

## Public Service Commission

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DATE: April 21, 1999

TO: DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING (BAYO)

FROM: JOANN CHASE, DIVISION OF WATER AND WASTEWATER

ROSANNE GERVASI, DIVISION OF LEGAL SERVICES

RE: REQUEST BY LITTLE SUMTER UTILITY COMPANY TO RELEASE FUNDS

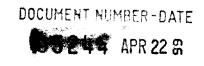
FROM ESCROW ACCOUNT

By Order No. PSC-96-1132-FOF-WS, issued in Docket 960305-WS on September 10, 1996, the Commission directed Little Sumter Utility Company to establish an escrow account to escrow certain revenue each month that can be used only to fund conservation programs approved by the Southwest Florida Water Management District. The order further provides that any requests for withdrawals from the escrow account shall be accompanied by an explanation of the specific use of the funds and documentation that the funds will be used to further a conservation program approved by the water management district.

On April 6, 1999, the utility filed the attached Request to Release Funds from Escrow. According to the Request, the utility expended \$4,368.50 on a newspaper advertising program targeted at reducing water consumption. Along with this Request, the utility provided copies of the newspaper advertisements, invoices from The Daily Sun Newspaper and Hughes and Butterworth Advertising, and a letter from the water management district approving the newspaper advertisements as part of a conservation program. The attachments are being retained in the Division of Water and Wastewater for our future reference.

Accordingly, we approve the request of the utility to release funds from the escrow account. Pursuant to the escrow account, the bank shall disburse funds to the utility upon written instructions of the Commission through the Director of the Division of Records and Reporting. Staff therefore requests that you provide written instructions to First Bank of the Villages to release \$4,368.50 from the escrow account to Little Sumter Utility Company.

cc: Division of Water and Wastewater (Bethea)



WHEREFORE, Little Sumter requests the Director of Records and Reporting provide written instructions to the Bank to pay \$4,368.50 form the escrow account to Little Sumter.

Respectfully submitted on this 2nd day of April, 1999, by:

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VIA FAX

Ms. Kay Flynn Florida Public Service Commission Water and Wastewater Division 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Little Sumter Utility Company; Docket No. 960305-WS Our File No. 30059.01

Dear Kay:

The bank which is holding the escrow funds in accordance with the above-referenced docket is Citizens First Bank which is the successor to First Bank of the Villages. Citizens First Bank's address is 1129 Main Street. The Villages, Florida 32159, and the account number in the name of Little Sumter Utility Company.

If I can provide you with any additional information, please do not hesitate to give me a call.

Very truly yours,

MARTIN S. FRIEDMAN

For The Firm

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cc: Mr. John Wise