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Public Service Commission

September 4, 1998

Mr. Michael Rich, President Coalition for Responsible Econlockhatchee Development, Inc. P.O. Box 621047 Oviedo, Florida 32762

Re:

Docket No. 980657-WS - Application for amendment of Certificates Nos. 279-W and 226-S to add territory in Seminole County by Florida Water Services Corporation.

Dear Mr. Rich:

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If you have any questions, please contact me at (850) 413-6199. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Lila A. Jaber, Chief

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Division of Legal Services

LAJ/lw/dr

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Public Service Commission

September 4, 1998

Mr. Randall Morris Seminole County Board of Commissioners 1101 E. 1st Street Sanford, Florida 32771

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September 4, 1998

Martin S. Friedman, Esquire Rose, Sundstrom & Bentley 2548 Blairstone Pines Drive Tallahassee, Florida 32301

Re:

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September 4, 1998

Mr. Stanley E. Stevens 377 River Woods Trail Chuluota, Florida 32766

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Public Service Commission

September 4, 1998

Mr. Charles K. Smith, P.E. City of Oviedo 400 Alexandria Boulevard Oviedo, Florida 32765

Re:

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Matthew J. Feil, Esquire 1000 Color Place Apopka, Florida 32703-7797

Re:

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