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Mr. Thomas Palmer, Esq. **Collier County** 3301 E. Tamiami Trail Administrative Building 8th Floor Naples, FL 34112

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Re: Docket No. 020166-WS - Investigation into Proposed Sale of Florida Water Services Corporation

Dear Mr. Palmer:

In Resolution 02-428, adopted October 8, 2002, by the Collier County Board of Commissioners, the Board expressed its interest in how the Florida Public Service Commission (Commission) will make its decision with regard to the proposed sale of Florida Water Services Corporation (FWSC) to the Florida Water Services Authority (FWSA). As noted in the Resolution, the Commission's jurisdiction in this matter is prescribed by Chapter 367, Florida Statutes.

We are reviewing responses to questions provided by FWSC and FWSA regarding the proposed sale. Should FWSC file an application, pursuant to Section 367.071, Florida Statutes, for transfer of its assets to a governmental authority, staff will review the application for consistency with that statute. In addition, the Commission is soliciting briefs regarding the proposed sale to FWSA.

We have placed your name on the interested persons list for this docket, so that you will be notified when any official action is taken with regard to the proposed sale. Please feel free to contact Patti Daniel at (850) 413-6808 if you have any questions with regard to this matter.

Sincerely,

Tim Devlin

Director

Division of Commission Clerk and Administrative Services

All Parties and Interested Persons

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