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Blanca S. Bayo, Director Division of Commission Clerk and Administrative Services Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Betty Easley Building, Room 110 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Via hand delivery

Docket No. 030998-WS: Joint Application for Approval of the Transfer of Re: Majority Organizational Control of Del Tura Phase I, LLC and CWS Communities LP as the Result of the Acquisition by Hometown America, L.L.C. of the Stock of Chateau Communities, Inc.

Dear Ms. Bayo:

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This letter is the response **to the** following final audit reports prepared in this docket:

- 1. Final audit report for CWS Communities, LP as of October 16, 2003, audit control No. 03-353-3-1 (Orlando District Office).
- 2. Final audit report for CWS Communities, LP d/b/a Palm Valley as of October 16, 2003, audit control No. 03-353-3-2 (Orlando District Office).
- 3. Final audit report for Del Tura Phase I, LLC as of October 16, 2003, audit control No. 03-353-3-3 (Miami District Office).

CMP _	The audit reports were reviewed by the company's rate consultant, <i>Gary</i> Morse, and the	
COM	undersigned on behalf of Hometown America. RECEIVED & FILED	
CTR	CWS Communities I.P. (serving the Haselton community)	
ECR	FPSC-BUREAU OF RECORDS	ά
a opc	Please note that although the title page to the audit report identifies the Utility with and d/b/a of "Haselton Village," the certificated name of the utility is "CWS Communities LP" with	\$
MMS	——no d/b/a.	86
RCA	Exception No. 1: The Utility is currently in the process of assuring that its records are maintained in compliance with the NARUC Uniform System of Accounts as required by Rules	74
SCR	25-30.115, Florida Administrative Code. The Utility believes that it has established a correct	\bigcirc
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cross reference to the Hometown America Corporate accounts, **and** now has **a** general ledger set **up** according to the **NARUC** system of accounts and is using it for monthly expenses and utility assets. The accounting headquarters in Chicago has been provided with written **procedures** to assure this compliance. General Ledger books and copies of all supporting invoices will be maintained in Florida at the Utility's local office within the next **30 days. The** Utility has **a** meeting scheduled for July **14**, 2004 with the Orlando District auditing staff to review the written procedures **and books** in **order** to verify this compliance.

Exception No. 2: The **audit** staff could not document utility plant in service at March, **1999.** However, plant additions from March 1999 through October **2003** were documented. **The** Utility will perform an original cost study to support **the** investment in plant and lines. It is anticipated that **the** study will **be** completed prior to any application for rate increase.

Exception No. 3: The Utility is researching facts relevant to this exception and will discuss **this** exception with the Orlando District auditing staff during the July 14,2004 scheduled meeting.

Exception No. **4:** The Utility accepts the staff's analysis. However, **when** the Utility conducts **the** original cost study referred to **above**, it will perform an analysis of **CIAC** and related amortization.

Del Tura Phase I, LLC

Exception 1: Del Tura Phase I, LLC is the certificated utility. Therefore the deed showing that Del Tura Phase I, LLC owns the land upon which the utility is located meets the requirements of Rule 25-30.037(3), Florida Administrative Code. No additional deed is required or necessary.

Exception 2: The Utility has no objection to the recommended adjustments of \$237,646 to various plant accounts and \$43,073 to accumulated depreciation. **The** Utility believes that it is **proper** to use the prescribed depreciation rates set forth in Rule 25-30.140 for **Class** B utilities.

Exception 3: The field audit staff was provided with numerous contractor invoices in support of annual plant additions as shown in **the** respective **annual** reports. However, the audit **staff** could not match the invoice amounts to the amounts shown in the annual reports for the years **1996**, 1999, and 2000 amounting to \$60,120 in total. The Utility believes that **the** documentation provided to the audit staff was sufficient to justify the plant additions. The documentation provided to the audit staff was sufficient to justify the \$60,120 in plant additions. To the extent the annual reports **have** not in the past accurately reflected this amount, it will be corrected in the 2004 annual report.

Exception No. 4: The Utility has no objection to this calculation.

Exception No. 5: Same response **as** that given **by** CWS Communities LP, Exception No. 1, above.

Audit Disclosure No. 2: The company has made an attempt to research why the Wayne's Diversified invoices did not get booked to the Utility Business Unit. According to the GL's for 2000 through 2003 for the parent company which are in the possession of Hometown and attached hereto, several of these invoices were in fact booked as capital additions to the parent business unit and for some unexplained reason were never picked up and booked to the utility business unit as capital additions. As such, these would not have been recognized as plant additions in the respective annual reports filed with the Commission. As these are proper capital additions for the utility, the utility, with the Commission's permission, should make the necessary entries moving forward to recognize same. As seen on the attached pages, nine capital items are cross referenced with check marks and identified totaling some \$130,638. At a minumum, the utility should be afforded an opportunity to have this amount reflected in its rate base. The utility will conduct further research to identify the remaining items and will make every effort to insure that contractors provide full and detailed descriptions of all work performed.

