#### **VOTE SHEET**

#### July 14, 2009

**Docket No. 080695-WU** – Application for general rate increase by Peoples Water Service Company of Florida, Inc.

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

**Recommendation:** Yes. Peoples' proposed water rates should be suspended.

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COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: All Commissioners

#### **COMMISSIONERS' SIGNATURES**

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REMARKS/DISSENTING COMMENTS: Commissioner Argenziano participated in the conference by telephone. She will sign the vote sheet upon her return to the office.

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<u>Issue 2:</u> Should an interim revenue increase be approved?

**Recommendation:** Yes. On an interim basis, the Utility should be authorized to collect annual water revenues as indicated below:

	Adjusted Test Year		Revenue <u>Requirement</u>	
	Revenues	\$ Increase		% Increase
Water	\$3,066,128	\$284,028	\$3,350,156	9.26%

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**Issue 3:** What are the appropriate interim water rates?

Recommendation: The water service rates for Peoples in effect as of December 31, 2008, should be increased by 9.65 percent 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's decision, the proposed customer notice is adequate, and the required security discussed in Issue 4 has been filed. The Utility should provide proof of the date the customer notice was given within 10 days after the date of notice.

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

Recommendation: Peoples cannot support a corporate undertaking in the amount of \$165,852. The Utility should provide either an escrow agreement, a bond, or a letter of credit to guarantee the interim rates collected subject to refund. If the security provided is an escrow agreement, Peoples should deposit 9.26 percent of water revenues into the escrow account each month. If the security provided is a bond or letter of credit, said instrument should be in the amount of \$165,852. 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.

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**Issue 5:** Should this docket be closed?

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

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