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Ms. Blanca Bayo, Director Division of Records and Reporting Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0870

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RE: SFRPC #98-0938, - Notice of application to extend wastewater treatment services area, K.W. Resort Utilities Corporation, Stock Island, Monroe County.

Dear Ms. Bayo:

We have reviewed the above-referenced notice and have the following comments:

 The project is generally consistent with the goals and policies of the Strategic Regional Policy Plan for South Florida, particularly the following:

Strategic Regional Goal

2.3 Enhance the economic competitiveness of the region and ensure the adequacy of its public facilities and services by eliminating the existing backlog, meeting the need for growth in a timely manner, improving the quality of services provided and pursuing cost-effectiveness and equitability in their production, delivery and financing.

Regional Policies

- 2.3.3 The public sector should give priority to the funding of those improvements which support the general welfare of its citizenry and promote public goals, objectives and plans.
- 2.3.4 Decisions regarding the location, rate and intensity of development shall be based on the existing or programmed capacity of infrastructure and support services or on capacity which will be programmed to serve that development; in addition, consideration should be given to the impact of infrastructure and support services on natural resources.
- 2.3.7 Identify opportunities to optimize the service area and facility size of public facilities in the region.
- 2.3.11 Give priority to the construction, maintenance or reconstruction of public facilities needed to serve existing development most effectively.
- 2.3.13 Local governments should provide centralized sewer service in areas where existing septictanks are a problem and adopt and implement stormwater level of service standards consistent with those recommended by the South Florida Water Management District.

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Thank you for the opportunity to comment. We would appreciate being kept informed on the progress of this project. Please do not hesitate to call if you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

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