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October 19, 1998

Division of Records and Reporting
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Re: Docket No. 981243-WU, Application of MARION UTILITIES, INC.
for Approval of Increased Water Service Availability Charges
for the Spruce Creek Service Area and New Service Availabil-
ity Policy for the Water Division

Gentlemen:

Enclosed are the original and twelve (12) copies of Exhibit I,
Statement Describing How the Noticing Provisions of
25-22.0408(3)(a) Have Been Complied With, and Exhibit II, State-
ment Describing How the Noticing Provisions of 25-22.0408(3)(b)
Have Been Complied With.

The filing of these two exhibits completes this application.

Please mail all correspondence to me at the above address, and
direct any questions to me at (850) 562-9886.

Sincerely,

Norman F. Mears

- ACK _____
- AFA _____
- APP _____
- CAF _____

Norman F. Mears
Senior Utility Consultant

- CMU _____
- CTR _____

Certified Mail Receipt No. P 513 404 777
Enclosures
cc: Mr. Tim E. Thompson

- EAG _____
- LEG _____
- LIN _____
- OPC _____
- RCH _____
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FPSC-RECORDS/REPORTING

Application of
Marion Utilities, Inc.
for Approval of
Revised Service Availability Policy and Charges
for the Spruce Creek Service Area

Statement Describing How the Noticing Provisions
of 25-22.0408(3)(a) Have Been Complied With

Please see the attached proof of publication.

Exhibit I

DOCUMENT NUMBER-DATE

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PLANNING-RECORDS-REPORTING

PROOF OF PUBLICATION

STAR-BANNER

Published—Daily

OCALA, MARION COUNTY, FLORIDA

STATE OF FLORIDA,
COUNTY OF MARION

Before the undersigned authority personally appeared Gloria Thomas, who on oath says that he is an authorized employee of the Star-Banner, a daily newspaper published at Ocala, in Marion County, Florida; that the attached copy of advertisement, being a notice in the matter of _____

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_____ in the _____ Court, was published in said newspaper in the issues of _____

October 8, 1998

Affiant further says that the said STAR-BANNER is a daily newspaper published at Ocala, in said Marion County, Florida, and that the said newspaper has heretofore been continuously published in said Marion County, Florida, daily, and has been entered as second class mail matter at the post office in Ocala, in said Marion County, Florida, for a period of one year next preceding the first publication of the attached copy of advertisement; and affiant further says that he has neither paid nor promised any person, firm or corporation any discount, rebate, commission or refund for the purpose of securing this advertisement for publication in the said newspaper.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8th day

of October, A.D., 1998

Notary Public

TERA LIN MAHAN

(Print, Type or Stamp Name of Notary Public)



Tera Lin Mahan
MY COMMISSION # CC583714 EXPIRES
September 9, 2000
BONDED THRU TROY FAIN INSURANCE, INC.

Notice of Request for Revised Service Availability Charges and New Service Availability Policy

Notice is hereby given on October 1st, 1998, pursuant to Chapter 25-22.0408, Florida Administrative Code, that Marion Utilities, Inc. has filed a petition for revised water service availability charges for its Spruce Creek Service Area, and a new service availability policy for its water division. The requested service availability charges are to pay for growth in the utility system, and are to be paid by new, not existing, customers. A copy of the application is available for public inspection at the utility office during normal business hours.

The new service availability policy defines the rights and responsibilities of the parties, and provides for recovery of costs related to providing water service to new customers. A comparison of old and requested service availability charges follows:

Type of Charge	Previous Charge	Requested Charge
System Capacity Charge	\$445	None
Plant Capacity Charge	None	\$150
Main Installation Charge	None	\$500
Meter Installation-5/8x3/4"	\$100	\$210
Meter Installation-1"	\$130	\$247
Meter Installation-1 1/2"	\$180	\$247

The address of Marion Utilities, Inc. is 710 Northeast 30th Avenue, Ocala, Florida 34470-6460. The telephone number is (352) 622-1171. Business hours are from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm Monday through Friday.

Any comments concerning the policy or charges should be addressed to the Director of Records and Reporting, Florida Public Service Commission, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32309-0870, with a copy mailed to Marion Utilities, Inc.

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Application of
Marion Utilities, Inc.
for Approval of
Revised Service Availability Policy and Charges
for the Spruce Creek Service Area

Statement Describing How the Noticing Provisions
of 25-22.0408(3)(b) Have Been Complied With

Please see the attached affidavit and copy of legal notice.

Exhibit II

Affidavit of Legal Notice Pursuant to
Chapter 25-22.0408(3)(b)
Florida Administrative Code

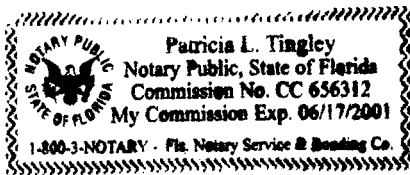
STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF MARION

AFFIDAVIT

I, Tim E. Thompson, affirm that I did, on the 5TH day of October, 1998 cause a copy of the following legal notice to be mailed via U.S. postage prepaid first class mail to all persons in the service areas included in the application who have filed a written request for service or who have been provided a written estimate for service within the 12 calendar months prior to the month the application is filed.



Affirmed and subscribed before me this 5th day of October, 1998 by Tim E. Thompson.



NOTARY PUBLIC

Personally Known or Produced Identification

Identification produced _____

**Notice of Request for Revised
Service Availability Charges
and New Service Availability Policy**

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