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BEFORE THE  
FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

DOCKET NO. 20260015-WU

Joint motion requesting Commission  
approval of settlement agreement by  
the Office of Public Counsel and  
Leighton Estates Utilities, LLC.

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PROCEEDINGS: COMMISSION CONFERENCE AGENDA  
ITEM NO. 3

COMMISSIONERS  
PARTICIPATING: CHAIRMAN GABRIELLA PASSIDOMO SMITH  
COMMISSIONER GARY F. CLARK  
COMMISSIONER MIKE LA ROSA  
COMMISSIONER ANA ORTEGA  
COMMISSIONER BOBBY PAYNE

DATE: Tuesday, March 3, 2026

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

REPORTED BY: DEBRA R. KRICK  
Court Reporter and Notary  
Public in and for the State  
of Florida at Large

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## 1 PROCEEDINGS

2 CHAIRMAN SMITH: All right. Moving to Item  
3 No. 3, which I believe includes an oral  
4 modification. Ms. Gatlin, yes, you are recognized.

5 MS. GATLIN: Good morning, Chairman Smith and  
6 Commissioners. I am Cassie Gatlin with the  
7 Division of Accounting and Finance.

8 Item 3 is staff's recommendation regarding the  
9 proposed settlement agreement addressing potential  
10 overearnings by Leighton Estates Utilities, LLC.

11 Based on staff's review of Leighton Estates'  
12 2024 annual report, potential overearnings were  
13 identified. On January 29th of 2026, Leighton  
14 Estates and OPC filed a joint motion requesting  
15 Commission approval of a settlement agreement. The  
16 proposed settlement provides for an 11.6 reduction  
17 to the utility's base facilities and gallonage  
18 charges. In addition, customers will receive  
19 refunds equal to 11.6 percent of water revenues  
20 billed from January 1st, 2026, through the  
21 effective date of the rate reduction.

22 An oral modification was approved to correct  
23 the base facility charge by meter size and the bill  
24 comparisons reflected on schedule number one, page  
25 six of the recommendation. The oral modification

1           has been placed in the docket file.

2           Thank you.

3           CHAIRMAN SMITH: Thank you, Ms. Gatlin.

4           Commissioners, any discussion?

5           A motion?

6           COMMISSIONER CLARK: Move to approve, Madam

7           Chairman.

8           COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: Second.

9           CHAIRMAN SMITH: All right. Hearing a motion  
10          and hearing a second.

11          All those in favor please say aye.

12          (Chorus of ayes.)

13          CHAIRMAN SMITH: Any opposed?

14          (No response.)

15          CHAIRMAN SMITH: All right. See that Item 3,  
16          including that oral modification, passes. Thank  
17          you.

18          (Agenda item concluded.)

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CERTIFICATE OF REPORTER

STATE OF FLORIDA     )  
COUNTY OF LEON     )

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DATED this 9th day of March, 2026.



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