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APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT OF CERTIFICATE (EXTENSION OR DELETION) PM 2:00

(Pursuant to Section 367.045, Florida Statutes)

To: Director, Division of Records and Reporting
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0880

980433-WU

The undersigned hereby makes application for amendment of Water Certificate No. 420-W and/or Wastewater Certificate No. N.A. to add (add or delete) territory located in HIGHLANDS County, Florida, and submits the following information:

PART I APPLICANT INFORMATION

A) The full name (as it appears on the certificate), address and telephone number of the applicant:

HEARTLAND UTILITIES, INC.

Name of utility

( 941 ) 655-4300

Phone No.

( 941 ) 655-4300

Fax No.

8068 Commercial Blvd.

Office street address

Sebring

Florida

33871

City

State

Zip Code

P.O. Box 1991, Sebring, Fl 33871

Mailing address if different from street address

N.A.

Internet address if applicable

B) The name, address and telephone number of the person to contact concerning this application:

Howard Short

(94) 655-4300

Name

Phone No.

P.O. Box 1991

Street address

Sebring

Florida

33871

City

State

Zip Code

Cert + Maps to WAW

**PART II     NEED FOR SERVICE**

- A) Exhibit    A    - If the applicant is requesting an extension of territory, a statement regarding the need for service in the proposed territory, such as anticipated development in the proposed service area.
- B) Exhibit   N.A.   - If the applicant is requesting a deletion of territory, a statement specifying the reasons for the proposed deletion, demonstrating that it is in the public interest and explaining the effect of the proposed deletion on the ability of any customer, or potential customer, to receive water and/or wastewater service, including alternative source(s) of service.
- C) Exhibit    B    - A statement that to the best of the applicant's knowledge, the provision of service will be consistent with the water and wastewater sections of the local comprehensive plan at the time the application is filed, as approved by the Department of Community Affairs, or, if not, a statement demonstrating why granting the amendment would be in the public interest.

**PART III    SYSTEM INFORMATION**

**A)    WATER**

- (1) Exhibit    C    - A statement describing the proposed type(s) of water service to be provided by the extension (i.e., potable, non-potable or both).
- (2) Exhibit    D    - A statement describing the capacity of the existing lines, the capacity of the existing treatment facilities, and the design capacity of the proposed extension.
- (3) Exhibit    E    - The numbers and dates of any construction or operating permits issued by the Department of Environmental Protection for the system proposed to be expanded.
- (4) Exhibit    F    - A description of the types of customers anticipated to be served by the extension, i.e., single family homes, mobile homes, duplexes, golf course, clubhouse, commercial, etc.

- (5) If the utility is requesting a deletion of territory, provide the number of current active connections within the territory to be deleted.

N.A.

- (6) Exhibit G - Evidence the utility owns the land where the water facilities that will serve the proposed territory are, or will be, located. If the utility does not own the land, a copy of the agreement, such as a 99-year lease, which provides for the long term continuous use of the land. The Commission may consider a written easement or other cost-effective alternative.

B) **WASTEWATER** N.A.

- (1) Exhibit \_\_\_\_\_ - A statement describing the capacity of the existing lines, the capacity of the existing treatment and disposal facilities, and the design capacity of the proposed extension.
- (2) Exhibit \_\_\_\_\_ - The numbers and dates of any construction or operating permits issued by the Department of Environmental Protection for the system proposed to be expanded.
- (3) Exhibit \_\_\_\_\_ - If the utility is planning to build a new wastewater treatment plant, or upgrade an existing plant to serve the proposed territory, provide a written description of the proposed method(s) of effluent disposal.
- (4) Exhibit \_\_\_\_\_ - If (3) above does not include effluent disposal by means of reuse, provide a statement that describes with particularity the reasons for not using reuse.
- (5) Exhibit \_\_\_\_\_ - A description of the types of customers anticipated to be served by the extension, i.e., single family homes, mobile homes, duplexes, golf course, clubhouse, commercial, etc.
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**PART IV FINANCIAL AND TECHNICAL INFORMATION**

- A) Exhibit H - A statement as to the applicant's technical and financial ability to render reasonably sufficient, adequate and efficient service.
- B) Exhibit I - A detailed statement regarding the proposed method of financing the construction, and the projected impact on the utility's capital structure.
- C) Provide the number of the most recent Commission order establishing or amending the applicant's rates and charges. J
- D) Exhibit K - A statement regarding the projected impact of the extension on the utility's monthly rates and service availability charges.

