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- b. Docket No.: 070312-WS/Petition for Writ of Mandamus by Baypointe Builders, LLC
- c. Wedgefield Utilities, Inc.
- d. 4 Pages
- e. Wedgefield Utilities, Inc., Answer to Verified Petition for Writ of Mandamus Order the Provision of Water/Sewer Service

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



IN RE: Petition for Writ of Mandamus ordering Utilities, Inc. of Florida and Wedgefield Utilities, Inc., to provide water and wastewater service to Baypointe Builders, LLC, in Orange County, Florida

Docket No.: 070312-WS

WEDGEFIELD UTILITIES, INC.'S ANSWER TO VERIFIED PETITION FOR WRIT OF MANDAMUS ORDERING THE PROVISION OF WATER/SEWER SERVICE

Respondent, WEDGEFIELD UTILITIES, INC. ("Wedgefield"), by and through its undersigned attorneys, hereby responds to Petitioner's Verified Petition for Writ of Mandamus Ordering the Provision of Water/Sewer Service as follows:

- 1. Admit.
- 2. Admit.
- 3. Admit.
- 4. Admit.
- 5. Admit as to Wedgefield only.
- 6. Admit as to Wedgefield only.
- 7. Wedgefield is without knowledge of the status of Petitioner's project.
- 8. Admit as to Wedgefield only.
- 9. Admit as to Wedgefield only, and subject to certain limitations and exceptions.
 - 10. Admit, but deny its applicability to Wedgefield in the instant Docket.
 - 11. Wedgefield is without knowledge of Petitioner's legal status.

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- 12. Wedgefield is without knowledge of Petitioner's land ownership.
- 13. Admit as to Wedgefield only.
- 14. Wedgefield is without knowledge of whether sewer and water service were shown on the plat.
 - 15. Deny.
 - 16. Admit as to Wedgefield only.
 - 17. Deny at times relevant to this Docket.
 - 18. Deny.
 - 19. Wedgefield is without knowledge of Petitioner's permitting.
- 20. Wedgefield is without knowledge of the issuance of permits by Orange County to Petitioner.
 - 21. Admit as to Wedgefield only.
 - 22. Deny.
 - 23. Admit as to Wedgefield only.
 - 24. Admit as to Wedgefield, but check was returned for a number of reasons.
 - 25. Wedgefield is without knowledge of Petitioner's sales activities.
 - 26. Admit as to Wedgefield only.
 - 27. Admit as to Wedgefield only.
 - 28. Deny.
 - 29. Deny.
 - 30. Admit that Wedgefield refuses to provide Petitioner with water service.

Affirmative Defenses

- 1. Wedgefield provided Petitioner with a Service Agreement in April, 2005, and Petitioner failed and refused to execute the Service Agreement and pay the required charges within a reasonable period of time. Had Petitioner done so, water service would be available to Petitioner. Petitioner's dilemma is of its own making.
- 2. Wedgefield is prohibited by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection from committing to provide water service to Petitioner unless and until its water treatment plant is re-rated.

Respectfully submitted on this $\frac{1}{2}$ day of June, 2007, by:

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE DOCKET NO.: 070312-WS

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished by U. S. Mail this and of June, 2007, to:

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