BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Application of SAILFISH POINT)
UTILITY CORPORATION for rate increase)
in Martin County)

DOCKET NO. 891114-WS ORDER NO. 22760 ISSUED: 4-2-90

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

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

ORDER GRANTING RECONSIDERATION AND APPROVING INTERIM MULTI-RESIDENTIAL RATES

BY THE COMMISSION:

BACKGROUND

Sailfish Point Utility Corporation, (Sailfish Point or utility) is a Class C utility located in Stuart, Florida. On December 18, 1989, the utility completed the minimum filing requirements for a general rate increase. In addition to its application for permanent rate relief, the utility requested interim rates for residential and general service which were approved as reflected by Order No. 22609, issued February 27, 1990.

On March 1, 1990, the utility submitted revised tariff pages to correspond to the approved interim rates. In addition to the tariff pages for residential and general service, Sailfish Point also filed revised tariff pages for multiresidential water and wastewater service. Since this Commission had not approved interim rates for multi-residential service, the Staff of this Commission (Staff) informed the utility that it could neither approve the tariffs nor the utility's application of its general service rates for multiresidential service. Staff suggested that, if the utility wanted interim rates for multi-residential service, it should request that this Commission reconsider its interim rate decision.

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

By letter dated March 8, 1990, Sailfish Point requested that we reconsider our previous decision on interim rates and approve an interim increase in water and wastewater rates for

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multi-residential service. Since our interim rate decision already accounts for the multi-residential information under the "general service" category, we believe that it is appropriate to reconsider that decision.

INTERIM RATES FOR MULTI-RESIDENTIAL SERVICE

As noted above, although Sailfish Point did not specifically request an interim increase in multi-residential rates, the information pertaining to multi-residential service was included in the billing analysis under the "general service" category. Since multi-residential and general service rates have always been the same for this utility, there was no detectable discrepancy in the billing analysis.

Since the multi-residential information has already been considered under general service, the proposed multi-residential rates will not alter the interim revenue increase allowed pursuant to Order No. 22609. We, therefore, approve the utility's proposed interim rate increase for multi-residential service.

Sailfish Point's current rates, those requested on an interim and final basis, and those rates approved herein are depicted below for the purpose of comparison.

MONTHLY WATER RATES

Multi-Residential Service

| | Current | Utility- Requested Interim | Utility- Requested Final | Commission Approved Interim |
|----------------------|----------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Base Facility Charge | | | | |
| Meter Size: | | 14 | w see here | |
| 5/8" x 3/4" | \$ 11.43 | \$ 28.00 | \$ 37.51 | \$ \$27.45 |
| 1" | 28.62 | 70.00 | 93.78 | 68.74 |
| 1-1/2" | 57.17 | 140.00 | 187.55 | 137.31 |
| 2" | 91.48 | 224.00 | 300.08 | 219.72 |
| 3 " | 182.96 | 448.00 | 600.16 | 439.44 |
| 4 " | 285.87 | 700.00 | 937.75 | 686.62 |
| 6" | 571.74 | 1,400.00 | 1,875.50 | 1,373.23 |
| Gallonage Charge, | | | | |
| per 1,000 gallons | \$2.04 | \$4.79 | \$6.42 | \$4.90 |

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The rates approved herein shall be effective for meter readings on or after thirty days from the stamped approval date on the revised tariff pages, subject to the utility's filing and Staff's approval of a revised customer notice. The utility's collection of the interim increase remains subject to the refund provisions outlined in Order No. 22609. We note that the utility has already filed the appropriate multi-residential tariff pages, as well as the security required by Order No. 22609.

Based upon the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that Sailfish Point Utility Corporation's request for reconsideration of Order No. 22609, with respect to multiresidential water and wastewater rates, is hereby granted. It is further

ORDERED that Sailfish Point Utility Corporation's request for approval of interim multi-residential water and wastewater rates is hereby approved. It is further

ORDERED that the multi-residential water and wastewater interim rates for Sailfish Point Utility Corporation shall be effective for meter readings on or after thirty days from the stamped approval date on the revised tariff pages. It is further

ORDERED that the increase over the last authorized multi-residential water and wastewater rates shall be collected subject to refund in accordance with Rule 25-30.360, Florida Administrative Code. It is further

ORDERED that, other than with regard to our approval of interim multi-residential water and wastewater rates, Order No. 22609 is affirmed in all other respects.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this 2nd day of APRIL , 1990.

STEVE TRIBBLE, Director

Division of Records and Reporting

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NOTICE OF 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.

Any party adversely affected by the Commission's final action in this matter may request judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility or 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 after the issuance 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.