

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Annual Reestablishment of)	DOCKET NO. 910005-WS
Price Increase or Decrease Index of)	
Major Categories of Operating Costs)	ORDER NO. 24278
Incurred by Water and Sewer)	
Utilities Pursuant to Section)	ISSUED: 3/25/91
367.081(4), Florida Statutes)	

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

THOMAS M. BEARD, Chairman
 J. TERRY DEASON
 GERALD L. GUNTER
 MICHAEL MCK. WILSON

ORDER ESTABLISHING 1991 PRICE INDEX FOR WATER
AND WASTEWATER UTILITIES AND CLOSING DOCKET

BY THE COMMISSION:

Pursuant to Section 367.081(4)(a), Florida Statutes, this Commission is required to set a price increase or decrease index for major categories of operating costs on or before March 31 of each year. By Order No. 24022, issued January 24, 1991, this Commission proposed to use the change in the Gross National Product (GNP) Implicit Price Deflator Index to determine the 1991 water and wastewater utility price index. Order No. 24022 was to become final and effective on February 15, 1991, unless an appropriate petition for a formal proceeding was received by the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, by the close of business on February 14, 1991. No petition was received; therefore, Order No. 24022 became final and effective on February 15, 1991.

Because the GNP Price Deflator Index generally is not published until March of each year, by Order No. 24022, we established the method by which we intended to derive the 1991 price index. In the present Order, we establish the 1991 price index. We find that the change in the GNP Price Deflator Index for 1990, for use in the 1991 price index, was 4.04 percent. Therefore, the 1991 price index for water and wastewater utilities is 4.04 percent.

According to Rule 25-30.420(2), Florida Administrative Code, "[a]ny utility seeking to increase or decrease its rates based upon

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