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DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING

FROM:

DIVISION OF LEGAL SERVICES (AGARWALD)

RE:

DOCKET NO. 960132-WS - APPLICATION FOR STAFF-ASSISTED RATE CASE IN BROWARD COUNTY BY MHC-DEANZA FINANCING

LIMITED PARTNERSHIP D/B/A COLONIES WATER COMPANY

Please file the attached letter in the above referenced docket.

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Attachment

cc: Division of Water and Wastewater (Dewberry, Davis)

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DIVISION OF WATER & WASTEWATER CHARLES HILL DIRECTOR (904) 413-6900

Public Service Commission

March 12, 1996

Mr. Don Barton Colonies Water Company 6603 Colonial Drive Margate, Florida 33063-5544



Re: Docket No. 960132-WS; Field Investigation of Colonies Water Company for a Staff Assisted Rate Case in Broward County.

Dear Mr. Barton:

This letter is to confirm our telephone conversation acknowledging that the minimum filing requirements for the above mentioned docket have been met.

The Engineer on staff requires several items must be completed prior to our investigation to ensure fast, expedient treatment of your rate case. Please have the following requests available for the April 3, 1996 engineering audit.

Items Required:

- (1) List of all field employees, their duties and responsibilities, certificate held, salary and explanation of how allocated to utility. A short personal interview with the available employees will help expedite the investigation.
- (2) Schedule of all vehicles by serial number and description, owned or leased by the utility, original cost or lease documents, who assigned to, and an explanation of how allocated to the utility. All vehicles are to be available for inspection.
- (3) A written summary, by permit number, of all Department of Environmental Regulation and/or Health Department permits.

(4) Totals, by month, of:

Metered water sold to customers

Water purchased from the purveyor of potable water

Wastewater transported to regional collection system

- (5) Copies of all electricity bills from the beginning of the test year to present. Copies to include meter number and location, kilowatts used, dollar paid, and electric company's account numbers.
- (6) A summary and description of all construction work in progress, whether interest bearing or not, date completed and date booked. Summary to indicate if revenue producing or non revenue producing.
- (7) A list of all service complaints received during test year and an explanation of how each was disposed of.
- (8) A list of all assets owned by the utility.

EXAMPLE: 2,000' - 8" PVC (Sewer)
25 - Manholes (Sewer)
5,000' - 6" PVC (Water)
6 - Fire Hydrants (Water)

(9) An explanation of allocation procedures for items charged indirectly to the utility:

EXAMPLE: Office space, employee salary, etc.

- (10) A schedule of depreciation rates used by the utility, by account numbers, if possible.
- (11) Any addition to capital assets that has been or will be made due to a written order from a governmental agency, please provide a copy of that order.
- (12) A schedule of additions to plant, by year, since inception or since the last rate case explaining each item, how it was acquired (CIAC, Investment) and the dollar value for each.
- (13) A list of chemicals used for water and/or sewer treatment, amount purchased, quantity purchased, unit prices paid and dosage rates utilized.

- (14) Number of customers classified as to meter size and Class (commercial or residential) for the following points in time:
 - A) 12 months prior to the beginning of the test year.
 - B) The beginning of the test year.
 - C) The end of the test year.
 - D) Present.

The first day of the investigation is to be set aside to tour the utility service area and plant, so please have the lead operator or chief maintenance person available for this tour.

Commission practices today dictate that this docket be closed as soon as possible, therefore, your full cooperation would be appreciated.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call this office.

Sincerely,

Robert T. Davis Staff Engineer

cc: Bureau of Economic Regulation Division of Legal Services