

BEFORE THE
FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

DOCKET NO. 20260130-WU

Request for establishment of a backflow
testing charge, meter tampering charge
and investigation of meter tampering charge,
by North Florida Community Water Systems.

PROCEEDINGS: COMMISSION CONFERENCE AGENDA
ITEM NO. 13

COMMISSIONERS
PARTICIPATING: CHAIRMAN GABRIELLA PASSIDOMO SMITH
COMMISSIONER GARY F. CLARK
COMMISSIONER MIKE LA ROSA
COMMISSIONER BOBBY PAYNE
COMMISSIONER ANA ORTEGA

DATE: Tuesday, October 6, 2026

PLACE: Betty Easley Conference Center
Room 148
4075 Esplanade Way
Tallahassee, Florida

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Public in and for the State
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1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 CHAIRMAN SMITH: Okay. Item No. 13. Ms.
3 McClelland.

4 MS. McCLELLAND: Good morning, Commissioners.
5 I am Kate McClelland with the Division of Economics
6 on behalf of Commission staff.

7 Item No. 13 is a petition by North Florida
8 Community Water Systems, or NFCWS, to establish a
9 backflow testing charge, meter tampering charge and
10 an investigation of meter tampering charge.

11 The DEP rule states that backflow prevention
12 devices are required for all cross connections and
13 must be tested at least biennially. Customers are
14 responsible for completing the required testing.

15 The proposed backflow testing charge would
16 allow the utility to conduct an annual inspection
17 in the event the customer has not complied.
18 Customers would be subject to disconnection of
19 service if they fail to comply.

20 In addition, NFCWS proposed a meter tampering
21 charge of actual cost, and an investigation of
22 meter tampering charge of \$68.86, which is
23 equivalent to the utility's existing premises visit
24 charge.

25 Staff has reviewed the proposed tariffs and

1 believes that they are appropriate. Staff
2 recommends that the Commission approve the
3 utility's proposed tariffs.

4 CHAIRMAN SMITH: Are there questions on Item
5 13?

6 A motion?

7 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Move staff
8 recommendation, Madam Chair.

9 COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: Second.

10 CHAIRMAN SMITH: Okay. I have a motion and a
11 second.

12 All those in favor, please say aye.

13 (Chorus of ayes.)

14 CHAIRMAN SMITH: Okay. See that Item 13
15 passes.

16 (Agenda item concluded.)

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DATED this 16th day of October, 2026.


DEBRA R. KRICK
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