

RESOLUTION NO. 99-132

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, REQUIRING PAYMENT OF A TWO AND ONE-HALF PERCENT (2 1/2%) REGULATORY FEE FROM PRIVATELY OWNED WATER AND SEWER UTILITIES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Rules and Regulations of the St. Johns County, Florida, Utility Authority as adopted by Ordinance 97-8, as amended, allow a regulatory fee up to four and one-half percent (4 1/2%) of each Utility's gross revenue derived from operations within St. Johns County to be charged to each Utility, and for each Utility to collect such fee from its customers, and a minimum regulatory fee of \$25.00 per annum,

WHEREAS, Ordinance 97-8, as amended, allows the Board of County Commissioners to change the amount of the fee, or suspend collection, from time to time by passage of a resolution,

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners, by resolution, has previously suspended the collection of regulatory fees from October 1, 1995 through the first billing cycle of each Utility following September 30, 1999 (the last being Resolution No. 98-120).

WHEREAS, the regulatory fees collected prior to October 1, 1995 are not sufficient to continue to pay for the ongoing cost of supervising and regulating Utilities in the County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida, as follows:

SECTION 1. The suspension of the regulatory fee provided by Resolution No. 98-120 shall continue in effect up to, but not including, the date of commencement of the first full billing cycle of each Utility occurring on or after January 1, 2000.

SECTION 2. A regulatory fee of two and one-half percent (2 1/2%) of each Utility's gross revenue derived from operations within St. Johns County is hereby imposed, and shall be collected by each Utility from its customers, and paid over to St. Johns County, for the time period beginning with the date of commencement of the first full billing cycle of each Utility occurring on or after January 1, 2000, and the fee shall continue to be collected and paid to St. Johns County until such time as the regulatory fee may be change by subsequent Resolution of the Board.

SECTION 3. If a Utility does not have customers, such Utility shall pay a minimum regulatory fee of \$25.00 per annum to St. Johns County.

SECTION 4. This Resolution shall take effect on its passage.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 21st day of September 1999 by the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA**

BY: Mark A. Javalone
Its Chairman

ATTEST: CHERYL STRICKLAND, CLERK

BY: Patricia DeGrande
Deputy Clerk