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DATE:

February 29, 2016

TO:

Carlotta S. Stauffer, Commission Clerk, Office of Commission Clerk

FROM:

Penelope D. Buys, Engineering Specialist III, Division of Engineering

RE:

Docket No. 150230-WU - Application for amendment of Certificate of

Authorization No. 247-W, to extend water service area to include land in Seminole

County, by Sanlando Utilities Corporation.

Please place this e-mail in the docket file on the Correspondence side. This e-mail is forwarded from Ms. Freeman with an attached letter from Ms. Hobkirk, a resident from Myrtle Lake Hills.

Penny Buys

From:

Lindy Freeman < lindyf@msn.com>

Sent:

Monday, February 29, 2016 12:34 PM

To: Subject:

Penny Buys Fwd: PSC letter

Attachments:

Well water.docx; ATT00001.htm

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Gretchen Hobkirk <ghobkirk@cfl.rr.com>
Date: February 16, 2016 at 9:31:29 PM EST
To: Lindy Freeman lindyf@msn.com>

Subject: Fwd: PSC letter

FYI - sent it a couple weeks ago.

Gretchen

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Hobkirk, Gretchen" < gretchen hobkirk@scps.k12.fl.us>

Date: February 16, 2016 at 1:22:34 PM EST

To: Gretchen & Matthew Hobkirk <ghobkirk@cfl.rr.com>

Subject: PSC letter

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Commission Clerk

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RE: Docket # 150230 Myrtle Lake Hills Neighborhood, Longwood, Florida January 21, 2016

Dear Sir/Madam,

We understand that our neighborhood is under consideration by the Florida Public Service Commission to obtain piped in water from Utilities, Inc. in the next 1-2 years. We are writing to you in STRONG SUPPORT of this opportunity! We live in unincorporated Seminole County, in a neighborhood without any water, sewer or fire hydrant service. Much of our neighborhood borders Myrtle Lake and we are very near the ecologically fragile Wekiva River.

Our neighborhood really needs piped in water for many reasons. Most of the wells in the neighborhood are older; and therefore; shallow in nature. Many residents have had trouble with wells collapsing or drying up. Others, including myself, have had significant difficulty with underwater pumps and equipment that have had to be repaired or replaced at great expense several times in the 12 years since we have lived here because of sand/limestone penetration into the equipment or the various minerals in the water that damage the water equipment, not to mention the appliances, toilets and bathtubs with iron stains in the house. We live in a sinkhole prone area and have had at least one house deemed unlivable because of a collapse of the well and some sinking of the house. In addition, our water tastes awful to drink, so we have to rely on reverse osmosis or other filtration or buy bottled water for drinking. Plus, we always fear that the water may not be safe for consumption.

So, if you could please vote "yes" for Utilities Inc. to be allowed to acquire our neighborhood and establish a water delivery system, it would be much appreciated!

Thanks for your consideration,

Gretchen Hobkirk