BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Application for approval of the transfer of water and sewer facilities from TWIN COUNTY UTILITY COMPANY to SOUTHERN STATES UTILITIES. INC.

DOCKET NO. 881339-WS ORDER NO. 21836-A ISSUED: 10-19-89

The following disposition of this matter:

Commissioners participated in the

MICHAEL McK. WILSON, Chairman THOMAS M. BEARD BETTY EASLEY GERALD L. GUNTER JOHN T. HERNDON

NOTICE OF PROPOSED AGENCY ACTION

ORDER AMENDING ESTABLISHMENT OF RATE BASE

BY THE COMMISSION:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the Florida Public Service Commission that the action discussed herein is preliminary in nature and will become final unless a person whose interests are substantially affected files a petition for a formal proceeding pursuant to Rule 25-22.029, Florida Administrative Code.

BACKGROUND

21836, issued September 5, 1989, this By Order No. 21836, issued September 5, 1989, this Commission proposed to establish rate base for Twin County Utility Company at the time of its transfer to Southern States Utilities, Inc. and to impute certain service availability charges.

Subsequent to the issuance of Order No. 21836, it was brought to our attention that we inadvertently understated amortization of contributions-in-aid-of-construction (CIAC) by \$7,794 for water and \$22,892 for wastewater. This resulted in an understatement of rate base for both water and wastewater. In addition, we discovered that we inadvertently understated CIAC for wastewater by \$80 due to certain mechanical errors. Accordingly, we find it appropriate to amend Order No. 21836 to

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make the above-noted corrections. The results of these adjustments are a water rate base of \$2,071,398 and a wastewater rate base of \$(675,223), as of the date of the transfer. Our calculations of the appropriate water and wastewater rate bases are attached to this Order as Schedules Nos. 1 and 2, respectively, with our adjustments itemized on Schedule No. 3.

All other provisions of Order No. 21836 remain unaffected by this Order.

Based upon the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the provisions of this Order are issued as proposed agency action and will become final unless a person whose interests are substantially affected files a petition with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, 101 East Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0870, by the close of business on the date set forth in the "Notice of Further Proceedings or Judicial Review" attached hereto. It is further

ORDERED that Order No. 21836 is hereby amended to establish the appropriate water and wastewater rate bases, as of the date of the transfer, to be \$2,071,398 and \$(675,223), respectively. It is further

ORDERED that Schedules Nos. 1 through 3 are, by reference, expressly incorporated herein. It is further

ORDERED that all other provisions of Order No. 21836 remain unaffected by this Order.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this 19th day of OCTOBER , 1989.

> STEVE TRIBBLE, Director Division of Records and Reporting

(SEAL)

by: Kay Jeyns Chief, Bureau of Records

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NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.59(4), Florida Statutes, to notify parties of any administrative hearing or judicial review of Commission orders that is available under Sections 120.57 or 120.68, Florida Statutes, as well as the procedures and time limits that apply. This notice should not be construed to mean all requests for an administrative hearing or judicial review will be granted or result in the relief sought.

The action proposed herein is preliminary in nature and will not become effective or final, except as provided by Rule 25-22.029, Florida Administrative Code. Any person whose substantial interests are affected by the action proposed by this order may file a petition for a formal proceeding, as provided by Rule 25-22.029(4), Florida Administrative Code, in the form provided by Rule 25-22.036(7)(a) and (f), Florida Administrative Code. This petition must be received by the Director, Division of Records and Reporting at his office at 101 East Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0870, by the close of business on November 9, 1989

In the absence of such a petition, this order shall become effective on the day subsequent to the above date as provided by Rule 25-22.029(6), Florida Administrative Code, and as reflected in a subsequent order.

Any objection or protest filed in this docket before the issuance date of this order is considered abandoned unless it satisfies the foregoing conditions and is renewed within the specified protest period.

If this order becomes final and effective on the date described above, any party adversely affected may request judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility or by the First District Court of Appeal in the case of a water or sewer utility by filing a notice of appeal with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting and filing a copy of the notice of appeal and the filing fee with the appropriate court. This filing must be completed within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this order, pursuant to Rule 9.110, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure. The notice of appeal must be in the form specified in Rule 9.900(a), Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.