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**FPUC's Responses to OPC's Third Set of
Interrogatories, No. 138**

Interrogatory No. 138

138. Lobbying expense. Please refer to the Company's responses to OPC Interrogatory 54 and POD No. 56. Please clarify the amount that needs to be eliminated from 2023 test year expenses to remove the lobbying portion of industry association dues. The response to OPC Interrogatory No. 54 shows \$35,368 for AGF, AGD of FL and AGA dues whereas the response to OPC POD No. 56 shows \$39,261. Explain why there is a difference between the \$35,368 and \$39,261 amounts.

Company Response:

The correct amount that should be eliminated from the 2023 test year expenses to remove the lobbying portion of industry association dues is \$35,366 which is in OPC Interrogatory 54. The \$39,261 lobbying cost in POD No. 56 was based on an estimate and not updated when we received the updated amount for OPC Interrogatory 54. However, in the course of responding to PSC audit, the Company discovered two invoices amounting to \$100 and \$5,868, respectively that were charged to 2021 O&M but should be lobbying costs. The 2023 projected amount for these two invoices are \$109 and \$6,406. Therefore, the total amount that should be eliminated from the 2023 test year expenses to remove lobbying cost is \$41,881.

Respondent: Michael Galtman

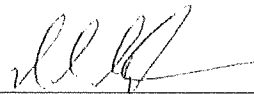
BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition for rate increase by Florida) Docket No. 20220067-GU
Public Utilities Company, Florida Division of)
Chesapeake Utilities Corporation, Florida)
Public Utilities – Fort Meade and Florida)
Public Utilities – Indiantown Division) Filed:
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DECLARATION

I hereby certify and affirm that I sponsored the Company's responses to CITIZENS' THIRD SET OF INTERROGATORIES TO FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMPANY, Nos. 124, 126-129, 131-133, 135-138, 140 in Docket No. 20220067-GU. The responses are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Under penalty of perjury, I declare that I have read the foregoing declaration and the interrogatory responses identified above, and that the facts stated therein are true.



Michael Galtman, Declarant

Dated: 8/15/22