

FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

VOTE SHEET

DECEMBER 2, 1997

RE: DOCKET NO. 971065-SU - Application for rate increase in Pinellas County by Mid-County Services, Inc.

Issue 1: Should the utility's proposed rates be suspended?

Recommendation: Yes. Mid-County's proposed wastewater rates should be suspended.

APPROVED

Issue 2: Should an interim revenue increase be approved?

Recommendation: Yes. On an interim basis, the utility should be authorized to collect the annual wastewater revenues indicated below:

	<u>Revenues</u>	<u>\$ Increase</u>	<u>% Increase</u>
Wastewater	\$1,177,611	\$264,009	28.90%

APPROVED

COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: Full Commission

COMMISSIONERS' SIGNATURES

MAJORITY

DISSENTING

[Handwritten signatures of majority commissioners]

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REMARKS/DISSENTING COMMENTS: Commissioner Clark participated in the vote via 2-way conference call. In her oral vote, she AGREED WITH THE MAJORITY ~~DISSENTED~~. Commissioner Clark will sign the original vote sheet upon her return to Tallahassee.

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Issue 3: What are the appropriate interim wastewater rates?

Recommendation: The interim rates for Mid-County should be designed to allow the utility the opportunity to generate additional annual operating revenues of \$264,009. The interim percentage increase should be applied to the rates in effect on December 31, 1996, after the four-year rate reduction is removed for the amortization of rate case expense from Docket No. 921293-SU, the utility's last rate case. The approved rates should be effective for service rendered on or after the stamped approval date on the tariff sheets pursuant to Rule 25-30.475(1), Florida Administrative Code, provided the customers have received notice. The utility should provide proof to staff of the date notice was given within 10 days after the date of notice, but no later than January 6, 1998.

APPROVED

Issue 4: What is the appropriate security to guarantee the interim increase?

Recommendation: The utility should be required to file a corporate undertaking to guarantee any potential refunds of wastewater revenues collected under interim conditions. The corporate undertaking should be in the amount of \$135,000. Pursuant to Rule 25-30.360(6), Florida Administrative Code, the utility should provide a report by the 20th of each month indicating the monthly and total revenue collected subject to refund. Should a refund be required, the refund should be with interest and undertaken in accordance with Rule 25-30.360, Florida Administrative Code.

MODIFIED

*, guaranteed by its parent corporation,
Utilities, Inc.,*