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## Public Service Commission

March 2, 1999

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Docket No. 980242-SU - Application for limited proceeding in wastewater rates by Re: Lindrick Service Corporation in Pasco County (data request)

Dear Ken:

We have revised the Case Assignment and Scheduling Record for this case and rescheduled the recommendation filing date to May 6, 1999 and rescheduled the Agenda date to May 18, 1999 to allow additional time to gather information required for processing this case. Staff requests that the utility respond to the following data request no later than April 2, 1999 to allow staff to meet the scheduled filing date and agenda date.

- 1. On page 2 of the original application, dated January 28, 1998, the utility listed three options for satisfying DEP's requirement. Provide estimated costs for options one and two.
- 2. During the customer meeting a representative for the City of New Port Richey addressed a proposed increase in the cost of purchased wastewater treatment. Provide documentation of the increase in cost and the proposed effective date.
- As done on page 7 of the revised application dated September 3, 1998, provide schedules of 3. purchased wastewater treatment costs and gallons treated and sold, using the proposed increase for 1998, 1999 and 2000. Actual gallons treated and sold should be used for 1998 through 1999 where available. Estimated gallons treated and sold should be used for the tu remainder of 1999 and 2000.
- Provide billing determinants for wastewater using actual numbers for 1998 and 1999 through 4. current date. Provide billing determinants for wastewater using estimated numbers for the remainder of 1999 and 2000.

- 5. Based on discussions at the customer meeting, it appears that some wastewater treatment plant will be retired and additional plant improvements will be required for Phase-2. Provide a schedule listing retirements and additional improvements for Phase-2. Also provide current information on lift station design and cost.
- 6. Produce copies of all services calls received by Lindrick during the last year from customers along with information concerning the response time and action taken.
- 7. Provide a list of all testing requirements with costs before and after the interconnection.
- 8. Provide a list of all operator requirements along with their cost for the plant / master lift station before and after the interconnection.
- 9. Provide the amount of flow reduction as a result of collection system improvements with supporting documentation for Phase-1 and Phase-2. This should include monthly wastewater flows and water sold for 1997, 1998 and first quarter of 1999.
- 10. Provide information indicating the life expectancy of the collection system repairs with supporting documentation.
- 11. Provide any additional documentation to support the Borda Engineers & Energy Consultants engineering cost requested after the interconnection.
- 12. Has the utility contacted DEP and inquired about getting an extension of the interconnection date contained in the consent order? If so, what were the results? If not, why not?
- 13. Has the utility contacted the City of New Port Richey and inquired about getting an extension of the interconnection date contained in the bulk Wastewater treatment agreement? If so, what were the results? If not, why not?

If you have any questions, please call Paulette Dewberry at (850) 413-6962 or Min Chu at (850) 413-6968.

Sincerely,

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