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DATE:

June 4, 2013

TO:

Ann Cole, Commission Clerk, Office of Commission Clerk

FROM:

Lynn M. Deamer, Chief of Auditing, Office of Auditing and Performance Analysis

Martha C. Brown, Senior Attorney, Office of the General Counsel MCB

RE:

Docket No. 120162-WS, Request for authorization to maintain accounting records

outside of the State of Florida, pursuant to Rule 25-30.110(1)(b), F.A.C., by Silver

Fox Utility Company, LLC

Please add the attached administrative memo, regarding the Silver Fox Utility Company, LLC request to maintain records outside of the State of Florida, to the above-referenced docket file.

Attachment

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On April 10, 2013, pursuant to Rule 25-30.110(1)(b), Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C), Silver Fox Utility Company, LLC (Silver Fox or Utility) filed a request that the Commission authorize the Utility to maintain its accounting records at the Utility's parent offices in San Bruno, California. Maintaining the accounting records at the parent's office will permit more efficient and cost-effective service and reduce duplication of expenses. According to the application, Silver Fox has applied to transfer its water and wastewater PSC Certificates to the Hometown Canada Utility Company, a limited liability company whose single member is Dr. Gratio Tsang.

According to its application, Silver Fox understands and will comply with the requirements of Rule 25-30.110(1)(c), F.A.C., regarding reimbursements of travel expenses associated with Commission staff travel to review Utility records located outside of Florida. Silver Fox has also provided accounting information to staff electronically in support of its applications, which avoided the need for staff to travel out-of-state to inspect those records. In addition, Silver Fox requests to maintain its customer billing records at the office in Zephyrhills, Florida. All of the customers served by Silver Fox are located in Pasco County, Florida and are served through the onsite Resident Manager.

Pursuant to Section 2.07(C)(4)b of the Administrative Procedures Manual, staff has been given administrative authority to approve requests of water and wastewater utilities to maintain records and record books outside of the state if the utility agrees to reimburse the Commission for the reasonable travel expenses of the Commission's representative during any out-of-state audits or investigations. The Commission has jurisdiction pursuant to Section 367.121(1)(k), Florida Statues. Therefore, staff recommends that the Commission authorize Silver Fox to maintain its records out-of-state.