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Attention: Troy Rendell

RE: Limited Rate Proceeding Agenda Conference Postponement Docket #980242-SU

Dear Mr. Rendell:

Originally, the Second Agenda Conference on Lindrick's two step Limited Rate proceeding was scheduled for June. It was then postponed (due to delays) to late July and now we find that it is to be postponed yet again. I know that both parties have contributed to the above prior delays, however, the current postponement is detrimental to the ongoing operation of Lindrick Service. Please note that since the First Agenda Conference staff has had all the information needed to make a recommendation, therefore, it is inconceivable why more time is now required.

At our First Agenda Conference, Lindrick did not receive an increase sufficient to cover our **actual increased expenses** due to treatment of Lindrick's influent by the City of New Port Richey, bank interest and miscellaneous costs. (Also, our rate determinants were underestimated.) This follows on PSC's refusal to accept our 1998 Price Index Increase due to a suspicion of overearnings (which have since been shown non-existent). As a result, Lindrick is currently short \$25,000-\$30,000 per month (i.e. cannot meet its financial obligations). This has put Lindrick Service Corporation into jeopardy and could ultimately have a detrimental affect on the health and welfare of both the utility and its customers.

Therefore, we respectfully request that the date for the Second Agenda Conference be moved forward if at all possible, so as to minimize losses experienced by Lindrick Service Corporation and risk to its customers.

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