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BEFORE THE
FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

DOCKET NO. 20250084-SU

Application for staff-assisted rate
case in Orange County, by Gulfstream
Utility LLC.

PROCEEDINGS: COMMISSION CONFERENCE AGENDA
ITEM NO. 6

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

DATE: Tuesday, April 7, 2026

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

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

2 CHAIRMAN SMITH: Okay. We are going to move
3 to Item No. 6.

4 Ms. Thompson, you are recognized to introduce
5 the item whenever you are ready.

6 MS. THOMPSON: Takira Thompson with Commission
7 staff.

8 Item 6 is staff's recommendation regarding the
9 application for a staff-assisted rate case by
10 Gulfstream Utility, LLC. Gulfstream is a Class C
11 wastewater utility in Orange County serving
12 approximately 965 residential customers. Based on
13 your review of the utility's data for the test
14 year, staff is recommending a revenue requirement
15 increase of 72.43 percent, or \$114,391 annually.

16 A customer meeting was held on January 13th,
17 2026, and one customer provided comments.
18 Additionally, six customers filed comments in the
19 docket.

20 Mr. Wharton, on behalf of the utility, as well
21 as Commission staff are available for questions,
22 and one individual would like to address the
23 Commission on this item.

24 CHAIRMAN SMITH: Thank you, Ms. Thompson.
25 Yes, we do have a Gulfstream customer Mr.

1 Marozzi, you can come to the podium and you are
2 recognized whenever you are ready.

3 PUBLIC COMMENT

4 MR. MAROZZI: Good day, Commissioners. My
5 name is Douglas Marozzi. I am a Ninth District
6 constituent, and I am here to establish that
7 Gulfstream Utilities has failed to meet their proof
8 of burden to justify this proposed increase in the
9 rate on Docket No. 20250084-SU.

10 First, this rate application relies on a test
11 year. The usage of data is legally defective. My
12 personal ledger for Lot 1267 exposes electronic
13 meters failing to transmit.

14 In February of '26, my water bill was \$1.51.
15 That's a physical impossibility. The next month,
16 the bill was 1,400 percent explosion to \$23.33.
17 Now, I know this from personal experience, this is
18 not the first time that this has happened, and it
19 won't be the last.

20 Now, Florida Admin Code 25-30.340 prohibits
21 catching -- catch-up billing spikes after hardware
22 failure -- excuse me. They must be a reasonable
23 estimate based on past usage, so regularity
24 systemic and illegal, I know three people with lots
25 receiving identical 2,000 gallon placeholders for

1 12 consecutive months, and I have a set of cards
2 here.

3 Florida Admin Code 25-30.335 prohibits
4 estimated bills for more than four times in a
5 12-month period. They exceeded this by 300
6 percent. This issue was a failure, and they did
7 not issue the mandatory written warnings after the
8 second estimate. I want to demand an independent
9 audit for water meters, billing systems and all
10 placeholders, estimate bills and catch-up billing
11 spikes.

12 Third, the utility cannot legally establish
13 rate base. Florida Admin Code 25-30.435 requires
14 significant data for revenue requirements. In
15 2020, Gulfstream admitted to PCS that they lacked
16 records, maps claims that there are 234 in park
17 one, 285 in park three, homes that are on private
18 plant despite phase perspective one stating Orange
19 County sewer. I say there is no flow, no smoke
20 test, no physical verification.

21 Florida Statute 367.081(2)(a) demands proof of
22 property used and useful. They have none. This
23 rate case can't rest on fabricated test year data,
24 illegal estimate billing, unverifiable customer
25 base. I ask you to dismiss this defective

1 application.

2 The third-party physical audit of a meter
3 billing system and connecting Gulfstream holding
4 Gulfstream harbor -- I am sorry, Gulfstream
5 Utilities accountable for under the law. This
6 evidence speaks for itself.

7 I thank you. I appreciate your time.

8 CHAIRMAN SMITH: Thank you, Mr. Marozzi.

9 Commissioners, do we have any questions?
10 Thank you very much for making the trip here.

11 MR. MAROZZI: A little bit nervous, but okay.

12 CHAIRMAN SMITH: I understand.

13 Okay. We will go to the utility next. Mr.
14 Wharton, do you have any comments?

15 MR. WHARTON: Only to the extent that we will
16 follow up, and we will see what the issue is and
17 what we can do to help. We certainly will do that.

18 CHAIRMAN SMITH: Okay. Thank you.

19 Staff, any follow-up comments?

20 Okay. Seeing none, so, Commissioners,
21 anything?

22 All right. Well, I will just say, yeah, I
23 appreciate the utility following up on that. I
24 don't know if it's appropriate for, you know, our
25 staff to be included in that as well, so make sure

1 that we also know that's being handled. I am not
2 saying I don't trust you, just, you know, that
3 way --

4 MR. WHARTON: I don't think it's
5 inappropriate.

6 CHAIRMAN SMITH: Okay. So, yeah, if you can
7 keep our staff appraised of you following up, that
8 would be just my request.

9 Okay. Is there a motion then?

10 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Move to approve staff
11 recommendation on all items, Madam Chair.

12 CHAIRMAN SMITH: Thank you.

13 All right. Hearing a motion, and hearing a
14 second.

15 All those in favor, please say aye.

16 (Chorus of ayes.)

17 CHAIRMAN SMITH: Any opposed?

18 (No response.)

19 CHAIRMAN SMITH: Seeing none, so Item No. 6
20 passes. Thank you.

21 All right. Nine next item is Item 8, which is
22 a panel consisting of Commissioners Clark, La Rosa
23 and myself. We are going to take five-minute break
24 to let all the parties get reshuffled. We will be
25 back at 10:55, then.

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Thank you.
(Agenda item concluded.)

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