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Hublic Service Commission

February 25, 2004

George C.MacFarlane, President Regulatory Consultants, Inc. 405 Interstate Boulevard - Ste. A. Sarasota, Florida 34240

Re: Docket No. 031042-WS, Application for transfer of Certificate Nos. 611-W and 527-S from Hunter Creek Utilities, LLC to Rivers Edge Utilities, LLC, in Charlotte County.

Dear Mr. MacFarlane:

Attached is a copy of staff's audit report for Hunter Creek Utilities, LLC filed February 23, 2004. As you are aware, the auditors could not find documentation to support rate base. Therefore, either staff will have to recommend that the Commission establish rate base for transfer purposes as zero or the applicant must provide an original cost study. Please discuss these options with the applicant and indicate the decision by March 25, 2004.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact either myself or my staff, Patricia Brady, at (850) 413-6686, pbrady@psc.state.fl.us.

Sincerely,

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Supervisor of Certification

Attachment

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