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January 28, 2008

Mr. Thomas A. Geoffroy, Vice President Florida Division of Chesapeake Utilities Corporation 1015 6th Street N.W. Winter Haven, Florida 33881

Re: Docket No. 070322-GU

Dear Mr. Geoffroy:

Staff's third data request regarding Chesapeake Utilities Corporation's depreciation study filed in the above referenced docket is attached. In order to complete the review and meet a March 4, 2008, agenda date, please provide the Company's response by February 8, 2008.

Should you have any questions, or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact Betty Gardner at (850) 413-6742.

Sincerely,

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John Slemkewicz Public Utilities Supervisor

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Chesapeake Utilities Corporation 2007 Depreciation Study January 28, 2008 Docket No. 070322-GU

- 1. For Attachment A, Schedule 1, page 2 of 2, please provide the actual 2007 plant investment and depreciation reserves. The company's 2007 response to staff's report only represented some of the 2007 data and the other accounts went through 2006.
- 2. The company's response to the staff report provided updated additions for 2007 as shown on Attachment B. The majority of the plant accounts experienced substantial decreases in additions. Please explain why this occurred.
- 3. Attachment C provides a listing of all the inactive service lines that have been inactive for over five years. Has the company retired all of the inactive service lines provided in the listing? If not, please provide the remaining unaccounted for retirements.
- 4. For Account 376.1 Mains-Steel, the company stated in its December 21, 2007 response that \$88,561 of plant for the removal of 8,300 feet of 6 inch steel main would be retired. Staff verified the retirement totals and found that the company included the \$88,561 in the 2006 retirement total. What was the retirement date of the 8,300 feet of steel mains?

For the accounts listed below, that have the same dollar amounts for transfer-ins or outs, identify the entries by Commission Order number if related to a prior rate case. If unrelated to a prior case, provide a detailed explanation of why the entries occurred.

- 5. <u>Account 379 M & R Equipment City Gate</u> Please explain why there is a decrease in plant investment and the reserves in the amount of \$7,931.
- 6. <u>Account 380 Services-Steel</u> Please explain why there is there a \$36,164 transfer for plant and the reserve. Is this an adjustment?
- 7. <u>Account 380 Services-Plastic</u> Explain in detail why there is a \$1,860 transfer-out for plant and the reserve.
- Account 383 M & R Installations
 In 2002, a transfer-out occurred from plant in the amount of \$3,637 without a corresponding transfer-out of reserves. Please provide a detailed explanation of and reconcile this account.

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- 9. Account 384 Regulators
 - a. In 2004, this account received plant investment in the amount \$3,627 from Account 383 without the corresponding reserve. Please reconcile this account.
 - b. There was no plant investment prior to 2004 for this account. Please explain why there are reserve balances for 2002 and 2003, in the amount of \$208 and \$325, respectively.