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RE: DOCKET NO. 960545-WS - Investigation of utility rates of Aloha Utilities, Inc. in Pasco County.

<u>Issue 1</u>: Should the Motion for Clarification filed by Aloha Utilities, Inc. be granted?

<u>Recommendation</u>: The motion should be granted in part and denied in part. The Commission should clarify the Order to make it clear that the utility should choose the best available treatment alternative to remove hydrogen sulfide. The fifth ordering paragraph should be amended to read as follows:

ORDERED that Aloha Utilities, Inc., shall immediately implement a pilot project using the best available treatment alternative to remove the hydrogen sulfide, thereby enhancing the water quality and diminishing the tendency of the water to produce copper sulfide in the customers' homes as set forth in the body of this Order.

While packed tower aeration is clearly an acceptable method, the Commission should not designate the specific treatment alternative. That choice should be made by the utility.

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<u>Issue 2</u>: What action, if any, should the Commission take on the July 22, 2000, letter from Mr. Edward Wood?

<u>Recommendation</u>: The Commission should take no action on Mr. Wood's letter.

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<u>Issue 3</u>: Should this docket be closed?

<u>Recommendation</u>: No. Pursuant to Order No. PSC-00-1285-FOF-WS, this docket should remain open until Aloha files its application to revise its service availability charges.

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