**PART V TERRITORY DESCRIPTION AND MAPS**

**A) TERRITORY DESCRIPTION**

Exhibit L - An accurate description of the territory proposed to be added or deleted, using township, range and section references as specified in Rule 25-30.030(2), F.A.C. If the water and wastewater territory is different, provide separate descriptions.

**B) TERRITORY MAPS**

Exhibit M - One copy of an official county tax assessment map or other map showing township, range and section with a scale such as 1"=200' or 1"=400' on which the proposed territory to be added or deleted is plotted by use of metes and bounds or quarter sections and with a defined reference point of beginning. If the water and wastewater territory is different, provide separate maps.

C) **SYSTEM MAPS**

Exhibit     N     - One copy of detailed map(s) showing proposed lines and facilities and the territory proposed to be served. Map(s) shall be of sufficient scale and detail to enable correlation with a description of the territory proposed to be served. Provide separate maps for water and wastewater systems.

**PART VI**      **NOTICE OF ACTUAL APPLICATION**

A) Exhibit     O     - An affidavit that the notice of actual application was given in accordance with Section 367.045(1)(a), Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-30.030, Florida Administrative Code, by regular mail to the following:

- (1) the governing body of the municipality, county, or counties in which the system or the territory proposed to be served is located;
- (2) the privately owned water and wastewater utilities that hold a certificate granted by the Public Service Commission and are located within the county in which the territory proposed to be served is located;
- (3) if any portion of the proposed territory is within one mile of a county boundary, the utility shall notice the privately owned utilities located in the bordering counties that hold a certificate granted by the Commission;
- (4) the regional planning council;
- (5) the Office of Public Counsel;
- (6) the Public Service Commission's Director of Records and Reporting;
- (7) the appropriate regional office of the Department of Environmental Protection; and
- (8) the appropriate water management district.

Copies of the Notice and a list of entities noticed shall accompany the affidavit. **THIS MAY BE A LATE-FILED EXHIBIT**

- B) Exhibit N.A. - An affidavit that the notice of actual application was given in accordance with Rule 25-30.030, Florida Administrative Code, by regular mail or personal delivery to each customer of the system. A copy of the notice shall accompany the affidavit. THIS MAY BE A LATE-FILED EXHIBIT.
- C) Exhibit P - Immediately upon completion of publication, an affidavit that the notice of actual application was published once in a newspaper of general circulation in the territory in accordance with Rule 25-30.030, Florida Administrative Code. A copy of the proof of publication shall accompany the affidavit. THIS MAY BE A LATE-FILED EXHIBIT.

**PART VII FILING FEE**

Indicate the filing fee enclosed with the application:

\$ 500.00 (for water) and/or \$ N.A. (for wastewater).

Note: Pursuant to Rule 25-30.020, Florida Administrative Code, the amount of the filing fee is as follows:

- (1) For applications in which the area to be extended or deleted has the proposed capacity to serve up to 100 ERCs, the filing fee shall be \$100.
- (2) For applications in which the area to be extended or deleted has the proposed capacity to serve from 101 to 200 ERCs, the filing fee shall be \$200.
- (3) For applications in which the area to be extended or deleted has the proposed capacity to serve from 201 to 500 ERCs, the filing fee shall be \$500.
- (4) For applications in which the area to be extended or deleted has the proposed capacity to serve from 501 to 2,000 ERCs, the filing fee shall be \$1,000.
- (5) For applications in which the area to be extended or deleted has the proposed capacity to serve from 2,001 to 4,000 ERCs, the filing fee shall be \$1,750.
- (6) For applications in which the area to be extended or deleted has the proposed capacity to serve more than 4,000 ERCs, the filing fee shall be \$2,250.

**PART VIII TARIFF AND ANNUAL REPORTS**

- A) Exhibit Q - An affidavit that the utility has tariffs and annual reports on file with the Commission.
- B) Exhibit R - The original and two copies of proposed revisions to the utility's tariff(s) to incorporate the proposed change to the certificated territory. Please refer to Rules 25-9.009 and 25-9.010, Florida Administrative Code, regarding page numbering of tariff sheets before preparing the tariff revisions. (The rules and sample tariff sheets are attached.)

