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RE: Docket No. 160101-WS

Dear Commissioners,

I am contacting you regarding my concerns starting with Document No. 02589-16 dated April 28, 2016, when Utilities, Inc. of Florida (UIF) notified the Commission of their intent to file for a consolidated rate case which will exceed \$30M in 39 capital plant additions representing approximately a 38% increase in rate base which established Docket No.160101-WS. This letter of intent constitutes the third rate increase that UIF requested in an 8-month time frame, and was sent to the Commission only 16 days after our Summertree Customer Meeting on April 12, 2016. The Company also planned to request interim rates based on the historic test year. UIF is preparing its expected rate filing to consolidate 12 different companies consisting of 40 different water and wastewater systems, and serving approximately 60,000 water and wastewater customers statewide.

Summertree is about to become a pass through system with water and wastewater supplied by Pasco County Utilities through a bulk water agreement with UIF. We will be slammed with additional costs that will NEVER benefit Summertree residents.

Our Summertree Water Alliance Taskforce members and community are following Docket No. 160101-WS on the FPSC website to keep informed. Dealing with Utilities, Inc. of Florida is becoming a full time commitment.

In conclusion, I strongly support OPC's request for the Commission to set the case for full hearing from the onset. I believe that Utilities, Inc. of Florida is NOT entitled to a rate increase until they fix the unresolved issues from Docket No. 150269. Be assured that my community will be carefully following this rate case and will be keeping in touch with the Office of Public Counsel.

Sincerely,

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