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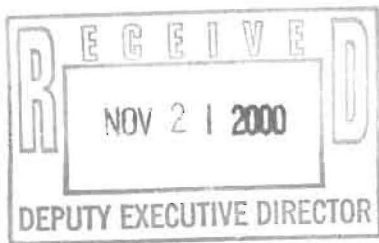
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**DATE:** November 20, 2000  
**TO:** Dr. Mary Bane, Deputy Executive Director, Technical  
**FROM:** D. Tyler Van Leuven, Staff Attorney, Division of Legal Services *D.V.L.*  
 Marshall Willis, Chief, Division of Economic Regulation *M*  
**RE:** Docket No. 992015-WU - Application for limited proceeding to recover costs of water system improvements in Marion County by Sunshine Utilities of Central Florida, Inc.

On November 20, 2000, staff received a letter from Bruce May, the attorney for Sunshine Utilities, Inc. (Sunshine or utility), requesting that the Commission's decision on the recommendation filed November 16, 2000 be deferred from November 28, 2000 to December 5, 2000. In support of its request, Sunshine states that deferral is appropriate because Mr. Timothy Banks, Administrator of Water Facilities Funding for the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), is not able to attend the Commission's November 28, 2000 Agenda Conference. Further, Sunshine states that Mr. Banks attendance is necessary to provide the Commission with all of the relevant information that it needs to determine whether to grant the requested rate relief.

Based on the above, staff agrees that deferral is warranted, and recommends that the request for deferral be granted. Therefore, item 15 on the November 28, 2000 Agenda Conference should be deferred to the December 5, 2000 Agenda Conference. Attached is a copy of the utility's letter requesting a deferral of the Commission's decision concerning its application for rate relief.

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*Recommended Approval,  
MAB*

*J.K. WBS for chair*

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Re: Application for Limited Proceeding to Recover Costs of Water System  
Improvements in Marion County by Sunshine Utilities of Central  
Florida, Inc., Docket No. 992015-WU

Dear Roseanne:

The purpose of this letter is to request deferral of the above-referenced matter from the Florida Public Service Commission's (the "Commission's") November 28, 2000 Agenda Conference to the December 5, 2000 Agenda Conference.

Deferral is appropriate because Timothy G. Banks, Administrator of Water Facilities Funding for the Florida Department of Environmental Protection ("DEP"), is not available to attend the Commission's November 28, 2000 Agenda Conference. Mr. Banks, and DEP employees working under him, are involved in the environmental and funding issues associated with Sunshine Utilities of Central Florida, Inc.'s ("Sunshine's") proposed water system improvements that are the subject of the limited proceeding in Docket No. 992015-WU. Indeed, DEP has proposed to provide grants and low interest loans to fund the proposed water system improvements contingent upon the Commission granting a rate increase for Sunshine to recover the costs of the improvements. Mr. Banks' attendance at the Agenda Conference is necessary to provide the Commission with all of the relevant information that it needs to determine whether to grant the requested rate relief, particularly in light of the joint interest of the Commission and the

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DEP in ensuring a safe and efficient water supply as set forth in the Memorandum of Understanding dated November 20, 1992. Mr. Banks is available to attend the Commission's December 5, 2000 Agenda Conference.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please let us know if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP



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