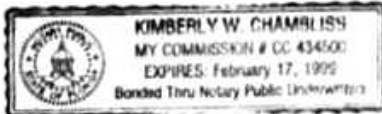
**PART IX AFFIDAVIT**

I HOWARD E. SHORT (applicant) do solemnly swear or affirm that the facts stated in the foregoing application and all exhibits attached thereto are true and correct and that said statements of fact thereto constitute a complete statement of the matter to which it relates.

BY: Howard E. Short  
 Applicant's Signature  
 HOWARD E. SHORT  
 Applicant's Name (Typed)  
 PRESIDENT  
 Applicant's Title \*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23<sup>rd</sup> of January 1998.  
*IS PERSONALLY KNOWN TO ME AND HAS A FL DRIVER'S LICENSE BEARING TP NO 5630-325-45-34-0*

[Signature]  
 Notary Public



\* If the applicant is a corporation, the affidavit must be made by the president or other officer authorized by the by-laws of the corporation to act for it. If the applicant is a partnership or association, a member of the organization authorized to make such affidavit shall execute same.

The area to be served by this project is a deleinated area by Highlands County Health Department and Southwest Florida Water Management District which means that no shallow wells can be drilled for potable water. There are seventeen homes with contaminated wells (EDB, Nitrate).

Attached is a letter from the Highlands County Health Department supporting this need.





Lawton Chiles  
Governor

James T. Howell, M.D., M.P.H.  
Secretary

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## HIGHLANDS COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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Howard Short, Owner  
Heartland Utilities  
P.O. Box 1991  
Sebring, Florida 33871

January 6, 1998

Re: Proposal for Public Water System in Sebring Lakes Subdivision

Dear Mr. Short:

We are pleased to learn of your proposal to provide public drinking water to the residents and lot owners of Sebring Lakes subdivision in units 1A, 1B, 2A, 2B, and 2C. Extensive groundwater contamination has been documented by the Health Department in this subdivision. Consequently, it is delineated under Chapter 62-524, FAC and requires costly deep aquifer construction standards for each private well.

Construction of a public water system will be a public health benefit by providing safe drinking water to the families of the existing and future homes. Ethylene dibromide (EDB) is found in the surficial aquifer of this subdivision at values above the maximum contaminate level and is a known carcinogen. The health risks associated with long term exposure to other found pesticides and nitrates continues to be evaluated.

The Health Department supports your proposal as it advances our public health goal of safe drinking water for all citizens and visitors of Highlands County. It is through these kinds of improvements in basic infrastructure that the foundation for healthy communities is established. Please let me know if we can assist you in this endeavor.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Roger L. Christopher".

Roger L. Christopher  
Environmental Health Director

cc: Valerie Pfister, Administrator  
Highlands County Health Department

To the best of my knowledge this project will be consistent with the Potable Water Service Subelement of the Highlands County Comprehensive Plan Adopted January 16, 1991 and revised January 27, 1997.

The stated objective at the beginning of this section is as follows:

"Ensure public health by protecting the water quality of potable wells, including the future possibility of establishing or expanding central water systems in the unincorporated areas of Highlands County."

This project will provide potable water only.

This project will provide a new water plant with all new lines. The proposed plant capacity is 200,000 gallons per day.

No applications have been applied for to the Department of Environmental Protection, but will be applied for concurrent with this application.

The customers anticipated to be served by this project are single family homes. At present there are approximately 40 homes and approximately 300 additional building sites.

Parcel ID Number: C033629-02000600010  
Grantee #1 TTN: 59-2969240

EXHIBIT G

# Warranty Deed

This Indenture, Made this 23rd day of January, 1998 A.D. Between  
L.E. SELPH, JR. and BONNIE SELPH, his wife,

of the County of Highlands, State of Florida, grantors, and  
HEARTLAND UTILITIES, INC., a corporation existing under the laws  
of the state of Florida

whose address is: P.O. Box 1991, Sebring, Florida 33871

, grantee.

Witnesseth that the GRANTORS, for and in consideration of the sum of  
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TEN & NO/100 (\$10.00) ----- DOLLARS,  
and other good and valuable consideration to GRANTORS in hand paid by GRANTEE, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have  
granted, bargained and sold to the said GRANTEE and GRANTEE'S successors and assigns forever, the following described land,  
situate, lying and being in the County of Highlands State of Florida to wit:

Lots 1 through 6, inclusive, and Lots 49 through 54, inclusive,  
SEBRING LAKES, UNIT ONE, according to the plat thereof as  
recorded in Plat Book 6, page 47, Public Records of Highlands  
County, Florida.

