

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Application of)
Florida Water Services)
Corporation for Amendment of) DOCKET NO. 990054-WU
Certificate No. 106 to add and)
delete territory in Lake County,)
Florida.)
_____)

MOTION FOR ABEYANCE

CRYSTAL RIVER UTILITIES, INC. ("CRU") and FLORIDA WATER SERVICES CORPORATION, by and through their respective undersigned attorneys, move this Commission to hold this proceeding in abeyance and in support thereof state:

1. This matter involves a territory dispute with Florida Water Services Corporation ("FWSC") and CRU's Haines Creek water system which will be unable to expand if FWSC's application is granted.

2. The parties have reached a verbal settlement by which FWSC will acquire CRU's Haines Creek water system. However, due to the schedules of the primary persons involved, this settlement will not be able to be reduced to writing with all schedules attached by the date of the hearings, August 22 and 23, 2001.

3. Upon closing on the sale, CRU will voluntarily dismiss its objection to FWSC's application in this docket.

4. No purpose would be served in going forward with this proceeding, and the parties incurring the time and expense of a prehearing, hearing and post hearing matters, nor with Staff and Commission's time.

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5. J. Stephen Menton, attorney for FWSC, has authorized to signing of his name to this Motion.

WHEREFORE, CRU respectfully requests the Prehearing Officer to hold this proceeding in abeyance pending closing on the Purchase and Sale Contract.


Respectfully submitted this 3rd day of August, 2001, by:

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished by Hand Delivery this 3rd day of August, 2001, to:

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