CWS Communities LP, d/b/a Palm Valley

Exception No. 1: See response to CWS Communities LP Exception No. 1, above.

Exception No. 2: The Utility has no objection to this exception.

Exception No. 3: The Utility has no objection to this exception.

Exception No. 4: The Utility has no objection to this exception.

Exception No. 5: The Utility has no objection to this exception.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Kathryn G.W. Cowdery

Attorney

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G/L Account	Explanation Ty Do		Date	.Co	Debit	Credit	Balance	LT	<u>C</u>	Batch
	Hometown America LLC			00100						
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	EXCELENGINEERING CONSULTANTAV	79893 9	/30/2003		2,573.00	· •		AΑ	Ρ	1073340
	WAYNE'S DIVERSIFIED SERVICES OV	78238 9	/4/2003		13,300.00 🦴			AA	P	1056989
	Period To	stat		- parte	15,873.00	<u> </u>	15.873.00			
	EXCEL ENGINEERING CONSULTANTOV	77966 8	/29/2003		685.00			AA	P	1052598
	Period To	tal	1.		685.00		585.00			
	EXCEL ENGINEERING CONSULTANTOV	70100 4	/10/2003		935.00			AA	P	953025
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	WAYNE'S DIVERSIFIED SERVICES OV	69203 3	/26/2003		2,600,00			AA	P	939604
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	WAYNE'S DIVERSIFIED SERVICES OV	65958 1	/16/2003		21,300.00			AA	Þ	888164
	Period To	tal –			.21,300.00		21,300.00			

AUDIT DISCLOSURE NO. 2

SUBJECT: PLANT IN SERVICE INVOICES NOT INCLUDED IN ANNUAL REPORTS

STATEMENT OF FACTS: The company provided various invoices for the years 1998 through October 2003 which total \$439,464.

AUDIT OPINION: Of this amount \$4,400 appear to be related to repairs which would have been expensed. Also, \$168,000 relate to contract payments for which no detail description was received, we tried to contact the vendor and to date we did not receive a response. Approximately \$48,110 are related to work performed at the irrigation station. The remaining balance is \$218,954. See the attached schedule.

These invoices were not capitalized in the annual report as utility plant in service. We cannot determine if they were capitalized by the development due to the condition of the books discussed in exception number 5. If they were expensed by the developer, they may be considered contributed property.

Depreciation was calculated for the these invoices in the event that the company is able to provide proof of payment by the utility. The accumulated depreciation for the \$218,954 as of October 31, 2003 is \$37,695 if the company's rates are used and \$42,169 if Rule 25-30.140, Florida Administrative Code is used. See the attached depreciation schedules.

RECAP OF INVOICES NOT ON ANNUAL REPORT

1998	ALL INVOICES - VENDOR WAYNES'S DIVERSIFIED SERVICES		
11/3/98	One previously operated lamson regen blower Price to be deducted from cost of new units	\$1,400.00	
5/29/98	Build two aluminum screen boxes and installed on plant	\$1,812.00	
5/29/98	Removed, rewound and reinstalled 20 hp pump, replaced breaker. Damage by unknown power surge	\$ 572.00	APPEARS TO BE RI
4/10/98	Furnish and deliver 1 4003 M.D. blower	\$1,060.00	
4/10/98	Furnish and install 1 15 hp previously used pump. all wiring, control devices piping, valves and check valves. Replace broken 150 Amp, 600 volt main breaker	\$2,700.00	GOLF COURSE IRR
Total 1998		\$7,544.00	
1999			
11/20/99	Modify lift stations as required. Add baffless to chlorine contact tank. Replace automatic three way valve.	\$41,000.00	V
10/1/99	Removed existing air diffusers, header and blowers. Installed new air system complete per contract	\$51,200.00	
5/23/99	Installed 2 blowers at lift stations. Includes all breakers and starters	\$4,000.00	V
4/26/99	same as 10/01	\$12,800.00	
Total 1999		\$109,000.00	
2000			
5/19/00	Furnish 2 - 1/2 hp Stainless steel Ebara pumps	\$782.00	
5/15/00	Spare parts for sewer system, furnish and deliver	\$1,800.00	APPEARS TO BE R
5/21/00	Furnish and install new lift station pumps and controls	\$27,000.00	
8/13/00	Furnish and install new lift station pumps and controls	\$27,000.00	7
10/1/00	Remove existing surge pump control panel and install new; install new 2 hp Ebara pumps in surge	\$14,700.00	レ
Total 2000		\$71,282.00	
2001			
8/26/01	Furnish 2 -2hp pumps and 2 1hp pumps	\$4,200.00	;
2002			
12/18/02	Install new irrigation pumps and control panel	\$21,300.00	IRRIGATION STATI
4/12/02	Completion of mandated rehab and modifications added 1 new blower; added 2 new blower motors; replaced and rewired blower control panel so that all blowers are controlled from 1 source.	\$18,700.00	
2/22/02	Mandated repairs (Needs more information from contractor)	\$85,000.00	
12/17/02	Modify and renovate per specs and DEP instructions to conform to new permit limitations (Needs	\$83,000.00	

