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November 17, 1998

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Re: In re: Application by Rampart Utilities, Inc.  
Docket Number 980888-SU

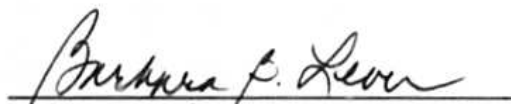
Dear Ms. Bayo:

On behalf of Rampart Utilities, Inc., and based upon the enclosed correspondence from Charlotte Engineering and Surveying, Inc., I am authorized to advise you that Rampart Utilities, Inc. hereby withdraws its Application for Extension of Service, Docket No. 980888-SU.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. If you have any questions, please contact me at my direct number (941) 364-2715.

Very truly yours,

ABEL, BAND, RUSSELL, COLLIER,  
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Barbara B. Levin  
For The Firm

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cc: Robert J. Gill w/o enc.

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SPORTS FACILITY  
CONSULTANTS,  
LAND SURVEYORS

## FAX MEMO

**TO:** Barbara Levin

**FROM:** *for* James C. Widman, P.E. *ck*

**SUBJECT:** Pilgrim United Church of Christ & San Antonio Catholic Church Utilities

**DATE:** November 17, 1998

Please be advised that the Pilgrim United Church of Christ & San Antonio Catholic Church no longer request the Rampart Utilities or the Charlotte County Wastewater Utilities services.

The Churches were unable to fund the additional expenses associated with C.C.U service.

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Mr. Robert Gill  
Ruden, McClosky, Smith, Schuster & Russell, P.A.  
Post Office Box 49017  
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**Re: Docket No. 980887-SU and No. 980888-SU - Application by Rampart Utilities, Inc. for amendment of Certificate No. 497-S in Charlotte County to extend territory to service San Antonio Catholic Church and Pilgrim United Church of Christ.**

Dear Mr. Gill:

Pursuant to Section 120.573, Florida Statutes, state agencies have been charged with the responsibility of promoting mediation of administrative disputes consistent with the provisions of Section 120.573, Florida Statutes. Mediation is an informal dispute resolution process in which a neutral third party, the mediator, helps the disputing parties reach an agreement upon the disputed matter. The mediator has no power to impose a decision on the parties. Mediation is a desirable alternative to an administrative hearing in that it can be less expensive, less time-consuming, and allows the parties themselves to negotiate settlement of disputed issues.

Additionally, the Public Service Commission has been selected to participate in a mediation pilot program led by the Conflict Resolution Consortium and the Governor's office. Our staff will contact you regarding a meeting to discuss whether this case can be handled through mediation. We encourage you to attend this meeting and raise any questions or concerns you may have in this regard.

If the parties agree to proceed to mediation, staff would draft and submit for your approval an agreement to mediate. The agreement would include provisions for mediator selection, the allocation of any costs and fees associated with the mediation, and the mediating parties' understanding regarding the confidentiality of discussions and documents introduced during mediation, as well as the participation by staff in the mediation process. The mediation would conclude within 60 days of the agreement unless otherwise agreed upon by the parties. If mediation results in settlement of the administrative dispute, staff will present the settlement to the Commission for consideration and will recommend appropriate action consistent with the agreement to mediate. If mediation terminates without settlement of the dispute, the Commission would notify

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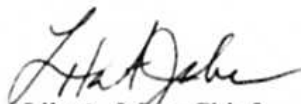
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the parties in writing that the administrative hearing process under Section 120.57, Florida Statutes, would resume.

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  
Division of Legal Services  
Bureau of Water and Wastewater

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cc: Rampart Utilities (Barbara Levin)  
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Mr. John Alebon  
1098 Maple Leaf Estates  
Port Charlotte, Florida 33952

**RE: Docket No. 980888-SU - Application by Rampart Utilities, Inc. for amendment of Certificate No. 497-S in Charlotte County to extend territory to service Pilgrim United Church of Christ.**

Dear Mr. Alebon:

Thank you for your letter in which you made no objections to Rampart Utilities, Inc.'s application for extension of territory to service Pilgrim United Church of Christ. In your letter you stated that the church should pay its fair share of the cost for service and that you thought that this should result in lesser charges for you and the other residents of Maple Leaf Estates. Because the utility's application is for an amendment to its certificate of service, customer rates will not change.

Your letter will be placed in the correspondence section of the docket file. If you have any questions, please contact me at (850) 413-6202.

Sincerely,

*Samantha A. McRae*  
Samantha A. McRae  
Staff Attorney

cc: Rampart Utilities (Barbara Levin)  
Maple Leaf Estates Homeowners' Corporation (Robert Gill)  
Division of Water and Wastewater (Williams, Messer, Redemann)  
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