should be approved and effective for services rendered on or after the stamped approval date on the tariff sheets, pursuant to Rule 25-30.475, F.A.C. Consolidated Services should be required to charge its approved miscellaneous service charges until authorized to change them by the Commission in a subsequent proceeding.

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Issue 4: Should Consolidated Services' request to implement a late payment charge be approved?

Recommendation: Consolidated Services' request to implement a late payment charge should be approved. Consolidated Services should be allowed to implement a late payment charge of \$5.00. The approved charge should be effective for services rendered on or after the stamped approval date on the tariff sheet, pursuant to Rule 25-30.475(1), F.A.C. Consolidated Services should be required to charge its approved late payment charge until authorized to change it by the Commission in a subsequent proceeding.

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Issue 5: Should Consolidated Services be authorized to collect Non-Sufficient Funds Charges (NSF)?

Recommendation: Consolidated Services should be authorized to collect NSF charges. Staff recommends the NSF charges currently set forth in Section 68.065, F.S., for Consolidated Services. The NSF charges should be effective on or after the stamped approval date on the tariff sheets, pursuant to Rule 25-30.475(1), F.A.C. Consolidated Services should be required to charge its approved NSF charge until authorized to change it by the Commission in a subsequent proceeding.

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Issue 6: What are the appropriate initial customer deposits for Consolidated Services' water and wastewater services?

Recommendation: Based on staff's recommended rates and estimated average residential demand, the appropriate initial customer deposits for the residential 5/8" x 3/4" meter size should be \$63 for water and \$54 for wastewater. The initial customer deposits for all other residential meter sizes and all general service meter sizes should be two times the average estimated bill for water and wastewater service. The approved initial customer deposits should be effective for connections made on or after the stamped approval date on the tariff sheet, pursuant to Rule 25-30.475, F.A.C. Consolidated Services should be required to collect its approved customer deposits until authorized to change it by the Commission in a subsequent proceeding.

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Issue 7: Should this docket be closed?

Recommendation: If no timely protest to the proposed agency action regarding initial rates and charges is filed with the Commission by a substantially affected person, a Consummating Order should be issued. This docket should be closed administratively upon issuance of a Consummating Order.

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