PREPARED WITHOUT TITLE EXAMINATION.

This property is not the homestead of the grantor(s).

Subject to Reservations, Restrictions, Easements and Assessments  
of record, if any, and subject to real estate taxes for the  
year 1998 and subsequent years.

and the grantors do hereby fully warrant the title to said land, and will defend the same against lawful claims of all persons whomsoever.  
In Witness Whereof, the grantors have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.  
Signed, sealed and delivered in our presence:

*Richard L. Taylor*  
Printed Name: Richard L. Taylor  
Witness as to Both  
*Noel Durran*  
Printed Name: Noel Durran  
Witness as to Both

*L.E. Selph, Jr.* (Seal)  
L. E. SELPH, JR.  
P.O. Address 304 E. Lake Drive Blvd., Sebring, FL 33872  
*Bonnie Selph* (Seal)  
BONNIE SELPH  
P.O. Address 304 E. Lake Drive Blvd., Sebring, FL 33872

STATE OF Florida  
COUNTY OF Highlands

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 23 day of January, 1998 by  
L.E. Selph, Jr. and Bonnie Selph, his wife Corporation,

on behalf of the corporation. They are personally known to me.  
This Document Prepared By:  
J. MICHAEL SWAIN, ESQUIRE  
SWAIN, HARRIS, SHEHIAN & McCLURIE, P.A.  
425 S. COMMERCIAL AVENUE  
SEBRING, FL 33870

*Richard L. Taylor*  
Printed Name: Richard L. Taylor  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
My Commission Expires: September 7, 2001  
Bonds Thru Heavy Public Underwriting

The owners of Heartland Utilities, Howard and Coleen Short, have owned and operated Heartland for approximately eight years and our track record confirms our technical and financial ability to render reasonably sufficient, adequate and efficient service.



This project will be funded by a \$250,000 grant from the Department of Environmental Protection and a \$50,000 loan from Highlands Independent Bank. See attached letters. No significant impact on the utility's capital structure is projected.

**HIGHLANDS INDEPENDENT BANK**

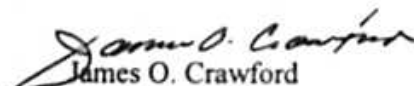
January 8, 1998

Department of  
Environmental Protection  
Tallahassee, FL 32399

Gentlemen:

This letter will confirm Heartland Utilities, Inc., Howard E. Short, President, has established a \$50,000.00 line of credit with Highlands Independent Bank. Proceeds from this line are to be used as partial funding for improvement/installation of the proposed water plant and distribution system in the Sebring Lakes Subdivision, Sebring, Florida.

Sincerely,

  
James O. Crawford  
President

JOC/sab



# Department of Environmental Protection

Lawton Chiles  
Governor

Virginia B. Wetherell  
Secretary

December 22, 1997

Mr. Howard Short  
Post Office Box 1991  
Sebring, Florida 33871

Dear Howard:

As discussed in our telephone conversation today, the Water Supply Restoration Program is interested in funding the proposed water plant and distribution system in the Sebring Lakes Subdivision. At this time, the funding that can be provided by DEP for this project is approximately \$250,000. Thank you for your assistance in supplying these residents with a safe potable water supply.

If you have any questions, please call me at (904) 487-9297.

Sincerely,

Tim Banks, P.E.  
Drinking Water Funding Section

TB/tb

Order No. PSC-96-1389-FOF-WU  
Issued November 19, 1996

No change is projected or proposed on Heartland Utilities monthly rates and tap fees.

This is a DEP funded project and we are requesting a special service availability policy. This project initially will only serve approximately 40 residences.

## TERRITORY DESCRIPTION:

A PORTION OF SEBRING LAKES UNIT 1-A, 1-B, 2-A, 2-B, AND 2-C LOCATED IN HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA, SECTION 3 AND 4, TOWNSHIP 36 SOUTH, RANGE 29 EAST, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCE AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 3, TOWNSHIP 36 SOUTH, RANGE 29 EAST, THENCE NORTH  $0^{\circ} 29' 23''$  EAST ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SECTION 3 A DISTANCE OF 1298.93 FEET TO A POINT ON THE WESTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF U.S. HIGHWAY 27. THENCE NORTH  $31^{\circ} 32' 59''$  WEST ALONG THE WESTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF U.S. HIGHWAY 27 A DISTANCE OF 325 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT ON THE NORTH LINE OF JOSEPHINE CREEK AND FOR POINT OF BEGINNING.

