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February 27, 2026

Mike Smallridge
Florida Utility Services 1, LLC.
5911 Trouble Creek Road
New Port Richey, FL, 34652

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Re: Docket No. 20220185-WS - Application for limited alternative rate increase in Hardee, Manatee, Marion, Polk, and Pasco Counties, by Charlie Creek Utilities, LLC, Crestridge Utilities, LLC, East Marion Utilities, LLC, Heather Hills Utilities, LLC, Holiday Gardens Utilities, LLC, Lake Yale Utilities, LLC, McLeod Gardens Utilities, LLC, Orange Land Utilities, LLC, Sunny Shores Utilities, LLC, Sunrise Water, LLC and West Lakeland Wastewater, LLC.

Dear Mr. Smallridge:

Staff has completed its review of the refund reports filed by Florida Utility Services 1, LLC (Utility) pursuant to Rule 25-30.360(7), Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.). Since August of 2025, the Utility has filed a refund status report on the 20th of each month, resulting in a total of seven reports. Staff has reviewed the reports and found that the Utility has dispersed approximately 91 percent of its refunds including interest. The refund reports filed in January and February of 2026 show that the same refunds remain unclaimed despite the Utility's continued attempts to issue them.

Staff has determined that the Utility has demonstrated diligence and undertaken good-faith efforts to issue refund checks to all eligible customers, with multiple attempts to locate and reissue refunds to the remaining customers. Accordingly, all administrative aspects of the refund have been completed. Staff believes the final report of refunds submitted by the Utility on February 20th is sufficient and can conclude refund reporting pursuant to Rule 25-30.360(7), F.A.C. Pursuant to Rule 25-30.360(8), F.A.C., any unclaimed refunds listed in that final report shall be treated as cash contributions-in-aid-of-construction, and no further refund reporting will be required at this time.

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

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Elisabeth Draper". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "E".

Elisabeth Draper
Director

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cc: Office of Commission Clerk (Docket No. 20220185-WS)