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- TO: DIRECTOR, DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING (BAYO)
- FROM: DIVISION OF LEGAL SERVICES (OTTINOT, GERVASION OF WATER AND WASTEMATER (REDEMANN, MESSER)
- RE: DOCKET NO. 971481-WS PETITION OF MAD HATTER UTILITY, INC. IN PASCO COUNTY FOR VARIANCE FROM RULE 25-30.036(3)(D), F.A.C., OR, IN THE ALTERMATIVE, MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME.
- AGENDA: APRIL 7, 1998 REGULAR AGENDA PROPOSED AGENCY ACTION ON ISSUE 2 - INTERESTED PERSONS MAY PARTICIPATE

CRITICAL DATES: 90 DAY GRANT/DENY DATE: MAY 19, 1998

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: NONE

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CASE BACKGROUND

Mad Hatter Utility, Inc. (MHU or utility), is a Class A utility located in south central Pasco County, Florida, which is in the Northern Tampa Bay Water-Use Caution Area, as designated by the Southwest Florida Water Management District. MHU owns and operates water and wastewater systems in three separate communities: Linda Lakes, Foxwood, and Turtle Lakes. According to its 1996 annual report, MHU serves approximately 2,013 water and 1,940 wastewater customers with combined annual operating revenues of \$1,361,504 and a combined net loss of \$77,418.

On May 8, 1996, MHU filed an application to amend its Certificates Nos. 340-W and 297-S (Docket No. 960576-WS). On June 13, 1996, Pasco County (County) filed an objection to the application and a petition for administrative hearing stating, among other things, that the County would soon provide service to certain of the parcels included in MHU's amendment application. The hearing was held on May 13-14, 1997 in Pasco County.

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