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

Re: Docket No. 20240023-WS - Application for certificates to provide water and wastewater service and approval of initial rates and charges in Lake County, by North Lake County Water & Sewer Company LLC

Dear Mr. Teitzman:

On behalf of North Lake County Water & Sewer Company LLC, enclosed is a copy of the Request for Confidential Classification which was efiled today, along with the confidential document in an appropriately marked envelope.

Should you or Staff have any questions regarding this filing please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

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Cc: Amber Norris (via email)

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### BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Application for certificates to provide water and wastewater service and approval of initial rates and charges in Lake County, by North Lake County Water & Sewer Company LLC.

**REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION** North Lake County Water & Sewer Company LLC. ("*Applicant*"), by and through its undersigned attorneys and pursuant to Rule 25-22.006(4), Florida Administrative Code ("*FAC*") and Section 367.156, Florida Statutes, hereby requests confidential classification of certain financial information provided by the Applicant to the Staff at Staff's request, and in support shows as follows:

1. Applicant is providing the Financial Statement ("*Confidential information*") of its majority owner in support of the financial ability of Applicant to provide utility service.

2. As a newly-formed entity, the Applicant has no operating history and therefore does not have a basis on which it can independently show its financial ability to provide service as required under Rule 25-30.033(1)(h), FAC. The Applicant is providing the Confidential Information for the specific and limited purposes of satisfying the requirements of Rule 25-30.033(1)(h), FAC, and to enable the Commission to determine the ability of the owner to provide the necessary financial support to the Applicant.

3. The Applicant seeks to have the Confidential Information classified as confidential pursuant to Rule 25-22.006(3), FAC. Although the Commission Staff requires the Confidential Information for the specific and limited purposes set forth in Rule 25-30.033(1)(h), FAC, the Confidential Information should not be made available for inspection and examination by the public under Section 119.07(1), Florida Statutes, for the following reasons:

A. It is not necessary to make the Confidential Information available to the public, and the public will not be harmed in any way by withholding the Confidential Information from public disclosure.

B. The Confidential Information includes personal financial and other information

such as personal residence, personal property owned, personal investment, personal indebtedness, etc.

C. The Confidential Information is not intended to be, nor is it, treated by the owner as anything but private and confidential information, and has not been disclosed except pursuant to statutory provision, order of a court or administrative body or private agreement that provides that it will not be released to the public.

D. The Commission has routinely treated the personal financial statements of utility owners submitted to the Commission to support financial ability as confidential. See, for example, Order No. PSC-2021-0087-CFO-SU.

4. Exhibit "A" to this Request is a "Justification Table" which specifies what information in the Confidential Information the Applicant asks the Commission to classify as confidential and the statutory justification for the request in compliance with Rule 25-22.006(4)(a), (b) and (c), FAC; one highlighted copy and one redacted copy of the Confidential Information.

WHEREFORE,

North Lake County Water & Sewer Company LLC respectfully requests that the Commission determine that the Confidential Information is entitled to confidential treatment pursuant to Section 367.156, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-22.006, FAC, and exempt the Confidential Information from public inspection and examination. If the Confidential Information is not determined to be exempt then the highlighted copy should be returned to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted on this 1<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2024, by:

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<u>/s/Martin S. Friedman</u> MARTIN S. FRIEDMAN

### Exhibit "A" JUSTIFICATION MATRIX

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Location	Justification
(Document name and location of information)	
Financial Statement: Location: The amounts under all sections	The requested financial information of the owner is not related to any ratemaking function with regard to the Utility.
	§367.156(3)(e) Disclosure of the compensation data would impair the owner's competitive interests he may acquire other utilities in the future.
	The financial information relates to the owner in his ownership capacity, and is not information of the Utility.
	Article I, Section 23 of the Florida Constitution. Disclosure of the information would invade the privacy rights of the owner.



# **Personal Financial Statements**

## For Mr. Sen Zhang

Profit & Loss 01/01/2023 - 12/31/2023

Balance sheet as of 12/31/2023

Prepared by: 05/14/2024 Grace Song, Accountant & Partner Robinson & Associates Group 100 Church Street, Ste 832 New York, NY 10007

## Sen Zhang

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Personal P&L statement\_US based In US dollar 1/1/2023-12/31/2023

#### INCOME

**Other Gains** 

TOTAL INCOME

EXPENSE

TOTAL EXPENSE

NET INCOME

Signed by:

Sen Zhang

Signature & Date

Prepared by:

05/14/2024

Signature & Date

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Sen Zhang			
Personal Balance Sheet			
In US dollar As of 12/31/2023			
ASSETS:			
US-based Assets			
Cash:	Date Account Balance	Sen Zhang ownership percentage	6 7h 1
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Total Cash and Cash equivalent			
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Subtotal			
Commercial Real Estate (FMV):			
Subtotal			and an
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Other Commerical Investment (FMV):			
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Total Assets			
LIABILITIES: Long-term Liabilities- USA			
Congreent Liabilities- USA			
Total Liabilities			
CAPITAL:			
Total Capital			
Total Liabilities and Capital			
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