BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Application by Dana In re: Utility Corporation for Original Certificates for Water & Wastewater Service in Bay County, Florida

Docket No. 991632-WS

Filed: February 16,

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Dana Utility Corporation (Dana), by and through its undersigned attorneys, and pursuant to Rule 28-106.204, Florida Administrative Code, hereby requests a six-month extension of time, until August 20, 2000, to file its application for the establishment of initial rates and charges. In support of this motion, Dana states:

- Dana is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Lake Merial Development Company, Inc., the developer of the Lake Merial Development located in Bay County.
- On October 20, 1999, Dana failed an application for 2. original certificates to serve the territory comprising the Lake Merial Development. Also on that date, Dana requested a temporary waiver until February 20, 2000 of the requirement to file the information necessary to establish initial rates and charges for the utility.
- By Order No. PSC-00-0127-PAA-WS, Dana was granted the requested temporary waiver.
- By Order No. PSC-00-0227-FOF-WS, Dana was granted original water and wastewater certificates to serve the territory comprising the Lake Merial Development, and was directed to DOCUMENT NUMBER - DATE

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submit its application for initial rates and charges by February 20, 2000.

- 5. The owners of the Lake Merial Development are currently engaged in negotiations which are expected to lead to the sale of the development and a change in control of Dana Utilities. As a result of these negotiations, neither the finalization of the financial and other data necessary to set initial rates nor the construction of utility facilities has begun as quickly as Dana originally anticipated.
- 6. Dana therefore requests a six-month extension of time to file its application for initial rates and charges. Dana currently expects that this will provide sufficient time for the on-going negotiations to be concluded, and for it to complete the rate development effort.

WHEREFORE, Dana Utility Corporation requests that the Commission grant a six-month extension of time, until August 20, 2000, for the filing of its application for initial rates and charges.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 16th day of February, 2000.

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Once those negotiations are finalized, the parties will file with the Commission the appropriate application for change of control of the utility.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing was served on the following by hand delivery this 16th day of February, 2000.

Patricia Christensen Division of Legal Services Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399

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