

BEFORE THE  
FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

DOCKET NO. 150102-SU

APPLICATION FOR INCREASE IN  
WASTEWATER RATES IN CHARLOTTE  
COUNTY BY UTILITIES, INC. OF  
SANDALHAVEN.

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PROCEEDINGS:                    COMMISSION CONFERENCE AGENDA  
ITEM NO. 6

COMMISSIONERS  
PARTICIPATING:                COMMISSIONER LISA POLAK EDGAR  
COMMISSIONER RONALD A. BRISÉ  
COMMISSIONER JIMMY PATRONIS

DATE:                            Tuesday, April 5, 2016

PLACE:                          Betty Easley Conference Center  
Room 148  
4075 Esplanade Way  
Tallahassee, Florida

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## P R O C E E D I N G S

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2           **CHAIRMAN BROWN:** The next item is a panel  
3 which will be led by Commissioner Edgar. It's a  
4 panel comprised of Commissioner Edgar, Commissioner  
5 Brisé, and Commissioner Patronis. And I'll turn it  
6 over to her.

7           **COMMISSIONER EDGAR:** Thank you, Madam  
8 Chair.

9           **MS. BRUCE:** Good morning, Commissioners.

10          **COMMISSIONER EDGAR:** Good morning.

11          **MS. BRUCE:** I'm Sonica Bruce on behalf of  
12 Commission staff. Item No. 6 addresses the Office  
13 of Public Counsel and Sandalhaven's joint motion  
14 requesting Commission approval of a stipulation and  
15 settlement agreement.

16                 On January 6th, 2016, the Commission  
17 issued a PAA order granting the utility a rate  
18 increase. On January 27th, OPC filed a petition --  
19 a request for hearing. Sandalhaven filed a  
20 cross-petition for a formal administrative hearing  
21 on February 4. Sandalhaven placed the PAA rates  
22 into effect, subject to refund, with the exception  
23 of Allowance for Funds Prudently Invested charges.  
24 The utility maintained the AFPI charges that were in  
25 effect prior to the PAA order.

1           In the joint motion, which was filed on  
2 March 21, the parties agreed to the PAA order and  
3 its overall revenue requirement with the exception  
4 of the AFPI charges. They agree that the utility  
5 should continue to collect the AFPI charges that  
6 were in effect when the Commission obtained  
7 jurisdiction from Charlotte County.

8           Further, the parties agree that the  
9 protested issues of the PAA order should have no  
10 precedential effect or value and can be raised in  
11 any future rate case. Staff believes that the  
12 parties' settlement agreement is a reasonable  
13 resolution because it addresses all protested  
14 issues.

15           Since the issuance of the order, two  
16 customers filed comments regarding the rate  
17 increase. OPC are present. Staff is prepared to  
18 answer any questions that you may have at this time.

19           **COMMISSIONER EDGAR:** Thank you, Ms. Bruce.

20           As mentioned, this is a panel comprised of  
21 myself, Commissioner Brisé, and Commissioner  
22 Patronis. Commissioners, are there questions for  
23 staff?

24           **COMMISSIONER BRISÉ:** No questions, Madam  
25 Chair.

1                   **COMMISSIONER EDGAR:** Okay. Then there are  
2 two issues before us: the joint motion requesting  
3 Commission approval of the settlement agreement and  
4 to close the docket. Is there a motion?

5                   **COMMISSIONER BRISÉ:** Madam Chair, I move  
6 that we approve the item on all issues.

7                   **COMMISSIONER EDGAR:** Thank you.

8                   **COMMISSIONER PATRONIS:** Second.

9                   **COMMISSIONER EDGAR:** And there is a motion  
10 and a second on staff recommendation. All in favor,  
11 say aye.

12                   (Vote taken.)

13                   Show it adopted unanimously. Thank you  
14 very much. Thank you, Commissioners.

15                   Madam Chair, back to you to close the  
16 meeting.

17                   **CHAIRMAN BROWN:** Thank you, Commissioner  
18 Edgar.

19                   We will be reconvening in the Internal  
20 Affairs room in ten minutes, so we will see you  
21 then. And this adjourns the meeting. Thank you so  
22 much.

23                   (Agenda item concluded.)

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