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TO: DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING

FROM: DIVISION OF LEGAL SERVICES (SAGER)

RE: DOCKET NO. 941044-WS - Resolution of Board of Commissioners of Charlotte County declaring Charlotte County subject to provisions of Chapter 367, Florida Statutes - Request for exemption for provision of water and wastewater service by PARADISE PARK CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC.

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Attached is an Order Indicating the Exempt Status of Paradise Park Condominium Association, Inc., to be issued in the abovereferenced docket. (Number of pages in Order - 3)

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cc: Division of Water and Wastewater (Coker)

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## BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Resolution of Board of Commissioners of Charlotte County declaring Charlotte County subject to provisions of ) Chapter 367, Florida Statutes -) Request for exemption for provision of water and 1 wastewater service by PARADISE ) PARK CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, ) INC. ]

) DOCKET NO. 941044-WS ) ORDER NO. PSC-95-0694-FOF-WS ) ISSUED: June 12, 1995

## ORDER INDICATING THE EXEMPT STATUS OF PARADISE PARK CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC.

BY THE COMMISSION:

On January 30, 1995, Paradise Park Condominium Association, Inc., (Paradise Park) filed a request for recognition of its exempt status for its water and wastewater facilities, pursuant to Section 367.022(7), Florida Statutes. Paradise Park is located at 46900 Bermont Road, Punta Gorda, Florida. Mr. Peter W. Bennett, park supervisor and primary contact person, filed the application on behalf of Paradise Park.

Upon request and sufficient proof, the Commission will issue an order indicating the nonjurisdictional or exempt status of water or wastewater systems if they qualify under the appropriate provision of Chapter 367, Florida Statutes. The application was filed in accordance with Section 367.022(7), Florida Statutes.

Section 367.022(7), Florida Statutes, states that nonprofit corporations, associations, or cooperatives providing service solely to members who own and control such nonprofit entities are exempt from Commission regulation. Before an exemption of this nature may be granted, the applicant requesting the exemption must file with the Commission a statement specifying the following: that the corporation is nonprofit, that is, it provides service solely to its members who own and control it whether it provides water service, wastewater service, or both; who does its billing; and it must provide its service ter: itory. Additionally, the applicant must submit its Articles of Incorporation as filed with the Secretary of State and its Bylaws. These documents must show clearly the requirements of membership, the members' voting rights, and the circumstances under which control passes to the nondeveloper members.

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In its application, Paradise Park states that it is a nonprofit corporation organized pursuant to Chapters 617 and 718, Florida Statutes; that it provides service solely to its members who own and control it; and that it provides water service for which it does its own billing. Paradise Park's service area is located at 46900 Bermont Road, Punta Gorda, Florida. Pursuant to Chapter 718, Florida Statutes, Paradise Park has provided an Amended Declaration of Condominium of Paradise Park and its By-Laws, as well as a recorded Final Judgment showing the requirements for memberships and that the members' voting rights are one vote per unit of ownership. Control of the corporation has already passed to the members of the condominium. Further, these documents show that ownership of the condominium has been submitted to the condominium form of ownership, thereby establishing proof of ownership of the facilities and continued use of the land where the facilities are located.

In addition, pursuant to Section 837.06, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-30.060(2)(f), Florida Administrative Code, anyone knowingly making a false statement in writing with the intent to mislead ic guilty of a misdemeanor. By signing the application, Paradise Park acknowledged that it is aware of Section 837.06, Florida Statutes, and the penalties for making false statements in the application.

Based upon the facts as represented, we find that Paradise Park is exempt from Commission regulation pursuant to the provisions of Section 367.022(7), Florida Statutes. However, should there be any change in circumstances or method of operation, a representative of Paradise Park must inform the Commission within thirty days of such change, so that we may reevaluate its exempt status.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that, based upon the facts as represented, Paradise Park Condominium Association, Inc., 46900 Bermont Road, Punta Gorda, Florida 33982, is hereby exempt from Commission regulation pursuant to the provisions of Section 367.022(7), Florida Statutes. It is further

ORDERED that should there be any change in circumstances or method of operation, a representative of Paradise Park Condominium Association, Inc., shall inform the Commission within thirty days of such change so that its exempt status may be reevaluated. It is further

ORDERED that this docket shall remain open.

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By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this <u>12th</u> day of <u>June</u>, <u>1995</u>.

BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Director Division of Records and Reporting

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## NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.59(4), Florida Statutes, to notify parties of any administrative hearing or judicial review of Commission orders that is available under Sections 120.57 or 120.68, Florida Statutes, as well as the procedures and time limits that apply. This notice should not be construed to mean all requests for an administrative hearing or judicial review will be granted or result in the relief sought.

Any party adversely affected by the Commission's final action in this matter may request: 1) reconsideration of the decision by filing a motion for reconsideration with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting within fifteen (15) days of the issuance of this order in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code; or 2) judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility or the First District Court of Appeal in the case of a water and/or wastewater utility by filing a notice of appeal with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting and filing a copy of the notice of appeal and the filing fee with the appropriate court. This filing must be completed within thirty (30) days after the issuance of this order, pursuant to Rule 9.110, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure. The notice of appeal must be in the form specified in Rule 9.900 (a), Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.