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Chairman Art Graham
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Blvd.
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re: Docket No. 2019____-WU: Placid Lakes Utilities, Inc.
2018 Test Year General Rate Increase Application
Our Matter No. 070336

Dear Chairman Graham:

This letter, pursuant to Rule 25-30.430, Florida Administrative Code, requests approval of a test year for Placid Lakes Utilities, Inc. (the “Company”). The Company intends to submit an application for general rate relief to the Florida Public Service Commission for its water system located in Highlands County, Florida. The Company intends to submit the minimum filing requirements (“MFRs”) on or before June 30, 2019.

The Company’s last rate proceeding before the Commission was in Docket No. 20130025-WU, which culminated in Order No. PSC-2013-0646-PAA-WU, issued December 5, 2013.

The Company requests an historic test year ending December 31, 2018. The requested test year is representative of a normal full year of operation. At this time the Company does not anticipate any pro forma adjustments to expenses.

The Company does anticipate including the following pro forma plant additions:

- Pump replacement for Well #2 - \$30,000.
- Hydrogen peroxide project - \$20,000.

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- Automatic Data Flow System - \$100,000.
- Meter Replacement Program (continuation) (2 years) - \$40,000.
- Variable Flow System for 3 wells - \$80,000.

In the past 18 months, the Company has made no major plant additions nor have there been any changes in operational methods.

Pursuant to Section 367.081(8), Florida Statutes, the Company requests that the Commission process this petition for rate relief using the proposed agency action procedure. The Company also will request interim rates based on the historic test year.

Should you or members of the Staff have any questions regarding this request, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

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