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Mike Smallridge
Alturas Utilities, LLC
P.O. Box 10186
Brooksville, Florida 34603

Re: Staff Assisted Rate Case for Alturas Utilities, LLC in Polk County, Docket No. 090477-WU

Dear Mr. Smallridge:

We have determined eligibility for staff assistance filed by Alturas Utilities, LLC (Alturas or Utility). We find that the Utility is eligible for the staff assisted rate case filing.

The staff engineer has determined the filing fee in this rate case is \$200. The fee is based on the capacity of the utility system as provided by Section 367.145(2) of the Florida Statutes. The filing fee must be received by December 11, 2009, which is the official filing date for this rate case.

Section 367.091(2), Florida Statutes, provides:

Upon filing an application for new rates, the utility shall mail a copy of the application to the chief executive officer of the governing body of each county within the service areas included in the rate request. The governing body may petition the commission for leave to intervene in the rate change proceeding and the commission shall grant intervener status to any governing body that files a petition.

Please forward a copy of Alturas' application for a SARC to the Chief Executive Officer of Polk County as required by law, and copy the Commission as proof that an application was forwarded to them.

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Members of Commission staff will contact you to schedule a convenient time for examination of the Utility's books and records and physical plant. If you have any questions regarding the rate proceeding, please call Jared Deason at (850) 413-6844.

Sincerely,



Timothy Devlin
Director

TD/as

cc: Division of Economic Regulation (Bulecza-Banks, Daniel, Deason, Fletcher, Hudson, Simpson)
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