MEMORANDUM

September 21, 1999

TO : DIVISION OF LEGAL SERVICES (FUDGE)

DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING

FROM: DIVISION OF WATER AND WASTEWATER (REDEMANN)

RE : DOCKET NO. 991103-WS; APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT OF

CERTIFICATES NOS. 580-W AND 500-S TO ADD TERRITORY IN

SUMTER COUNTY BY LITTLE SUMTER UTILITY COMPANY.

Little Sumter Utility Company (Little Sumter or utility), is a Class B utility located in Marion and Sumter Counties, Florida. According to its 1998 annual report, Little Sumter serves approximately 1,524 water and 1,341 wastewater customers with combined annual operating revenues of \$492,838 and a combined net loss of \$81,770.

On August 13, 1999 the utility applied for a "quick take" amendment to Water Certificate No. 580-W and Wastewater Certificate No. 500-S in Sumter County, Florida pursuant to Rule 25-30.036(2), Florida Administrative Code. The application is in compliance with the governing statute, Section 367.045, Florida Statutes, and other pertinent statutes and administrative rules concerning an application for amendment of certificate. The application contains a check in the amount of \$200 which is the correct filing fee pursuant to Rule 25-30.020, Florida Administrative Code. The applicant has provided evidence, in the form of warranty deeds, that the utility owns the land upon which the utility's facilities are located as required by Rule 25-30.036(3)(d), Florida Administrative Code.

Adequate service territory and a territory description have been provided as prescribed by Rule 25-30.036(3)(e), and (i), Florida Administrative Code. A description of the territory requested by the utility is appended to this memorandum as Attachment A. The utility has submitted an affidavit consistent with Section 367.045(2)(d), Florida Statutes, that it has tariffs and annual reports on file with the Commission. In addition, the application contains proof of compliance with the noticing provisions set forth in Rule 25-30.030, Florida Administrative Code. No objections to the application have been received and the time for such has expired. The local planning agency was provided notice of the application and did not file a protest to the amendment. The Department of Community Affairs states the territory expansion appears to be consistent with the Sumter County Comprehensive Plan.

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The utility states that the new territory will not exceed a maximum of 25 ERC's at the time the territory is built out. No other utility is in the area, or is willing and/or capable of providing reasonably adequate service to the territory.

Staff has contacted the Department of Environmental Protection and learned that there are no outstanding notices of violation issued for the water and wastewater system. Staff recommends the rates and charges approved by the Commission be applied to customers in the new service territory. The utility has filed revised tariff sheets incorporating the additional territory into its tariff and returned its certificate for entry reflecting the additional territory.

In accordance with this rule, a request for service expansion shall be considered approved if no protest is timely filed to the application. As stated earlier, no protests have been filed and the time for such has expired.

Based on the above information, staff believes it is in the public interest to acknowledge the quick take amendment application for Little Sumter, to add the additional territory described in Attachment A. An administrative order should be issued within 30 days acknowledging the amendment of territory.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

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cc: Division of Records and Reporting (Security File)

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ATTACHMENT A

LITTLE SUMTER UTILITY COMPANY

SUMTER COUNTY

WATER AND WASTEWATER SERVICE

Charter School Site

A parcel of land lying within the East 1/2 of Section 17, Township 18 South, Range 23 East, Sumter County, Florida, and being described as follows:

Begin at the intersection of the West line of the East 1/2 of aforesaid Section 17 with the South right-of-way line of County Road 466; thence along said South right-of-way line run South 89°24′06" East 660.00 feet; thence departing said right-of-way line and parallel with the aforesaid West line of East 1/2 of Section 17 run South 00°23′59" West 1320.00 feet; thence North 89°24′06" West 660.00 feet to the aforesaid West line of East 1/2 of Section 17; thence along said West line run North 00°23′59" East 1320.00 feet to the Point of Beginning.