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## **Public Service Commission**

March 11, 2022

Mr. Martin S. Friedman Dean Mead Law Firm 420 SOrange Ave., Ste 700 Orlando, FL 32801 mfriedman@deanmead.com

Dear Mr. Friedman:

Re: Docket No. 20220034-WS - Application for staff-assisted rate case in Polk County by Hidden Cove, Ltd.

Staff has completed its review and has determined that Hidden Cove, Ltd. (Hidden Cove or Utility) is eligible for a staff-assisted rate case (SARC). The filing fee for this rate case is \$1,200 based on the capacity of the utility's system as provided by Section 367.145(2), Florida Statutes (F.S.) and Rule 25-30.020(2)(f), Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.). The filing fee must be received by April 11, 2022, which will be the official filing date for this rate case. Pursuant to Rule 25-30.455(7), F.A.C., the Commission will deny the application if a utility does not remit the fee within 30 days after official acceptance.

Please forward a copy of Hidden Cove's application for a SARC to the Chief Executive Officer of Polk County. This is required by Section 367.091(2), F.S., which states:

> 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 intervenor status to any governing body that files a petition.

Please file an affidavit stating that this requirement has been fulfilled. The affidavit and filing fee should be sent to the address below. Please include the docket number (20220034-WS).

> Office of Commission Clerk Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

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Please be aware that the Florida Rural Water Association (FRWA) is an available resource that assists both small and large water and wastewater systems with all phases of water and wastewater operations. The FRWA is a nonprofit, non-regulatory professional association. For more information, you may visit the FRWA's website at <a href="www.frwa.net">www.frwa.net</a> or call (850) 668-2746. Members of the Commission staff will contact you to schedule a convenient time for examination of the Utility's books and records.

If you have any questions regarding the proceeding, please contact Sonica Bruce by phone at (850) 413-6994 or by email at sonicabruce@psc.state.fl.us

Sincerely,
Judy Harlow

Judy Harlow, Director Division of Economics

JH/sb

cc: Office of Commission Clerk (Docket No. 20220034-WS)
Mr. Gary Williams, Executive Director at FRWA (Gary.Williams@frwa.net