FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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Docket No. 20240121-WU – Application for grandfather certificate to operate water utility in Columbia County by Consolidated Water Works, Inc.

<u>Issue 1:</u> Should Consolidated Water Works, Inc.'s application for a grandfather water certificate in Columbia County be acknowledged?

<u>Recommendation</u>: Yes. Consolidated's application should be acknowledged and the Utility should be granted Certificate No. 693-W, effective May 16, 2024, to serve the territory described in Attachment A of staff's memorandum dated April 24, 2025. The resultant order should serve as Consolidated's certificate and should be retained by the Utility.

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COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: All Commissioners

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Issue 2: What rates, charges, and deposits should be approved for Consolidated Water Works, Inc.? **Recommendation:** Of the Utility's rates, charges, and deposits that were approved by Columbia County and in effect when Columbia County transferred jurisdiction to the Commission, the rates, charges, and initial customer deposit shown on Schedule No. 1 of staff's memorandum dated April 24, 2025 are appropriate and should be approved. In addition, the Utility's existing Violation Reconnection Charge and Premise Visit Charge should be approved. These charges, as well as the rate, charges, and initial customer deposit shown in Schedule No. 1, should be effective for service rendered or connections made on or after the stamped approval date on the tariff sheets pursuant to Rule 25-30.475, F.A.C. The Utility should be required to charge the approved Violation Reconnection Charge and Premise Visit Charge, as well as the rates, charges, and initial customer deposit shown in Schedule No. 1 until authorized to change them by the Commission in a subsequent proceeding.

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Issue 3: What are the appropriate miscellaneous service charges for Consolidate Water Works, Inc.? **Recommendation:** With the exception of the Utility's existing Violation Reconnection Charge and Premise Visit Charge (which are approved in Issue 2), no other miscellaneous service charge should be approved. The appropriate miscellaneous service charges are shown on Table 3-2 of staff's memorandum dated April 24, 2025. The Utility should be required to file a proposed customer notice to reflect the Commission-approved charges. The approved charges should be effective for service rendered or connections made on or after the stamped approval date on the tariff sheet pursuant to Rule 25-30.475, F.A.C. In addition, the tariff sheets will be approved upon staff's verification that the tariffs are consistent with the Commission's decision and that the proposed customer notice is adequate.

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Issue 4: Should this docket be closed?

Recommendation: No. If no person whose substantial interests are affected by the proposed agency action portion of this recommendation files a protest within 21 days of the issuance of the order, a consummating order should be issued. The docket should remain open for staff's verification that the revised tariff sheets and customer notice have been filed by the Utility and approved by staff. Once this action is complete, this docket should be closed administratively.

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