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HAND DELIVERY

Re: Docket No. 950387-SU
Application for a rate increase for North Ft. Myers Division
in Lee County by Florida Cities Water Company - Lee County
Division.

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed on behalf of Florida Cities Water Company for filing
in the above docket are an original and 15 copies of the Motion for
Extension of Time to File Rebuttal Testimony to Public Counsel's
and Staff's Testimony.

Please acknowledge receipt of the foregoing by stamping the
enclosed extra copy of this letter and returning same to my
attention. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Application for a rate increase for) Docket No. 950387-SU
North Ft. Myers Division in Lee County by)
Florida Cities Water Company - Lee County)
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MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE
REBUTTAL TESTIMONY TO PUBLIC COUNSEL'S AND STAFF'S TESTIMONY

Florida Cities Water Company (FCWC), files this its Motion for Extension of Time to File Rebuttal Testimony to Staff's and Public Counsel's Testimony and states:

1. The attorneys for FCWC received the direct testimony on behalf of the Public Counsel on Wednesday, March 13, 1996. Staff's testimony is to be filed Friday March 22, 1996. FCWC's rebuttal testimony is now due Wednesday, April 3, 1996. FCWC has another rate case proceeding before the Commission in Docket 951258-WS which is an application for approval of an increase in rates for water and wastewater at Barefoot Bay. (Barefoot)

2. FCWC is diligently attempting to prepare rebuttal testimony in this Docket. However, in the Barefoot Docket, FCWC is still responding to discovery which has been extensive. Preparation is in process on the response to the second and fourth set of interrogatories. Additionally, FCWC is preparing for the hearing in the Barefoot case. The hearing in Barefoot will take place at Barefoot Bay on April 1 & 2, 1996. April 1 & 2 are the last two days before the now scheduled date for the filing of rebuttal testimony in this the North Fort Myers case. These circumstances have made it virtually impossible to commence meaningful preparation of rebuttal testimony to Public Counsel's direct testimony.

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3. FCWC is making every effort to comply with the presently scheduled date to file rebuttal. However, if Staff files testimony on Friday, March 22, 1996, FCWC will have only five (5) working days to prepare and file rebuttal because April 1 & 2, 1996 will be the hearing for Barefoot.

WHEREFORE, FCWC requests that it be given a one week extension of time to and including Tuesday, April 9, 1996 for the filing of its rebuttal testimony to Public Counsel's and Staff's direct testimony.

DATED this 20th day of March, 1996.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished on this 20th day of March, 1996, by hand delivery to Mr. Ralph R. Jaeger, Esquire, Division of Legal Services, Florida Public Service Commission, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, FLorida 32399-0850, Mr. Harold McLean, Associate Public Counsel, Office of Public Counsel, 111 West Madison Street, Room 812, Tallahassee, FLorida 32399-1400, and by regular U.S. Mail to:

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