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## HAND DELIVERY

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Chairman Lila Jaber Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Re: Labrador Utilities, Inc.

2003 General Rate Increase Application

Our File No. 30057.64

## Dear Chairman Jaber:

This letter, pursuant to Rule 25-30.430, Florida Administrative Code, requests approval of a test year for Labrador Utilities, Inc. ("Company"). The Company intends to submit an application for general rate relief to the Florida Public Service Commission for its wastewater system located in Pinellas County, Florida. The Company intends to submit the minimum filing requirements ("MFRs") on or before June 15, 2003.

The last case affecting the Company was filed by Labrador Services, Inc. in Docket No. 000545-WS, pursuant to which the Commission, in Order No. PSC-01-1483-PAA-WS, granted Water and Wastewater Certificates to Labrador Services, Inc. and approved the flat rates then being charged to its customers. On May 6, 2003, the Commission approved the transfer of the facilities and certificates of Labrador Services, Inc. to Labrador Utilities, Inc., established the rate base at the time of the transfer, and adopting rates and charges currently in effect.

The Company proposes a test year of the year ending December 31, 2002. The Company believes that year is representative of current operations and is a representative period to measure the cost of service and to establish new rates. Attached is a Schedule showing major pro forma plant additions. The MFRs will also ROCUMENT ALMORPO DATE

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include pro forma adjustments for increases in health care, insurance, purchased power, tuition reimbursement and other costs, which will be requested in this proceeding.

Should you or members of the Staff have any questions regarding this request, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

MARTIN S. FRIEDMAN

For the Firm

MSF:VLL/dlv Enclosure

cc: Ms. Blanca Bayo, Commission Clerk and Administrative Services Director (via hand delivery)

Ms. Patricia Merchant, Director of Economic Regulations (via hand delivery)

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**Labrador** Pro Forma Plant

System	W/O #	Project Description	Costs to Date	Additional Cost to Complete	Total Cost of Project		Water		Sewer	Estimated Date of Completion
Labrador	Not Assigned	Install VFD's, upgrade H.S. pumps, paint		40,000	\$	40,000	40,000			Nov-03
Labrador	106-0693-115-02-01	Replace perimeter fencing WTP & WWTP	6,400	19,398	\$	25,798	12,899	\$	12,899	Jun-03
Labrador	106-0693-115-02-02	Engineering Evaluation of	140	20,998	\$	21,138	10,569		10,569	Sep-03
Labrador	106-0693-116-02-01	Perc Pond Cleaning & Removal of Heavy Vegetation	19,001	2,114	\$	21,116		\$	21,116	May-03
Labrador	106-0693-116-02-02	WWTP Facility Site Improvements	37,500	0	\$	37,500		\$	37,500	Jun-03
Labrador	106-0693-116-02-03	WWTP Handrail & Catwalk Rehabilitation	8,578	21,160	\$	29,738		\$	29,738	Jul-03

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System	W/O #	Project Description	Costs to Date	Additional Cost to Complete	Total Cost of Project	Water	Sewer		Estimated Date of Completion
Labrador	106-0693-116-03-01	Hydrogeologcial Study of Percolation Ponds	9,860	4,857	\$ 14,717	,	\$	14,717	Jun-03
Labrador	Not Assigned	WWTP General Improvements	0	30,000	\$ 30,000	1	\$	30,000	Nov-03
Labrador	106-693-115-03-01	Generator Installation (WTP)	0	22,250	\$ 22,250	\$ 22,250.00			Aug-03
Labrador	Not Assigned	Make improvements to spray field pumps	6,000	0	\$ 6,000	1	\$	6,000	Aug-03
Labrador	Not Assigned	Generator Installation (WWTP)	0	60,300	60,300	1	\$	60,300	Sep-03
		Replace Traveling Bridge Clarifiers w/ concrete hopper							
Labrador	Not Assigned	clarifiers	0	150,000	\$ 150,000.00	1	\$	150,000	Jun-04
Labrador	Not Assigned	Spring Lake LS Modifications	0	15,000	\$ 15,000.00	1	\$	15,000	Jun-04
Total			\$ 87,479	\$ 386,077	\$ 473,557	\$ 85,718		387,839	