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November 15, 2023

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COMMISSION CLERK  
VIA EMAIL

**Re: Docket No. 20230119-WU – Application for staff-assisted rate case in Lake County by Sun Communities Finance LLC d/b/a Water Oak Utility.**

Dear Mr. Hoekstra:

Staff has completed its review of your application and has determined Sun Communities Finance LLC d/b/a Water Oak Utility (Water Oak or utility) is eligible for a staff-assisted rate case (SARC). Engineering staff has determined the filing fee in this rate case is \$1,000.00 based on the capacity of the utility's water system as provided by 367.145(2), Florida Statute. The filing fee must be received by **December 15, 2023**, which would be the official filing date for this rate case. **Pursuant to Rule 25-30.455(6), F.A.C., the Commission will deny the application if the utility does not remit the filing fee within 30 days after official acceptance.**

Please forward a copy of Water Oak's application for a SARC to the Chief Executive Officer of Lake County. This is required by Section 367.091(2), F.S., which states:

Upon filing an application for new rates, the utility shall mail a copy of the application to the Chief Executive Officer of the governing body of each county within the service area included in the rate request. The governing body may petition the Commission for leave to intervene in the rate change proceeding and the Commission shall grant intervener status to any governing body that files a petition.

Please file an affidavit stating that this requirement has been fulfilled. The affidavit and filing fee should be sent to the address below. Please include the docket number (20230119-WU).

Office of Commission Clerk  
Florida Public Service Commission  
2540 Shumard Oak Blvd.  
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

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Members of Commission staff will contact you to schedule a convenient time for examination of the utility's books, records, and other items as needed.

Please be aware that the Florida Rural Water Association (FRWA) is an available resource that assists both small and large water and wastewater systems with all phases of water and wastewater operations. The FRWA is a nonprofit, non-regulatory professional association. For more information, you may visit the FRWA's website at [www.frwa.net](http://www.frwa.net) or call (850) 668-2746.

If you have any questions regarding the proceeding, please contact Matthew Sibley by phone at (850) 413-6516 or email at [msibley@psc.state.fl.us](mailto:msibley@psc.state.fl.us).

Sincerely,



Elisabeth Draper, Director  
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cc: Commission Clerk's Office (Docket No. 20230119-WU)  
Gary Williams, FRWA