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## **Public Service Commission**

October 9, 2024

Jeffrey S. Schrade Indian Springs Utilities, Inc. P.O. Box 518 Crystal River, Florida 34423 jschrade1@tampabay.rr.com VIA EMAIL

Re: Docket No. 20240136-SU - Application for grandfather certificate to operate wastewater utility in Citrus County, by Indian Springs Utilities, Inc.

Dear Mr. Schrade:

Staff has reviewed the application of Indian Springs Utilities, Inc. (ISU or Utility) for a grandfather certificate to operate a wastewater utility in Citrus County. After reviewing this information, we find the application to be deficient. The specific deficiencies are identified as:

- 1. Customer Class and Meter Sizes: Rule 25-30.035(9) Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), states that an application for original certificate of authorization following rescission of jurisdiction by a county requires that the Utility submit a schedule showing the number of customers currently served, by class and meter size, as well as the number of customers projected to be served when the requested service territory is fully developed. The Utility only provided a statement regarding the total number of current connections. Please provide the required schedule.
- 2. **Legal Description:** Rule 25-30.035(10) F.A.C., requires the applicant to provide a legal description of the proposed service area in the format prescribed in Rule 25-30.029, F.A.C. A legal description was not provided as part of the Utility's application. Please provide the required legal description.
- 3. Land Rights: Rule 25-30.035 (11) F.A.C., requires documentation of the utility's right to access and continued use of the land upon which the utility treatment facilities are located. Documentation of continued use shall be in the form of a recorded warranty deed, recorded quit claim deed accompanied by title insurance, recorded lease such as a 99-year lease, or recorded easement. The applicant may submit an unrecorded copy of the instrument granting the utility's right to access and continued use of the land upon which the utility treatment facilities are or will be located, provided the applicant files a recorded copy within the time required in the order granting the certificate. No

documentation was provided pertaining to land rights. Please provide the required documentation addressing the Utility's right to access the property.

- 4. **Authorization of Rates:** Rule 25-30.035(12), F.A.C., states that an application for original certificate of authorization following rescission of jurisdiction by a county requires that the Utility submit documentation, or if no documentation exists, a statement, specifying on what date and under what authority the current rates and charges were established. No documentation or statement was provided. Please submit the required documentation or statement.
- 5. **Tariff:** Rule 25-30.035(13), F.A.C., states that an application for original certificate of authorization following rescission of jurisdiction by a county, requires that the Utility submit a tariff containing all rates, classifications, charges, rules, and regulations, which shall be consistent with Chapter 25-9, F.A.C. Form PSC 1011 (12/15), entitled "Wastewater Tariff,". The Form may be found by following this link (<a href="https://www.floridapsc.com/application-tariff-forms">https://www.floridapsc.com/application-tariff-forms</a>). The Utility only provided tariff pages containing the rates. Please submit a copy of the complete wastewater tariff containing all rates, classifications, charges, rules, and regulations.
- **6. System Map:** Rule 25-30.035(14), F.A.C, states the Utility must provide a detailed system map showing the existing and proposed lines and treatment facilities, with the territory proposed to be served plotted thereon. The map shall be of sufficient scale and detail to enable correlation with the description of the territory to be served. The map provided is not sufficient in scale and legible. Please provide a corrected system map.
- 7. **Territory Map:** Rule 25-30.035(15), F.A.C, requires an official county tax assessment map, or other map showing township, range, and section with a scale such as 1" = 200' or 1" = 400', with the proposed territory plotted thereon, consistent with the legal description provided pursuant to Rule 25-30.035(15), F.A.C. The map does not provide the township and is dark and mostly unreadable. Please provide the required territory map.

Please submit the information requested above to the Office of Commission Clerk referencing Docket No. 20240136-SU. Your application will not be deemed filed until the deficiencies identified in this letter have been corrected. These corrections should be submitted no later than **Friday, November 8, 2024**, to the following address:

Office of Commission Clerk Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850 Mr. Jeffrey Schrade Page 3 October 9, 2024

Should you have any questions concerning the information in this letter, please feel free to contact Mr. Clayton Lewis by phone at (850) 413-6578, or by email at clewis@psc.state.fl.us for technical questions, or Mr. Saad Farooqi by phone at (850) 413-6214 or email at SFarooqi@psc.state.fl.us for legal questions.

Sincerely,

s | Clayton Lewis

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cc: Office of Commission Clerk (Docket No. 20240136-SU)