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# **Public Service Commission**

February 12, 2018

Mr. Martin S. Friedman, Esquire Friedman & Friedman, P.A. 766 N. Sun Drive, Ste. 4030 Lake Mary, FL 32746 mfriedman@ff-attomeys.com STAFF'S THIRD DATA REQUEST via email

# **Re: Docket No. 20170166-WS - Application for limited proceeding rate increase in Orange County by Pluris Wedgefield, Inc.**

Dear Mr. Friedman:

By this letter, the Commission staff requests that Pluris Wedgefield, Inc. (Pluris Wedgefield or Utility) provide responses to the following data requests.

### Rate Case Expense

1) Please explain who Maurice Gallarda is and why he needs to attend the Agenda Conference for this Limited Proceeding.

### AMI Meters

Please refer to Pluris Wedgefield's response to staff's second data request, document no. 00907-2018.

- 2) Pluris' response to request 5 b. indicates estimated bills were due to dead meters caused by faulty batteries. When does Pluris anticipate the problem with the faulty batteries will be resolved?
- 3) Pluris' response to request 16 indicates that invoice numbers 53 and 58 were two separate engineering studies.
  - a. Please describe how Pluris determined the sequence of studies performed for the AMI tower.
  - b. Would there have been any cost savings if HD Supply surveyed multiple sites in one engineering study instead of just one site and another company performing another site survey study?

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- c. Would it have been feasible to perform the Sensus propagation study first before the site survey to help determine where the site for the AMI tower should be? Please explain your response.
- 4) Please provide any invoices related to the AMI Software Maintenance expense.

#### **Meter Retirements**

- 5) Please refer to Schedule No. 7, document no. 06333-2017, and Staff's Second Data Request question number 7, document no. 00907-2018. Schedule No. 7 shows a reduction to Account 334.4 Meters/Meter Installations and Account 108.334 A/D Meters/Meter Installations of \$224,489. Given the fact that most of the meters that were retired were not fully depreciated, how is the Company treating the difference between the \$224,489 reduction to Accumulated Depreciation and the actual amount of Accumulated Depreciation related to the retired meters?
- 6) Please provide the balance of Account 108.334 A/D Meters/Meter Installations prior to the meter retirements.
- 7) Please provide the original cost for each of the meters that were retired.

### **Cell Tower Rental Expense**

- 8) Please provide any invoices related to the Cell Tower Rental Expense.
- 9) If there is a cell tower rental expense, why did Pluris pay for installation of the AMI tower per Invoices 54 and 55?

Please file all responses electronically no later than Monday, February 26, 2018, from the Commission's website at <u>www.floridapsc.com</u>, by selecting the Clerk's Office tab and Electronic Filing Web Form. Please feel free to call me at (850) 413-6856 if you have any questions

Sincerely,

/s/ Danijela Janjic Danijela Janjic Senior Attorney

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cc: Office of Commission Clerk Office of Public Counsel (Kelly, Ponder)