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Re: Docket No. 20260012-WS - Application for revised service availability charges and policy for water and wastewater service in Duval, Baker, and Nassau Counties, by First Coast Regional Utilities, Inc.

Dear Mr. Deterding:

Staff has reviewed the application for revised service availability charges and policy for water and wastewater service submitted on January 6, 2026, on behalf of First Coast Regional Utilities, Inc. (FCRU or Utility). After reviewing this information, we find that the application to be deficient. The specific deficiencies are identified below:

1. Equivalent Residential Connections (ERCs). Rule 25-30.565(g), Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), requires the utility to provide the number of ERCs as defined by 25-30.515(8), F.A.C. Exhibit A does not describe how an ERC is defined consistent with 25-30.515(8), F.A.C., which requires either (a) 350 gallons per day (gpd), (b) a demonstration of the gpd for the average daily flow of a single residential unit, or (c), the gpd approved by the Department of Environmental Protection for a single residential unit. Staff notes the value originally used in Order No. PSC-2022-0193-FOF-WS in Docket No. 20190168-WS was 270 gpd for water and 216 gpd for wastewater. Please describe the method by which an ERC is defined consistent with 25-30.515(8), F.A.C.
2. Treatment Capacity. Rule 25-30.565(h), F.A.C., requires the utility to provide the capacity of the treatment system in terms of ERCs. As 25-30.565(g) is deficient, the capacity of the treatment system in terms of ERCs cannot be determined. Please provide a revised statement using the ERC calculation consistent with 25-30.515(8) and 25-30.565(g), F.A.C.

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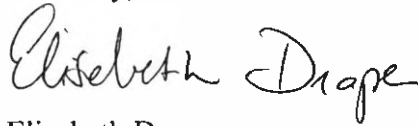
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3. Distribution & Collection Capacity. Rule 25-30.565(i), F.A.C., requires the utility to provide the capacities of the distribution and collection systems in terms of ERCs. As 25-30.565(g) is deficient, the capacities of the distribution and collection systems in terms of ERCs cannot be determined. Please provide a revised statement using the ERC calculation consistent with 25-30.515(8) and 25-30.565(g), F.A.C.

If you have any technical questions, please contact Terence Bethea by phone at (850) 413-6435 or by email at Tbethea@psc.state.fl.us. If you have any legal questions, please contact Saad Farooqi by phone (850) 413-6214 or by email at SFarooqi@psc.state.fl.us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Elisabeth Draper". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Elisabeth Draper
Director

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cc: Office of Commission Clerk (Docket No. 20260012-WS)