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## BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Application for approval of transfer of Certificate No. 117-W from Crestridge Utility Corporation to Crestridge Utilities, LLC In Pasco County

Docket No. 140174-WU

## MICHAEL SMALLRIDGE'S REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION

Michael Smallridge ("Smallridge"), by and through his undersigned counsel, files this Request for Confidential Classification in relation to Document No. 02721-15 filed in response to Staff's Fourth Data Request dated April 29, 2015.

- 1. Pursuant to 367.156, Florida Statutes, this Commission has the authority to classify certain material as proprietary confidential business information. This classification exempts the material from public disclosure under Section 119.07(1), Florida Statutes.
- 2. Smallridge requests that his Individual Tax Returns be classified as proprietary confidential business information under Section 367.156, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code (the "Confidential Information"). If this request is granted, then the subject portions of said Individual Tax Returns will be exempt from Section 119.07(1), Florida Statutes. Attached hereto as Exhibit "A" is a Justification Matrix providing a justification for Smallridge's request.
- 3. The Individual Tax Returns produced in response to Staff's Fourth Data Request and are intended to be and is treated by Smallridge as private and confidential and have not been disclosed externally and has been strictly controlled internally.
- 4. The information consists of the Individual Tax Returns of the owner of Crestridge Utilities, LLC ("Utility"), filed jointly with his wife. This information should be classified as proprietary confidential business information because it is the personal financial information of the

owner unrelated to his compensation from the Utility, and disclosure would impair the owner's competitive interests as he moves to acquire other systems in the future.

5. Requiring the disclosure of the owner's Individual Tax Returns would violate Smallridge's right to privacy under Article I, Section 23 of the Florida Constitution.

WHEREFORE, Michael Smallridge requests confidential treatment of the referenced documents and the entry of the protective order that is consistent with this Motion.

Respectfully submitted this 20<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2015, by:

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE DOCKET NO. 140174-WS

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Request for Confidential Classification has been e-filed with the PSC Clerk and copies furnished by E-Mail to the following parties this 20<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2015:

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## JUSTIFICATION MATRIX

Location	Justification
(Document name and location of information)	
<b>2011, 2012 &amp; 2103 Individual Tax Returns</b>	The requested financial information of the owner is
	not related to any ratemaking function with regard to
Social Security Number and all financial	the Utility.
information	
	§367.156(3)(e) Disclosure of the compensation data
	would impair the owner's competitive interests he
	may acquire other utilities in the future.
	The financial information relates to the owner in his
	ownership capacity, and is not information of the
	Utility.
	Article I, Section 23 of the Florida Constitution.
	Disclosure of the information would invade the
	privacy rights of the owner.