RESOLUTION NO. 2010-R-44

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING SECTION 367.082, FLORIDA STATUTES, AS A MINIMUM STANDARD **REGULATION**, OF AND ADOPTING THE **PROVISIONS OF SAID STATUTE AS A RULE OF** THE BOARD FOR THE **PURPOSES** OF REGULATING **INVESTOR-OWNED** WATER. WASTEWATER, AND EFFLUENT **RE-USE** SYSTEMS IN COLUMBIA COUNTY

WHEREAS, On May 3, 2007, the Board of County Commissioners of Columbia County enacted Ordinance No. 2007-15, asserting jurisdiction within Columbia County over investor-owned water, wastewater, and effluent re-use systems, as authorized by Chapter 367, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 2007-15 was filed with the Florida Department of State and thereby became effective on May 11, 2007; and

WHEREAS, by its own Order, the Florida Public Service Commission acknowledged rescission of its jurisdiction on that date; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Columbia County desires to adopt certain minimum standards of rate regulation as contemplated by s. 367.171(6), Florida Statutes, including the interim rate setting provisions of section 367.082, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the County wishes to make the procedure for establishing interim rates available to investor-owned utilities in the manner provided in section 367.082, Florida Statutes, upon filing by such utilities of the minimum filing requirements set forth in Ordinance 2007-15.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF COLUMBIA COUNTY AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Pursuant to section 367.171(6), Florida Statutes, the Board of County Commissioners of Columbia County adopts and shall follow as minimum standards of regulation the provisions of section 367.082, Florida Statutes, authorizing the setting of interim rates, except that the word "commission" shall be read as "the board of county commissioners" when the context implies or admits.

Section 2. The provisions of section 367.082, Florida Statutes, shall be a Rule of the Board as defined in Ordinance No. 2007-15, and shall by reference automatically include all amendments to section 367.082, Florida Statutes, as the Florida Legislature may from time to time enact without inserting any such amendment in the Rule.

Section 3. The Rule shall be effective immediately.

Adopted this 7th day, October, 2010.

COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Ronald Williams, Chairman

ATTEST: