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March 21, 1997

F. Marshall Deterding, Esquire
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Re: Docket No. 970029-WS - Request for approval of new class of service for bulk wastewater service in Martin County by Hydratech Utilities, Inc.

Dear Mr. Deterding:

Staff has reviewed Hydratech Utilities, Inc.'s (Hydratech) filing and believes it reasonable and necessary to require further amplification and explanation regarding the utility's request for a new class of service, and to require production of additional and/or corroborative data. Please respond to the following by April 19, 1997:

1. Is the Banner Lake Subdivision located in Hydratech's certificated service territory? Please provide the legal description of the Banner Lake Subdivision.
2. Where is the Banner Lake Subdivision located? Is it on the mainland or on an island?
3. Please provide a copy of the bulk service agreement between Hydratech and Martin County.
4. Pursuant to Section 367.091(5), Florida Statutes' requirement of a cost justification, please provide documentation of any additional expenses that Hydratech will incur as a result of providing the bulk wastewater service.
5. What is the size of the bulk meter?
6. What are the demographics (i.e. single family, retirees) of the Banner Lake Subdivision in comparison to the demographics of Hydratech's service territory which was used to calculate the average monthly bill for the bulk wastewater service?

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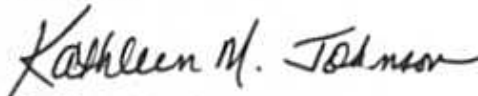
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7. Please provide all of the billing information used to calculate the average bill for Hydratech's metered water customers.
8. Has Hydratech inquired about obtaining water meter reading information for individual customers of Banner Lake Subdivision from Hobe Sound Water Company? If so, what was Hobe Sound's response to the request?
9. At the Agenda Conference on March 4, 1997, the utility expressed the desire to have the Commission make a final decision earlier than what is currently scheduled. Based on this comment, when does the utility anticipate interconnecting with the County to provide the bulk wastewater service?

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (904) 413-6230.

Sincerely,



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Staff Counsel

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