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VIA FACSIMILE

Suzanne Brownless Suzanne Brownless, P.A. 1311-B Paul Russell Road, Suite 201 Tallahassee, Florida 32301

RE:

Docket No. 010704-SU - Petition for Declaratory Statement as to whether service availability agreement with United Water Florida Inc. requires prior Commission approval as a "special service availability contract" and whether contract is acceptable to the Commission, by St. Johns County

Dear Suzanne:

Commission staff is in receipt of your letter dated July 16, 2001, to United Water Florida Inc.'s representative, Mr. Scott Schildberg. In your letter you state that Commission staff and St. Johns County would like United Water to attend a meeting or participate by telephone in order for United Water to clarify its position regarding the issuance of a declaratory statement prior to the July 24, 2001, agenda conference at which the recommendation will be considered. You also state that this meeting will be an opportunity for the County and United Water to resolve the outstanding issues between you.

Staff has reviewed the County's Petition for Declaratory Statement and United Water's Response to the County's Petition and issued its recommendation. Staff has no questions in regard to United Water Florida's position on the County's Petition for Declaratory Statement.

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The issues listed in your letter that you state the County would like to resolve with United Water appear to be matters outside of staff's recommendation. Further, the issues listed pertain to matters involving the County and United Water, not Commission staff. Thus, we believe that, upon review of your letter, it will not necessary for staff to participate in the Friday, July 20, 2001, meeting.

Sincerely,

Samantha M. Cibula Senior Attorney

cc: Scott Schildberg, Esquire

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