THENCE CONTINUE NORTH  $31^{\circ} 32' 59''$  WEST ALONG SAID WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE U.S. HIGHWAY 27 A DISTANCE OF 1264.43 FEET TO A POINT ON THE NORTH LINE OF THE SOUTH 1/2 OF SECTION 3; THENCE SOUTH  $89^{\circ} 41' 36''$  WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF THE SOUTH 1/2 OF SECTION 3 A DISTANCE OF 3155.71 FEET, TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE WEST 1/2 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4; THENCE NORTH  $0^{\circ} 53' 45''$  EAST ALONG THE EAST LINE OF THE WEST 1/2 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 A DISTANCE OF 669.33 FEET, TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE SOUTH 1/2 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4; THENCE SOUTH  $89^{\circ} 46' 12''$  WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF THE SOUTH 1/2 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 A DISTANCE OF 1331.90 FEET TO A POINT ON THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 3; THENCE NORTH  $1^{\circ} 01' 32''$  EAST ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 3 A DISTANCE OF 2013.48 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 3; ALSO BEING THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 4; THENCE SOUTH  $89^{\circ} 55' 46''$  WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SECTION 4 FOR A DISTANCE OF 660 FEET TO A POINT ON THE EASTERLY LINE OF JOSEPHINE CREEK; THENCE RUN SOUTHWESTERLY ALONG THE EASTERLY LINE OF JOSEPHINE CREEK A DISTANCE OF 2400 FEET MORE OR LESS; THENCE SOUTHERLY ALONG THE EASTERLY LINE OF JOSEPHINE CREEK A DISTANCE OF 900 FEET; THENCE EASTERLY ALONG THE NORTHERLY LINE OF JOSEPHINE CREEK A DISTANCE 8100 FEET MORE OR LESS TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

CONTAINING 250 ACRES MORE OR LESS.

AFFIDAVIT

I Howard E. Short do affirm that the notice of actual application was given in accordance with Section 367.045(1)(a), Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-30.030, Florida Administrative Code, by regular mail to the attached list of entities.

BY: Howard E. Short  
Applicant's Signature

Howard E. Short  
Applicant's Name (Typed)

President  
Applicant's Title

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24<sup>th</sup> day of March 1998.



SABRINA J SCOTT  
Notary Public, State of Florida  
My Comm. Exp. Sept. 19, 1999  
Comm. No. CC 496847

Sabrina J. Scott  
Notary Public

LIST OF WATER AND WASTEWATER UTILITIES IN HIGHLANDS COUNTY

(VALID FOR 60 DAYS)  
02/24/1998-04/24/1998

UTILITY NAME

MANAGER

HIGHLANDS COUNTY

BUTTONWOOD BAY UTILITIES, INC. (WS387)  
10001 U.S. 27 SOUTH  
SEBRING, FL 33870-9629

JOHN GREYTAK  
(941) 655-1122

C & H UTILITIES, INC. (SU526)  
P. O. BOX 1088  
SEBRING, FL 33871-1088

WENDELL L. FAIRCLOTH  
(941) 471-1400

C & H UTILITIES, INC. (WU649)  
P. O. BOX 1088  
SEBRING, FL 33871-1088

WENDELL L. FAIRCLOTH  
(941) 471-1400

COUNTRY CLUB OF SEBRING (WS654)  
4800 HAW BRANCH ROAD  
SEBRING, FL 33872-4706

R. GREG HARRIS  
(941) 382-8538

CREOLA, INC. (SU658)  
P. O. BOX 1346  
SEBRING, FL 33871-1346

DAVID L. HICKMAN  
(941) 385-0981

CRYSTAL LAKE CLUB (WS636)  
% CLAYTON, SHERWOOD, WILLIAMS  
2500 MAITLAND CENTER PARKWAY, STE 105  
MAITLAND, FL 32751-4165

