

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Petition for Limited Proceeding to) Implement Water Conservation Plan in) Seminole County by Sanlando Utilities) Corporation.) Docket No.: 930256-WS

MOTION TO HOLD DOCKET NO. 930256-WS IN ABEYANCE PENDING COMMISSION'S RULING ON APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF REUSE PROJECT PLAN AND INCREASE FOR WASTEWATER RATES

SANLANDO UTILITIES CORPORATION ("Utility"), by and through its undersigned attorneys, files this Motion to hold Docket No. 930256-WS in abeyance pending Commission's ruling on Utility's Application for Approval of Reuse Project Plan and Increase for Wastewater Rates, and as ground therefore would state as follows:

 Utility operates its Wekiva wastewater system in Seminole County, Florida.

2. As long ago as 1990 Utility began evaluating its long-term method of effluent disposal and the possibility of reuse as a long-term alternative for its system based upon PSC Order No. 23809 requiring Utility to submit a plan detailing actions it would take to implement water conservation initiatives.

4. On July 10, 1992, FDEP issued Operating Permit Number D059-200447 EAG LEG 1 (the "Operating Permit") to Utility authorizing Utility to continue operating its Wekiva Wastewater treatment plant. Paragraphs 3 and 4 of the permit required Utility to enter into OPC preliminary discussions with Florida Public Service Commission Staff and Commissioners to DOCUMENT NUMBER-DATE WAS Flexible

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determine if the Public Service Commission ("Commission") would allow implementation of reuse water conservation rates to provide capital funding for the construction of necessary improvements to further treat and deliver reclaimed wastewater to three golf courses.

5. Ongoing discussions with interested parties have taken place since issuance of the Operating Permit about the proper funding methodology for construction of a reuse system in order to allow reuse of reclaimed water from Utility's existing wastewater system.

6. A stipulated agreement was entered into between Utility and interested parties in Docket No. 930256-WS which provided for construction of the reuse facility by a separate non-profit tax free entity, but due to United States Internal Revenue Department rulings and interpretations the terms of that stipulated agreement may not be capable of being performed.

7. Utility has determined that it will be in the best interests of Utility and the public to undertake the reuse project through the use of borrowed capital.

8. Utility wishes to recover the cost of such reuse project through wastewater rates in accordance with the authority granted under Sections 403.064 and 367.0817 (Florida Statutes 1996).

9. Rather than pursuing a full rate case to recover rates for the costs incurred due to the reuse project and to avoid incurring substantial additional rate case cost, Utility has chosen to file an Application for Approval of Reuse Project Plan and Increase for Wastewater Rates ("Utility's Application") and to submit its Reuse Project Plan and apply for a rate increase under the above referenced provisions of Florida Statutes, in order to recover these costs through wastewater rates.

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10. If the Commission approves Utility's Application, Docket No. 930256-WS will be moot.

11. For the foregoing reason, Docket No. 930256-WS should be held in abeyance until Utility's Application is approved or denied by the Commission. If approved, then Docket No. 930256-WS should be closed.

WHEREFORE, SANLANDO UTILITIES CORPORATION, respectfully requests that the Commission hold Docket No. 930256-WS in abeyance until Utility's Application for Approval of Reuse Project Plan and Increase for Wastewater Rates is approved or denied. If approved then Docket No. 930256-WS should be closed.

Respectfully submitted this 3 + 4 day of September, 1997, by:

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the original of the foregoing Motion has been furnished via U.S. Mail to Ms. Blanco S. Bayo, Director of Records and Reporting, Florida Public Service Commission, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850, and that true and correct copies have been furnished via U.S. Mail to Jack Shreve, Esquire, Public Counsel, 111 W. Madison Street, Room 812, Tallahassee, FL 32399-1400; Robert L. Taylor, Esquire, Curry, Taylor & Carls, 1900 Summit Tower Boulevard, Suite 800, Orlando, FL 32810; Nancy B. Barnard, Esquire and Jennifer L. Burdick, Esquire, Assistant General Counsel, St. Johns River Water Management District, Post Office Box 1429, Palatka, FL 32178-1429; Mr. Charles Lee, Senior Vice President, Florida Audubon Society, 460 Highway 436, Suite 200, Casselberry, FL 32707; Mr. Jack Hiatt, 1816 Wingfield Drive, Longwood, FL 32779; Mr. Robert E. Sweet, 106 Wyndham Court, Longwood, FL 32779; and Rosanne Gervasi, Esquire, Division of Legal Services, Florida Public Service Commission, 101 E. Gaines Street, Tallahassee, FL 32301, this 314 day of September, 1997.

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