

**GOVERNMENT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS
OF THE
UNITED STATES**

PUBLIC SERVICES COMMISSION

IN RE APPLICATION OF VIRGIN ISLANDS)	
ISLANDS WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY)	Docket No. 554
FOR APPROVAL OF ENVIRONMENTAL USER)	
FEE AND WASTEWATER USER FEE)	Order No. 35/2007
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ORDER

WHEREAS, this Docket was commenced in 2004, following the passage of Act No. 6638 and the creation of the Virgin Islands Waste Management Authority; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature assigned the Public Services Commission responsibility for regulating the rates of the Waste Management Authority as the Environmental User Fee and the Wastewater User Fee (“WUF”); and

WHEREAS, on March 30, 2007, the Waste Management Authority filed its application for approval of proposed Environmental User Fees and Wastewater User Fees, and supporting information, including:

- An Environmental User Fee Study, attached as Exhibit A to the Application;
- A List of Additional Fees, attached as Exhibit B to the Application;
- Proposed Tariffs for each fee, attached as Exhibit C to the Application.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 24 of Title 30, Virgin Islands Code, the Commission has the authority to suspend requested rates for a period not to exceed eight (8) months: and

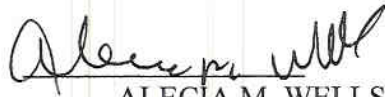
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WHEREAS, at the Commission meeting in late May, or the next meeting thereafter, the Commission anticipates the appointment of a hearing examiner and a technical consultant in this matter;

NOW THEREFORE, the Commission hereby orders:

1. The requested tariffs contained in the application for approval of proposed Environmental User Fees and Wastewater User Fees are suspended for the maximum time permitted by law. Nothing in this order is to be construed to affect previously existing and authorized rates and tariffs.
2. At the next Commission meeting occurring on or after May 24th, 2007, the Commission will consider the appointment of a Technical Consultant to advise the Commission on these new types of tariffs.
3. The Commission staff is directed to contact potential hearing examiners, and the Executive Director is authorized to select a hearing examiner. The selected Hearing Examiner shall report his or her recommendations to the Commission as expeditiously as practicable.

Dated: April 30, 2007
Nunc Pro Tunc


ALECIA M. WELLS
Chairwoman