JOE SHERWOOD  
(407) 660-0050

DAMON UTILITIES, INC. (WS551)  
47 LAKE DAMON DRIVE  
AVON PARK, FL 33825-8902

LISA DAVIS  
(941) 453-0773

FAIRMOUNT UTILITIES, THE 2ND, INC. (SU648)  
3625 VALERIA BLVD.  
SEBRING, FL 33870-1048

ROGER E. MILLER  
(941) 385-8542

FLORIDA WATER SERVICES CORPORATION (WS618)  
P. O. BOX 609520  
ORLANDO, FL 32860-9520

BRIAN P. ARMSTRONG  
(407) 880-0058

HARDER HALL - HOWARD, INC. (SU644)  
122 EAST LAKE DRIVE BLVD.  
SEBRING, FL 33872-5018

PAUL E. HOWARD  
(941) 382-8725



LIST OF WATER AND WASTEWATER UTILITIES IN HIGHLANDS COUNTY

(VALID FOR 60 DAYS)  
02/24/1998-04/24/1998

UTILITY NAME

MANAGER

HIGHLANDS COUNTY (continued)

HEARTLAND UTILITIES, INC. (WU566)  
P. O. BOX 1991  
SEBRING, FL 33871-1991

HOWARD SHORT  
(941) 655-4300

HIGHLANDS RIDGE ASSOCIATES, INC. (WS672)  
3003 EAST FAIRWAY VISTA DRIVE  
AVON PARK, FL 33825-6001

NANCY DICKEY  
(941) 471-1117

HIGHLANDS UTILITIES CORPORATION (SU299)  
1511 U.S. HIGHWAY 27 SOUTH  
LAKE PLACID, FL 33852-8980

DIXON PUGH  
(941) 465-1296

HOLMES UTILITIES, INC. (WU760)  
760 HENSCRATCH ROAD  
LAKE PLACID, FL 33852-8397

DANIEL HOLMES  
(941) 465-6044 OR -6911

LAKE JOSEPHINE WATER (WU349)  
760 HENSCRATCH ROAD  
LAKE PLACID, FL 33852-8397

DARALD E. PUGH  
(941) 465-2916

LAKE PLACID UTILITIES, INC. (WS709)  
& UTILITIES, INC.  
200 WEATHERSFIELD AVENUE  
ALTA MONTE SPRINGS, FL 32714-4099

DONALD RASMUSSEN  
(407) 869-1919

LANDMARK ENTERPRISES, INC. (SU686)  
62 LAKE HENRY DRIVE  
LAKE PLACID, FL 33852-6000

DAVID S. PLANK  
(941) 382-3030

PLACID LAKES UTILITIES, INC. (WU193)  
2000 JEFFERSON AVENUE, NORTH  
LAKE PLACID, FL 33852-9749

ROLAND TOBLER  
(941) 465-0345

SEBRING RIDGE UTILITIES, INC. (WS345)  
3625 VALERIE BLVD.  
P. O. BOX 488  
SEBRING, FL 33871-0488

ROGER E. MILLER  
(941) 385-8542

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(VALID FOR 60 DAYS)  
02/24/1998-04/24/1998

UTILITY NAME

MANAGER

GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES

CENTRAL FL. REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL  
P.O. BOX 2089  
BARTON, FL 33831

CLERK, BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, HIGHLANDS COUNTY  
430 SOUTH COMMERCE AVENUE  
SEBRING, FL 33870-3701

DEP SOUTH DISTRICT  
2295 VICTORIA AVE., SUITE 364  
FORT MYERS, FL 33901

MAYOR, CITY OF AVON PARK  
110 EAST MAIN STREET  
AVON PARK, FL 33825-3945

MAYOR, CITY OF SEBRING  
368 SOUTH COMMERCE AVENUE  
SEBRING, FL 33870-3606

MAYOR, TOWN OF LAKE PLACID  
50 PARK DRIVE  
LAKE PLACID, FL 33852-9693

S.W. FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
2379 BROAD STREET  
BROOKSVILLE, FL 34609-6899

SO. FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
P.O. BOX 24680  
WEST PALM BEACH, FL 33416-4680

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UTILITY NAME

MANAGER

STATE OFFICIALS

STATE OF FLORIDA PUBLIC COUNSEL  
C/O THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
THE CAPITOL  
TALLAHASSEE, FL 32399-1300

DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING  
FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
2540 SHUMARD OAK BOULEVARD  
TALLAHASSEE, FL 32399-0850

# News-Sun, Inc.

EXHIBIT P

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SEBRING, HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA

