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## Hublic Service Commission

January 26, 2011

Mr. Christian Marcelli Rose, Sundstrom & Bentley, LLP 766 North Sun Drive, Suite 4030 Lake Mary, FL 32746

Re: Docket No. 100426-WS - Application for increase in water and wastewater rates in Lake County by Lake Utility Services, Inc.

Dear Mr. Marcelli:

We have reviewed the minimum filing requirements (MFRs) submitted on December 27, 2011, on behalf of Lake Utility Services, Inc. (LUSI or Utility). After reviewing this information, we find the MFRs to be deficient. The specific deficiencies are identified below.

- 1. Rule 25-30.110 (2), Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.) requires that the MFRs shall be consistent and reconcilable with the Utility's annual report. The following account balances for December 2009 listed in the MFRs do not tie to the year end balances in the Utility's 2009 Annual Report.
  - a. Total Water Plant: MFR Schedule A-5, page 2 of 2, column (8), line 47, does not tie to Annual Report Schedule W-4(a).
  - b. Total Wastewater Plant: MFR A-6, page 2 of 2, column (8), line 63, does not tie to Annual Report Schedule S-4(a).
  - c. Water Accumulated Depreciation: MFR Schedule A-5, page 2 of 2, column (8), line 47, does not tie to Annual Report Schedule W-6 (b).
  - d. Wastewater Accumulated Depreciation: MFR A-10, page 2 of 2, column (8), line 62, does not tie to Annual Report Schedule S-6(b).
  - e. Monthly Water Customers Billed: MFR Schedule E-3, page 1 of 1, water, column (7), line 6, does not tie to Annual Report Schedule W-9, column (d) year end number of customers.
  - f. Monthly Wastewater Customers Billed: MFR Schedule E-3, page 1 of 1, wastewater, column (7), line 6, does not tie to Annual Report Schedule S-9(a), column (d) year end number of customers.
- 2. Service Availability Charges. The Utility's Application for approval of Service Availability Charges does not include all of the information and schedules required by Rule 25-30.565, F.A.C. Staff was unable to identify the following in the Application:

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- a. Per Rule 25-30.565(4)(d), F.A.C., a statement explaining the basis for the requested changes in charges and conditions.
- b. Per Rule 25-30.565(4)(r), F.A.C., a schedule showing the projected growth rate for utilization of the existing plant and line capacity and future line growth and line capacity.
- c. Per Rule 25-30.565(6), F.A.C., a demonstration of the appropriateness of the requested service availability charges and conditions.
- 3. Plant Operating Reports. Pursuant to Rule 25-30.440(4), F.A.C., all water and wastewater plant operating reports for the test year and the year preceding the test year must be submitted with the application. Please provide the operating reports for the Highland Point WTP and Crescent Hills/Crescent West WTP.
- 4. Chemical Analyses. Pursuant to Rule 25-30.440(3), F.A.C., the most recent chemical analyses for each water system conducted by a certified laboratory covering the inorganic, organic turbidity, microbiological, radionuclide, secondary and unregulated contaminants specified in Chapter 17-550, F.A.C. must be submitted with the application. Please provide the chemical analyses for the Crescent Hills/Crescent West WTP.

If any above corrections require a corresponding change to any MFR schedules, those corrected schedules must also be submitted. Your petition will not be deemed filed until the deficiencies identified in this letter have been corrected. These corrections should be submitted no later than February 26, 2011.

Sincerely, Mall Willer

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Director

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cc: Office of Commission Clerk

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