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RE: Docket No. 021137-WU - Application for Amendment of Certificate No. 106-W by Florida Water Services Corporation

Dear Ms. Bayó:

Please be advised that the City of Leesburg desires a formal hearing on its objection to the above request to expand the service area of Florida Water Services Corporation. The City understands that it will be required to present testimony and evidence at that hearing in support of its objection.

This letter is being sent in response to correspondence from Ms. Katherine N. Echternacht advising that such a formal hearing would be necessary for the City to pursue its objection. The City strongly desires to provide service to the development and believes it is in a better position to provide higher quality service at lower prices than the applicant. The City further believes the evidence it presents at the hearing will support its position.

Please coordinate the date, time and place of the hearing with me. I would appreciate as much notice as possible so that I can make the necessary arrangements for attendance by the witnesses who will present testimony in support of the City's objection. These will include not only City staff but outside consultants as well. If there are any questions or if you need additional information before a hearing can be scheduled please call.

Yours truly,


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