BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Application for transfer of Viva Villas Sewer System to Hudson Utilities, Inc.; cancellation of Certificate No. 220-S; and amendment of Certificate No. 104-S in Pasco County. DOCKET NO. 900832-SU

ORDER NO. 24324

ISSUED: 4-3-91

ORDER GRANTING PETITION TO INTERVENE AND PROVIDING AN EXTENSION FOR INTERVENOR TO FILE TESTIMONY

BY THE COMMISSION:

By Petition filed April 1, 1991, Robert B. Pierce requests leave to intervene in this proceeding. Mr. Pierce is the Vice President of Viva Villas Civic Association, Inc. and a customer of Viva Villas Sewer System. In support of his Petition, Mr. Pierce states that the proposed transfer is not in the public interest; it would be financially favorable to be served by Pasco County; and Pasco County would be a more reliable and efficient provider of service. No response in opposition to the Petition has been filed.

Mr. Pierce has requested that he be granted Class B practioner status. Self-representation is not precluded by Rule 25-22.008, "Practioners", Florida Administrative Code. Therefore, we find it unnecessary to grant the request of Mr. Pierce for Class B practioner status in order for him to participate in this proceeding.

Having reviewed the Petition, it appears that Mr. Pierce's substantial interests may be affected by this proceeding. Therefore, the Petition should be granted. Pursuant to Rule 25-22.039, Florida Administrative Code, Mr. Pierce takes the case as he finds it. However, in the interest of fairness, extending the due date for filing Intervenor's Testimony and Rebuttal Testimony would be appropriate in this case. Therefore, Intervenor's Testimony is due Friday, April 5, 1991, and Rebuttal Testimony is due Wednesday, April 10, 1991.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the Petition to Intervene, filed by Robert B. Pierce, is hereby granted. It is further

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ORDERED that all parties to this proceeding shall furnish copies of all testimony, exhibits, pleadings and other documents that are hereinafter filed in this proceeding, to Robert B. Pierce, Vice-President, Viva Villas Civic Association, Inc., 8613 Bella Via, Hudson, Florida 34667. It is further

ORDERED that the request of Robert B. Pierce for Class B practioner status is hereby denied. Mr. Pierce will be permitted to represent himself. It is further

ORDERED that the due dates for filing Intervenor's Testimony and Rebuttal Testimony are hereby extended to April 5, 1991 and April 10, 1991, respectively.

By ORDER of Commissioner Gerald L. Gunter, as Prehearing Officer, this 3rd day of April , 1991

GERALD L. GUNTER, Commissioner and Prehearing Officer

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