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Public Service Commission

August 27, 2004

Charles A. Wilson, C.P.A., P.A.  
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040972-SU

**Re: Application for an increase in wastewater rates by Ranch Mobile WWTP, Inc. in Pinellas County**

Dear Mr. Wilson:

We have received your letter dated August 23, 2004, requesting approval for Ranch Mobile WWTP, Inc. (Ranch Mobile) to use an historical base year ended December 31, 2003 and a projected test year ended December 31, 2004 for final rates. It is my understanding that the utility will file its application using the Proposed Agency Action (PAA) provision in Section 367.081(8), Florida Statutes. The utility's test year request as outlined above is hereby approved. You should also be aware that if you do not elect to request the PAA process in your application, prefiled direct testimony must be filed with the minimum filing requirements (MFRs).

For administrative purposes only, Docket No. 040972-SU has been assigned to the forthcoming case. Your petition will be deemed filed on the date that the Division of Commission Clerk and Administrative Services receives the complete petition, revised tariff sheets, the MFRs, testimony (if not requesting PAA), and the filing fee. I understand that the utility is prepared to file its MFRs upon test year approval. Therefore, the MFRs should be received by September 10, 2004. Because of the difficulty in scheduling hearing dates, it is not anticipated that an extension of this filing will be granted.

Under the file and suspend law, the time period for processing the request will begin on the date that all of the required data is completely filed. If not complete, the official filing date will be the date the complete corrections to the deficiencies are filed.

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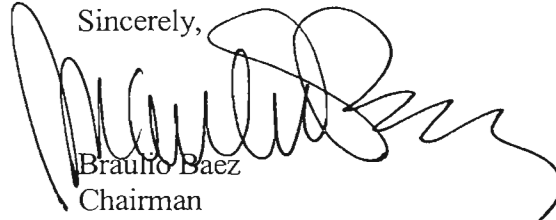
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The utility is instructed to file all information it wishes the Commission to consider when arriving at a decision on its rate case application with its original filing. Because of the time limitations contained in Section 367.081, Florida Statutes, and the lengthy auditing and investigation required, information not filed with the original application may not be considered.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Braulio Baez', written over a white background.

Braulio Baez  
Chairman

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cc: Dr. Mary Bane  
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