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Re: Aloha Utilities, Inc.; PSC Docket No. 010156-WS Our File No. 26038.17

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Attached in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Final Order in Docket No. 960545-WS is the most recent report on the status of the pilot project. Please see the attached letter for more detail concerning this status report.

If any members of the staff have any questions or concerns with the direction of the pilot project or anything within Mr. Porter's letters, either this report or previous reports, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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Re: PSC Docket No. 010156-WU Project Number AUI-021-1-S Seven Springs WS Pilot Plant Status Report for March 2002

Dear Connie,

I have prepared this project update letter so that you may use it in the preparation of your monthly report to the FPSC concerning this project.

Since my last report, I have been working on the interim pilot plant report as authorized by Steve Watford. I have also continued working with ORICA-WATERCARE and WESTECH in the technical program development along with estimating construction and O&M costs for a MIEX demonstration plant.

I have reviewed the updated MIEX Demonstration Plant equipment supply proposal received from Moss-Kelly, Inc. (the ORICA representative for this area) on March 8th. In addition I have reviewed a report titled "MIEX Regeneration Waste Disposal Options for Aloha Utilities" prepared by ORICA and received on March 11th. The updated ORICA proposal and the waste disposal options report provide the data required to develop all cost evaluations that will be presented in the interim report.

I had originally estimated that the interim report would be completed in mid to late March. However, since we have just received the ORICA proposal and waste disposal report which are essential to the completion of the interim report, that estimate must be adjusted. Currently, I estimate that I will have the report completed in mid April. As soon as the report is ready, I will begin working with the FDEP to permit the demonstration facility.

If you have any questions please call me.

Sincerely vonis. ZE CO David W. Porter, P.E., Engineering Consultant

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