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VIA TELECOPY AND U.S. MAIL

Dan Hoppe, Director
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2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
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Re: Aloha Utilities, Inc.; PSC Docket No. 991643-SU
Petition for Wastewater Rate Increase for its Seven Springs System Customers in Pasco
County, Florida
Our File No. 26038.30

Dear Mr. Hoppe:

Aloha Utilities and its accounting consultants have been working diligently on preparing the voluminous responses to your deficiency letter of March 2, 2000 over the last several weeks.

The Utility is close to having that substantial additional documentation and/or responses to each of the points raised in your letter ready for filing. However, Aloha has currently scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday a full formal hearing in its service territory in a water quality docket currently pending before the Commission, and the engineers, accountants, chief officers and attorneys are all involved in that proceeding. As such, we will need a few additional days in which to respond to the deficiency letter. However, we fully anticipate we should be able to file that information by Tuesday, April 4, 2000 or Wednesday, April 5, 2000.

Please let me know if you or any other members of the Commission have any problems with this slight delay in filing of the responses to the deficiency letter. In order to fully prepare for the

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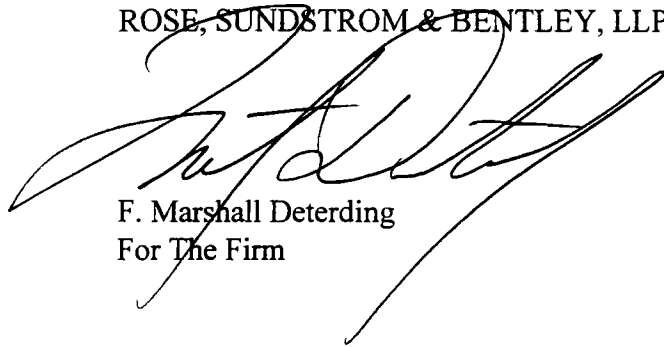
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hearing this week, I will be leaving the office at the close of business today (Monday, April 27, 2000). Therefore, please let me know by the close of business today whether there are any problems in this regard.

Should you have any questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

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