\$208,000.00

		\$200,000.00	
2003			
2/22/03	Install new pumps in backwash of filter Install new meter on mud well return Install new meters on irrigation effluent Install new pressure tank on irrigation	\$14,200.00	IRRIGATION STATION L
3/10/03	Removed and replaced burned out 200 amp 3 pole main breaker, removed and cleaned all diffuser drops, replaced 3 heads.	\$2,600.00	APPEARS TO BE REPAIR
3/10/03	Removed existing 75 hp split phase motor. Replaced with new 75 hp inverter duty motor. Removed step start split phase starter system and replaced with new soft start system. Had motor shaft cut down and rethreaded to fit new style motor		IRRIGATION PUMP
B/14/03	Cleaned holding pond with track backhoe, installed pump station, pumps, controls installed new compressor	\$13,300.00	V
Total 2003	3 through October	\$39,438.00	
Total		\$439,464.00	
		\$48,110.00	Repair related Irrigation station related Contract related, not enough
Total used	l in report	\$218,954.00	

Total used in report

Using 10/31/03 as audit date - transfer 10/16/03 This invoice was recorded after transfer date

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11/06/03 Installed new mag meter on back wash line.
Installed controls on diverter valve to DEP specs
Installed cross over valve and piping on surge
tank air. Installed new gates on surge box, and new
airlift pipes in clarifiers
Removed 12" cross over pipe from air bay #1 to #2

\$14,200,00

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Land Improvement-Abovegrou			00100						
EXCELENGINEERING CONSULTA	NPV	290472	6/26/2002		.50-		AA	Þ	727169
EXCEL ENGINEERING CONSULTA		49772	6/19/2002	93,00	****		AA	p	723772
	n	d Total		93.00		92.50			
AQUASOURCE SVC6 & TECH	PV	274530	5/15/2002	90,00	. 30-	54.50	AA	p	701081
AQUASOURCE BYCE & TECH	PV	274547	5/15/2002		40-			ρ:	701081
WAYNE'S DIVERSIFIED SERVICES		45802	5/9/2002	18,700,00			AA		691368
AQUASOURCE SVCS & TECH	ΟV	45804	5/9/2002	11.802.00	· · ·		AA		691369
AQUASOURCE SVCS & TECH	Øν	45806	5/9/2002	1,967,00			AA	Ρ	691370
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WAYNE'S DIVERSIFIED SERVICES		44947	4/29/2002	2.100.00		02,400.45	AA	p	683268
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WAYNE'S DIVERSIFIED SERVICES	OV	42580	3/28/2002	41,500,00			AA		022891
	Perio	d Total		41,500.00		41,500:00			
WAYNES DIVERSIFIED SERVICES	OV	39397	2/1/2002	41,500.00			AΑ	P	606697
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Bank Deposit 1/11/02	JE	2061201	1/11/2002		131.65-		AA	P:	598695
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U.S.TENNIS & FITNESS	OV	35768	12/5/2001	631.06		17.117	AA	P.	553209
INTERNATIONAL GOLF MAINTENA		207764	12/5/2001	***	199.70-		AA	P	553406
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MADER ELECTRIC MOTORS	DV	35448	11/29/2001	1,027,06		, TO MOR	ÄÄ	P	549798
COAST PUMP & SUPPLY CO INC	OV	34634	11/15/2001	1.480.27			ΑA		541752
COAST PUMP & SUPPLY GO INC	OV	33675	11/7/2001	321:41			AΑ		527151
PURSLEY INC	OV	33671	11/7/2001	814.08			AA	Р	527134
MK EXCAVATING & GRADING	OV	33669	11/7/2001	485.00			AA	P	527132
COAST PUMP & SUPPLY CO INC	OV	33677	11/7/2001	32 90	r in the second		AA	P	527155
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HOME DEPOT	OV	26732	8/21/2001	3 804.56			AA		339839
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Homelown America LLC		00100					
Land Improve-Underground		00100					
AP8164	AP 41735	12/1/1999	41,000.00		AA	P	7676
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AP6933	AP 29799	9/1/1999	4.000.00		AA	P	6623
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AP5935	AP 109631	6/1/1999	40,000.00		AA	P	9896
AP5935	AP 109831	6/1/1999	12,800.00		AA	Ρ	9896
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AP5214	AP 16385	4/1/1999	1,400.00	2	AA	P	5444
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AP2972	AP 94954	10/1/1998	16,320.00		AA	P	10274
AP2968	AP 94950	10/1/1998	3,000.00		AA	P	10273
	Period Total	- estate	19,320.00	19,320.00			
AP2621	AP 91194	9/1/1998	1,210,00		AA	P	9707
	Period Total		1,210.00	1,210,00			