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## Public Service Commission

December 14, 1999

Mr. Darald E. Pugh Lake Josephine Water 760 Henscratch Road Lake Placid, FL 33852-8397

991001- WILL

Docket No. 991002-WU; Lake Josephine Water Re: Audit Request; Establish Rate Base for Transfer of Utility

Audit Control No. 99-348-3-1

Dear Mr. Pugh:

The Florida Public Service Commission will establish the rate base for transfer of the utility in accordance with Commission audit procedures. Access will be requested to documents and records of the utility and, if necessary, supporting records for affiliate company transactions that affect regulated operations. Staff auditors may also request to review the utility's external audit working papers for the most recent independent audit. Charleston Winston, (407) 245-0846, the district office supervisor, will coordinate this audit. Questions regarding the audit or audit staff should be directed to the district supervisor or myself. My phone number is (850) 413-6487.

The Audit Access to Records rule for each industry states:



In those instances where the utility disagrees with the auditor's assessment of a reasonable response time to the audit request, the utility shall first attempt to discuss the disagreement with the auditor and reach an acceptable revised date. If agreement cannot be reached, the utility shall discuss the issue with successive levels of supervisors at the Commission until an agreement is reached.

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A formal report is expected to be issued for internal Commission use in January 2000. A copy of the final report will be mailed to the company liaison listed in the Commission Mailing Directory.

Sincerely,

Denise N. Vandiver

Bureau Chief - Auditing Services

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cc: District Office Supervisor

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