VOTE SHEET

DATE: February 4, 1997

RE: DOCKET NO. ▮▮▮▮▮▮▮U - Application for limited proceeding increase in wastewater rates by Forest Hills Utilities, Inc. in Pasco County.

Issue 1:   Recommendation that the tariff request for emergency rates by Forest Hills be approved, subject to refund, until the Commission determines the appropriate final rates for the wastewater interconnection with Pasco County.   The tariffs filed by Forest Hills should be effective for service rendered on or after the stamped approval date on the tariff sheets pursuant to Rule 25-30.475(1), F.A.C., provided the customers have received notice. The rates should not be implemented until proper notice has been received by the customers.   The utility should provide proof of the date notice was given within 10 days after the date of the notice.   If, however, the Commission denies the tariff request for emergency rates, the tariff should be suspended pending final determination.

APPROVED

COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: Full Commission

COMMISSIONERS' SIGNATURES

MAJORITY   DISSENTING

REMARKS/DISSENTING COMMENTS:

PSC/RAR33(5/90)

Issue 2: Recommendation that the utility be required to file an escrow agreement to guarantee any potential refunds of wastewater revenues collected under the emergency rates. The utility should deposit in the escrow account each month the difference in revenue between the emergency rates and the previously approved rates. In addition, the escrow agreement should allow for withdrawals each month by the utility for payments to Pasco County for bulk wastewater service. Under no circumstances should the utility be allowed to withdraw any amount of monies except for payments to Pasco County for bulk wastewater service. Pursuant to Rule 25-30.360(6), F.A.C., the utility should provide a report by the 20th day of each month indicating in detail the total amount collected from its wastewater customers, the additional revenue collected through the emergency rates and the amount of the withdrawals to Pasco County, all on a monthly and total basis.

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