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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In Re: Application of Aloha Utilities, Inc. for Increase in Wastewater Rates in its Seven Springs System in Pasco County, Florida)	RECORDS AND DOCKET NO 991643-SU
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STIPULATED MOTION TO EXTEND TIME FOR FILING PREHEARING STATEMENTS

Aloha Utilities, Inc. ("Aloha"), by and through its undersigned counsel, hereby files this Stipulated¹ Motion to Extend Time for Filing Prehearing Statements and alleges as follows:

- 1. Prehearing Statements in this case were due on September 5, 2000.
- 2. Lead counsel for Aloha is the proper and appropriate person to draft the final of Aloha's Prehearing Statement. Lead counsel for Aloha was out of the State of Florida in the days prior to September 5, 2000 and on September 5, 2000. Counsel then went directly from his out of state location to depositions in this case in Tampa. Depositions also continue in this case tomorrow at the Public Service Commission in Tallahassee.
- 3. Aloha has five separate sets of discovery responses due this week. This and the pending depositions have required a significant amount of Aloha's resources in terms of the time of its counsel and of its expert witnesses and its staff.
- 4. The undersigned has conferred with counsel for the Office of Public Counsel who does not object to an extension of time for the filing of Aloha's Prehearing Statement until and including this Friday, September 8, 2000 at noon.

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This Motion is labeled as a stipulated motion because the only two parties in this case, OPC and Aloha, have stipulated to this request.

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Counsel has conferred with counsel for the Public Service Commission who reserves his position at this time.

5. No person will be prejudiced by this brief extension of time within which to file the Prehearing Statement. The Prehearing Conference in this case is not until September 15, 2000.

WHEREFORE, in consideration of the above, Aloha Utilities, Inc. respectfully requests that the filing date for its Prehearing Statement be extended until noon on Friday, September 8, 2000.

Dated this 6th day of September, 2000.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished by regular U.S. Mail and via facsimile to the following on this 6th day of September, 2000:

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