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## Public Service Commission

February 14, 2000

Mr. Michael W. Medema, Vice President W.P. Utilities, Inc. 3500 W. Lantana Road Lantana, Florida 33462

Re: Staff Assisted Rate Case for W.P. Utilities, Inc. in Palm Beach County, Docket No. 000042-WS.

Dear Mr. Medema:

We have determined eligibility for staff assistance filed by W.P. Utilities. We have determined that the utility is now eligible for the staff assisted rate case (SARC) filing. Since your request for staff assistance has been accepted, the utility should pay a \$1,000 filing fee as provided by Rule 25-30.020(f) of the Florida Administrative Code. The filing fee is based on the capacity of each of the utility systems and is due by March 13, 2000, which will be the official filing date for this rate case. Delay in payment of the filing fee may result in a delay in the processing of your case.

Members of Commission Staff will contact you to schedule a convenient time for examination of the utility's books and records and physical plant. I am also enclosing a copy of the case assignment and scheduling record (CASR), showing the SARC timeframe. If you have any questions regarding the rate proceeding, please call Johnny Butts at (850) 413-6920 or Paulette Dewberry at (850) 413-6962.

Sincerely,

Daniel Hoppe

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