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### **VIA HAND DELIVERY**

Ann Cole, Director Commission Clerk and Administrative Services Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Re:

Application for increase in water and wastewater rates in Alachua, Brevard, DeSoto, Highlands, Lake, Lee, Marion, Orange, Palm Beach, Pasco, Polk, Putnam, Seminole, Sumter, Volusia, and Washington Counties by Aqua Utilities Florida,

Inc.; Docket No. 080121-WS

Dear Ms. Cole:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of Lake Suzy Utility, Inc. d/b/a Aqua Utilities Florida, Inc., are the original and seven copies of Lake Suzy Utility, Inc.'s Petition for Leave to Intervene.

Please acknowledge receipt of these documents by stamping the extra copy of this letter "filed" and returning the copy to me.

Thank you for your assistance with this filing.

Sincerely,

HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP

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**Enclosures** 

cc:

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#### BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Application for increase in water and ) wastewater rates in Alachua, Brevard, ) DeSoto, Highlands, Lake, Lee, Marion, ) Orange, Palm Beach, Pasco, Polk, Putnam, ) Seminole, Sumter, Volusia, and Washington ) Counties by Aqua Utilities Florida, Inc. )

**DOCKET NO. 080121-WS** 

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# LAKE SUZY UTILITY, INC.'S PETITION FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE

Lake Suzy Utility, Inc. d/b/a Aqua Utilities Florida, Inc. ("Lake Suzy"), by and through its undersigned counsel, pursuant to Chapter 120, Florida Statutes, and Rules 25-22.039, 28-106.201 and 28-106.205, Florida Administrative Code, seeks leave to intervene in this proceeding so that Lake Suzy may fully inform the Florida Public Service Commission that (i) Lake Suzy has merged with Aqua Utilities Florida, Inc. ("AUF") and, thus, its substantial interests in the proceeding are identical to that of AUF; and (ii) AUF's rate case Application includes a rate increase request for the Lake Suzy system, which Application Lake Suzy supports in its entirety. In support of its Petition to Intervene, Lake Suzy states:

#### **Intervenor Information**

1. Lake Suzy is a Florida corporation. Lake Suzy's full name and principal business address is:

Lake Suzy Utility, Inc. d/b/a Aqua Utilities Florida, Inc. 762 West Lancaster Avenue
Bryn Mawr, PA 19010
(610) 645-1077 (Telephone)

2. Copies of all pleadings, notices, and orders in this docket should be provided to:

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#### Affected Agency

3. The affected agency is the Florida Public Service Commission (the "Commission"), 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida, 32399-0850.

## **Background**

- 4. AUF is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the parent company, Aqua America, Inc. ("Aqua America"). AUF and its affiliate, Lake Suzy, collectively provide water and wastewater service in 82 service areas (57 water and 25 wastewater services areas) in seventeen Florida counties pursuant to certificates issued by the Commission.
- 5. Lake Suzy, an affiliate of AUF, is a Class B water and wastewater utility doing business as AUF, pursuant to Commission approval. Lake Suzy provides service to approximately 495 water customers and 221 wastewater customers in DeSoto and Charlotte Counties.

#### **Substantial Interests Affected**

- 6. Intervention in a Commission proceeding is granted to those entities whose substantial interests are subject to determination or will be affected through the proceeding. Fla. Admin. Code R. 25-22.039.
- 7. Lake Suzy has standing to intervene as a party in this proceeding because it has merged with AUF, with AUF as the surviving entity, and AUF's rate case Application includes a rate increase request for the Lake Suzy system. In short, due to the merger of Lake Suzy into AUF, Lake Suzy's substantial interests in this proceeding are identical to those of AUF. In

support of its assertions, Lake Suzy has filed with the Commission on June 10, 2008, the Direct Testimony of Stan F. Szczygiel.

8. Lake Suzy seeks through its Petition to Intervene the opportunity to be heard in support of AUF's Application, decision on which will directly effect Lake Suzy's current rates charged to customers in the Lake Suzy system.

# **Disputed Issues of Material Fact**

9. At this stage of the proceeding, prior to service of comments and prior to the conduct of the public hearings, disputed issues of material fact and law cannot be identified with certainty. Lake Suzy thus reserves the right to identify disputed issues of material fact and law after this proceeding has progressed, comments have been served, and the public hearings have been conducted.

### **Ultimate Facts Alleged**

10. Lake Suzy adopts as its own all of the ultimate facts in AUF's Application for increase in water and wastewater rates, and fully supports that Application and all of the information filed by AUF in this proceeding.

### Statutes and Rules that Entitle Lake Suzy to Intervene

11. Lake Suzy is entitled to relief pursuant to Chapter 120, Florida Statutes, and Rules 25-22.039, 28-106.201, and 28-106.205, Florida Administrative Code.

WHEREFORE, Lake Suzy respectfully requests that the Commission grant its Petition for Leave to Intervene and authorize its participation as a party in this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted this 10th day of June, 2008 by:

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing was furnished by United States Mail to the following this 10th day of June, 2008:

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