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Re: Docket No. 971065-SU - Application for rate increase in Pinellas County by Mid-County Services, Inc.

Dear Mr. Melson:

After review of Mid-County Services, Inc. (Mid-County or utility)'s application for rate increase and minimum filing requirements (MFRs), a need for additional information vital to proceeding with this PAA case was apparent. Staff requests the company supply the following information:

1. Please define the term "customer" as it appears on Schedules B-8 and E-3 of the utility's MFRs.
2. Please explain whether the customers referred to in the allocations on Schedule B-8 of the utility's MFRs, are the same customers which are referred to on Schedule E-3 of the utility's MFRs.
3. There appears to be a discrepancy in the utility's MFRs between the number of bills issued on Schedule E-2, the number of customers on Schedule E-3, and the number of ERCs on Schedule F-7. Please provide a reconciliation of these numbers.
4. Referring to the salary expenses listed on Schedule B-6:
 - (A) Please identify which dollar amounts represent Mid-County personnel and which are allocated?
 - (B) Of the allocated amounts, please identify the amount in dollars allocated from each source.

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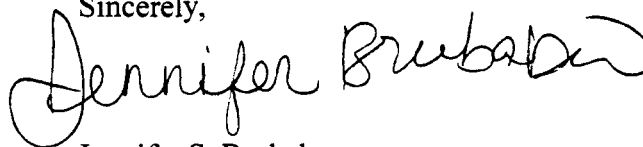
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(C) Please explain the basis for these allocations.

Staff's recommendation is currently scheduled to be filed by February 26, 1998. As time is of the essence in order to allow sufficient time for staff to analyze the data requested, we are requesting that responses to the above questions be provided, on an expedited basis, by January 28, 1998. We also request that the responses be provided on an earlier, piecemeal basis, to the extent possible. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (904) 413-6228 or Mr. Barry Davis at (904) 413-6437.

Sincerely,



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Staff Counsel

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