STATE OF FLORIDA,  
COUNTY OF HIGHLANDS:

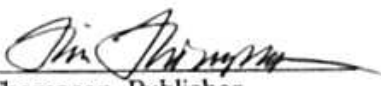
Before the undersigned authority personally appeared **Tim Thompson** who on oath says that he is Publisher of the **News-Sun**, a tri-weekly newspaper published at Sebring, in Highlands County, Florida; that the attached copy of advertisement, being a Proof of Publication in the matter of

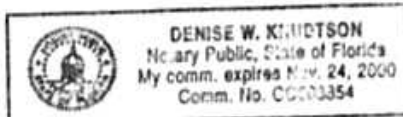
APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT OF CERTIFICATE

was published in said newspaper in the issues of

January 30, 1998

Affiant further says the **News-Sun** is a newspaper published at Sebring, in Highlands County, Florida, and that the said newspaper has heretofore been continuously published in said Highlands County, Florida, Wednesday, Friday and/or Sunday and has been entered as a second class mail matter at the post office in Sebring, in said county, Florida, for a period of one year next preceding the first publication of the attached copy of advertisement; and affiant further says that he has neither paid nor promised any person, firm or corporation any discount, rebate, commission or refund of the purchase of securing this advertisement of publication in the said newspaper.

  
Tim Thompson, Publisher



Swore to and subscribed before me  
this 30th day of January  
A.D. 19 98



APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT OF CERTIFICATE (EXTENSION OR DELETION)  
(Section 367.045, Florida Statutes)  
Notice is hereby given on January 30, 1998 pursuant to Section 367.045, Florida Statutes, of the application of Heartland Utilities, Inc. to amend its Water Certificate No. 428-W to add territory in Highlands County, Florida as follows:  
A PORTION OF SEBRING LAKES UNIT 1-A, 1-B, 3-A, 3-B, AND 3-C LOCATED IN HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA, SECTION 3 AND 4, TOWNSHIP 36 SOUTH, RANGE 29 EAST, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:  
COMMENCE AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 3, TOWNSHIP 36 SOUTH, RANGE 29 EAST, THENCE NORTH 0°29'25" EAST ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SECTION 3 A DISTANCE OF 1298.93 FEET TO A POINT ON THE WESTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF U.S. HIGHWAY 27; THENCE NORTH 31°32'59" WEST ALONG THE WESTERLY RIGHT-OF-

WAY LINE OF U.S. HIGHWAY 27 A DISTANCE OF 325 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT ON THE NORTH LINE OF JOSEPHINE CREEK AND FOR POINT OF BEGINNING.  
THENCE CONTINUE NORTH 31°32'59" WEST ALONG SAID WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE U.S. HIGHWAY 27 A DISTANCE OF 1264.43 FEET TO A POINT ON THE NORTH LINE OF THE SOUTH 1/2 OF SECTION 3; THENCE SOUTH 89°41'36" WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF THE SOUTH 1/2 OF SECTION 3 A DISTANCE OF 3155.71 FEET, TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE WEST 1/2 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4; THENCE NORTH 0°13'45" EAST ALONG THE EAST LINE OF THE WEST 1/2 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 A DISTANCE OF 669.33 FEET, TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE SOUTH 1/2 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4; THENCE SOUTH 89°46'12" WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF THE SOUTH 1/2 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 A DISTANCE OF 1331.59 FEET TO A POINT ON THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 3; THENCE NORTH 1°01'32" EAST ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 3 A DISTANCE OF 2013.48 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 3; ALSO BEGINNING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 4; THENCE SOUTH 89°55'40" WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SECTION 4 FOR A DISTANCE OF 660 FEET TO A POINT ON THE EASTERLY LINE OF JOSEPHINE CREEK; THENCE RUN SOUTHWESTERLY ALONG THE EASTERLY LINE OF JOSEPHINE CREEK A DISTANCE OF 2400 FEET MORE OR LESS; THENCE SOUTHERLY ALONG THE EASTERLY LINE OF JOSEPHINE CREEK A DISTANCE OF 900 FEET; THENCE EASTERLY ALONG THE NORTHERLY LINE OF JOSEPHINE CREEK A DISTANCE 8100 FEET MORE OR LESS TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 280 ACRES MORE OR LESS.  
Any objection to the said application must be made in writing within thirty (30) days from this date to the Director, Division of Record and Reporting, Florida Public Service Commission, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0050. A copy of said objection should be mailed to the applicant whose address is:

HEARTLAND UTILITIES, INC.  
730, Box 1291  
Sebring, Florida 33871

January 30, 1998

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I Howard E. Short do affirm that Heartland Utilities has tariffs and annual reports on file with the Florida Public Service Commission.

