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DATE: September 10, 2010

TO: Ann Cole, Commission Clerk, Office of Commission Clerk

FROM: Jared Deason, Regulatory Analyst IV, Division of Economic Regulation

RE: Docket No. 090531-WS - Application for staff assisted rate case in Highlands

County by Lake Placid Utilities, Inc.

Please add the attached document to Docket No. 090531-WS

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Jared Deason

From:

Jared Deason

Sent:

Friday, September 10, 2010 11:41 AM

To:

Erin Povich: Martin Friedman

Cc:

Bart Fletcher; Andrew Maurey; Cheryl Bulecza-Banks; Keino Young; Lydia Roberts; 'Christian W.

Marcelli'; MERCHANT.TRICIA; REILLY.STEVE; 'VANDIVER.DENISE'

Subject: Lake Placid Utilities, Inc. SARC Docket No. 090531-WS

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'Christian W. Marcelli' MERCHANT.TRICIA REILLY.STEVE 'VANDIVER.DENISE'

Dear Erin/Marty:

Below are the reported Plant Additions and Cap Time from 2006 - 2008 for Lake Placid:

	2006	2007	2008
Cap Time	\$20,437	\$11,123	\$1,077
Plant Additions	\$68,019	\$30,589	\$286,255
Cap Time /Plant Additions Ratio	30%	36%	0.4%

- 1. Please explain in detail why the Utility recorded cap time of approximately one-third of Plant Additions for 2006 and 2007 and cap time of less than one percent of Plant Additions in 2008.
- Regarding the negative salaries recorded in 2006 and 2007, it appears that the negative amounts resulting
 from cap time exceeding the salary expense resulted in corresponding adjustments to increase Plant.
 Please explain why Rate Base should not be reduced by these amounts.
- 3. Recognizing the wide variability in salary expense reflected in O&M expenses over the past 4 years, please provide in detail what the Utility believes is the appropriate salary amount to be included in O&M expense for rate making purposes in this docket. In your response, please provide all work papers, assumptions and other documentation supporting the amount the Utility believes is appropriate.

Please respond by the close of business on Friday, September 17, 2010. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Thanks,

Jared Deason

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