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April 22, 2008

Docket No. 070693-WS – Application for increase in water and wastewater rates in Lake County by Lake Utility Services, Inc.

<u>Issue 1</u>: Should the Utility's proposed final water and wastewater rates be suspended?

Recommendation: Yes. LUSI's proposed final water and wastewater rates should be suspended.

APPROVED

<u>Issue 2</u>: Should any interim revenue increases be approved?

<u>Recommendation</u>: Yes, the Utility should be authorized to collect annual water and wastewater revenues as indicated below:

	Adjusted Test		Revenue	
	Year Revenues	\$ Increase	Requirement	% Increase
Water	\$2,912,625	\$175,071	\$3,087,696	6.01%
		\$189,131	\$3,101,756	6.49%
Wastewater	\$869,985	\$387,582	\$1,257,567	<u>44.55%</u>
		\$329,679	\$1,199,664	37.89%

APPROVED, as revised.

COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: All Commissioners

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<u>Issue 3</u>: What are the appropriate interim water and wastewater rates?

Recommendation: The water and wastewater service rates for LUSI in effect as of June 30, 2007, should be increased by 6.09% 6.58% and 45.01% 38.28%, respectively, to generate the recommended revenue increase for the interim period. The approved rates should be effective for service rendered as of the stamped approval date on the tariff sheets, pursuant to Rule 25-30.475(1)(a), F.A.C. The rates should not be implemented until staff verifies that the tariff sheets are consistent with the Commission decision, the proposed customer notice is adequate, and the required security has been filed. The Utility should provide proof of the date notice was given within 10 days after the date of notice.

APPROVED, as revised.

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

Recommendation: A corporate undertaking is acceptable contingent upon receipt of the written guarantee of the parent company, Utilities, Inc. (UI), and written confirmation of UI's continued attestation that it does not have any outstanding guarantees on behalf of UI-owned utilities in other states. UI should be required to file a corporate undertaking on behalf of its subsidiaries to guarantee any potential refund of revenues collected under interim conditions. UI's total guarantee should be the amount of \$330,964 \$305,175. Pursuant to Rule 25-30.360(6), F.A.C., 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, F.A.C.

APPROVED, as revised

Issue 5: Should the docket be closed?

<u>Recommendation</u>: No. The docket should remain open pending the Commission's final action on the Utility's requested rate increase.

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