

DOCKET NO. 971524-WS

REQUEST TO ESTABLISH DOCKET

Date 11/18/97

- 1. Division Name/Staff Name Water and Wastewater/Cheryl Johnson
- 2. OPR Cheryl Johnson
- 3. OCR _____
- 4. Suggested Docket Title Disposition of Contribution-Aid-Of-Construction Gross in Funds Collected By Sunray Utilities, Inc. Nassau County

5. Suggested Docket Mailing List (attach separate sheet if necessary)

A. Parties (Provide names of regulated companies or use abbreviation from list below if Parties should include all regulated companies in one or more industries; provide names and addresses of nonregulated companies; provide names, addresses, and affiliation (i.e., attorney, company liaison officer, or customer of individual(s).)

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| _____ | <u>Sunray Utilities</u> |
| <u>Kelli L. Adkins</u> | <u>Kelli L. Adkins</u> |
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B. Interested Persons/Companies (Provide names, complete mailing addresses, and affiliation. Use abbreviation from list below if interested Persons should include all regulated companies in one or more industries.)

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REGULATED INDUSTRIES

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| Investor-Owned Electrics (EI) | Water Utilities (WU) |
| Electric Cooperatives (EC) | Local Exchange Telephone Cos. (TL) |
| Municipal Electrics (EM) | Interexchange Telephone Cos. (TI) |
| Gas Utilities (GU) | Coin-Operated Telephone Cos. (TC) |
| Wastewater Utilities (SU) | Shared Tenant Telephone Cos. (TS) |
| | Alternate Access Vendors (TA) |

6. Check One:

- Documentation attached.
- Documentation will be provided with recommendation.

Rayonier

Sunray Utilities - Nassau, Inc.
Sunray Utilities - St. Johns, Inc.

Subsidiaries of Rayonier

September 26, 1997

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Ms. Cheryl Johnson
Division of Water and Wastewater
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
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Division of Water and Wastewater

Re: Sunray Utilities - Nassau, Inc.'s 1996 CIAC Gross-up Report

Dear Ms. Johnson:

Attached is Sunray Utilities - Nassau, Inc.'s 1996 CIAC Gross-up Report and pro-forma federal income tax form 1120. I believe I have provided all of the requested information. In order to calculate above-the-line income, I followed staff's recommendation in our previous refund order. By taking the number of customers connected and dividing by plant capacity, I arrived at a 24.1% used and useful rate for 1996. This percentage can be derived using information provided on pages W-5 and S-5 of our 1996 Annual Report. The non-used and useful percentage was applied to operating costs and to total deductions (lines 2 and 27 in IRS Form 1120) to arrive at the below the line income (shown as non-jurisdictional on the CIAC Report). All revenue and the remaining costs are considered above the line.

Using these figures in the refund calculation model adopted by the Commission in Order No. PSC-92-0961-FOF-WS an under collection of \$497.86 occurred in 1995. Therefore, Sunray hereby requests that no refund of tax impact moneys collected in 1996 be ordered by the commission.

Please feel free to call me if you need any additional information or if I can offer further explanation or clarification of my assumptions or calculations.

Sincerely,



Sunray Utilities - Nassau, Inc.
By: Kelli L. Adkins
As Its: Accounting Manager

CALCULATION OF REFUND - SUNRAY UTILITIES - NASSAU, INC.

| | <u>1996</u> |
|---|------------------|
| Taxable CIAC (Line 7) | 21,855.18 |
| Less Above-the-Line loss (Line 15) | <u>0.00</u> |
| | 21,855.18 |
| Less first year's Depr. (Line 8) | <u>368.26</u> |
| Net Taxable CIAC | 21,486.92 |
| Effective state and federal tax rate | <u>38.57%</u> |
| Net Income tax on CIAC | 8,287.51 |
| Less ITC Realized | <u>0.00</u> |
| Net Income Tax | 8,287.51 |
| Expansion Factor for Gross-up Taxes | <u>1.627869</u> |
| Gross-up Required to pay tax effect | 13,490.97 |
| Less CIAC Gross-up collected (Line 19) | <u>12,993.11</u> |
| UNDER/(OVER) COLLECTED (excluding interest) | 497.86 |

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION PROVIDED WITH 1996 CIAC REPORT

Sunray Utilities - Nassau, Inc.

- 1) Actual above-the-line tax liability before the effect of CIAC is taken into consideration: \$21,977.50
- 2) Actual above-the-line tax liability after the effect of CIAC is taken into consideration: \$30,265.00
- 3) The amount of CIAC collected for the reporting period: \$23,455.18
- 4) The amount of gross-up collected for the reporting period: \$12,993.11
- 5) Calculation of the amount of over or under collection of CIAC gross-up:
Under collected \$497.85
- 6) The proposed amount of refund and interest: No proposed refund.
- 7) The proposed method of payment: Not applicable.

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