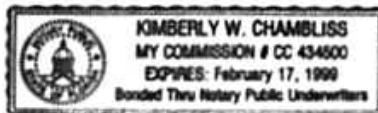
BY: Howard E. Short  
Applicant's Signature

Howard E. Short  
Applicant's Name (Typed)

President  
Applicant's Title

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23<sup>rd</sup> of January 1998. IS personally known to me AND HAS produced a FL. Driver's Lic. BEARING ID NO. 5630-325-45-301-0

[Signature]  
Notary Public



NAME OF COMPANY HEARTLAND UTILITIES, INC.

WATER TARIFF

DESCRIPTION OF TERRITORY SERVED

A PORTION OF SEBRING LAKES UNIT 1-A, 1-B, 2-A, 2-B, AND 2-C  
LOCATED IN HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA, SECTION 3 AND 4 TOWNSHIP 36  
SOUTH, RANGE 29 EAST, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS  
FOLLOWS:

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EAST, THENCE NORTH  $0^{\circ} 29' 23''$  EAST ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SECTION 3 A DISTANCE  
OF 1298.93 FEET TO A POINT ON THE WESTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF U.S. HIGHWAY 27;  
THENCE NORTH  $31^{\circ} 32' 59''$  WEST ALONG THE WESTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF U.S.  
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SOUTHERLY ALONG THE EASTERLY LINE OF JOSEPHINE CREEK A DISTANCE OF 900 FEET,  
THENCE EASTERLY ALONG THE NORTHERLY LINE OF JOSEPHINE CREEK A DISTANCE 8100  
FEET MORE OR LESS TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.  
CONTAINING 250 ACRES MORE OR LESS.

HOWARD E. SHORT  
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ISSUING OFFICER  
PRESIDENT  
\_\_\_\_\_  
TITLE

SECOND REVISED SHEET NO. 3.0  
 CANCELS FIRST REVISED SHEET NO. 3.0

NAME OF COMPANY HEARTLAND UTILITIES, INC.

WATER TARIFF

TERRITORY SERVED

CERTIFICATE NUMBER - 420-W

COUNTY - HIGHLANDS

COMMISSION ORDER(s) APPROVING TERRITORY SERVED -

<u>Order Number</u>	<u>Date Issued</u>	<u>Docket Number</u>	<u>Filing Type</u>
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HOWARD E. SHORT  
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 ISSUING OFFICER  
 PRESIDENT  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 TITLE

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APPLICATION OF AMENDMENT TO WATER CERTIFICATE NO. 420-W  
(EXTENSION OR DELETION) PM 2:00

(Pursuant to Section 367.045, Florida Statutes)

MAIL ROOM

To: Director, Division of Records and Reporting  
Florida Public Service Commission  
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

The undersigned hereby makes application for amendment of  
Water Certificate No. 420-W and/or Wastewater Certificate No.  
N.A. to add (add or delete) territory located in  
HIGHLANDS County, Florida, and submits the  
following information:

**PART I APPLICANT INFORMATION**

A) The full name (as it appears on the certificate),  
address and telephone number of the applicant:

HEARTLAND UTILITIES, INC.

Name of utility

( 941 ) 655-4300

( 941 ) 655-4300

Phone No.

Fax No.

8068 Commercial Blvd.

Office street address

Sebring

Florida

33871

City

State

Zip Code

P.O. Box 1991, Sebring, FL 33871

Mailing address if different from street address

N.A.

Internet address if applicable

HEARTLAND UTILITIES, INC. 06-97

P. O. BOX 1991 PH. 941-655-4300  
SEBRING, FL 33871-1991

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PAY  
TO THE  
ORDER OF

Florida Public Service Commission

DATE 3-24-98

\$ 500.00

\*\*Five Hundred and 00/100

DOLLARS



HIGHLANDS  
INDEPENDENT BANK  
8800 U.S. HIGHWAY 97 N.  
SEBRING, FLORIDA 33870

FOR application filing fee - Sebring Lakes

*Colon C. Short*