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VIA HAND-DELIVERY

Ms. Blanca Bayo
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RE: Town & Country Utilities Company; Docket No. 981288-WU; Application for certificate to operate a water utility in Charlotte and Lee Counties
Our File No. 33040.01

Dear Ms. Bayo:

As a result of recent conversations with members of the Commission staff, combined with the recent withdrawal of all protests to the above-referenced application, the staff is now reviewing the application's contents in order to make a final recommendation without hearing in the above-referenced matter. As part of that review, the staff has indicated a need for additional time for their evaluation of the application.

In light of the utility's desire to insure that all questions of the staff are thoroughly reviewed and discussed with the utility, and that the utility is given the opportunity to respond to any concerns raised with the application, we believe it is appropriate to grant a 60-day extension of the time limitation for Commission action on the above-referenced application pursuant to § 367.031, Fla. Stat. Please consider this letter to be our official waiver of that deadline for an additional 60 days.

We hope that by granting this extension (and any additional ones, if necessary, in order to allow full analysis of this application and all issues which may arise), the staff will work with the

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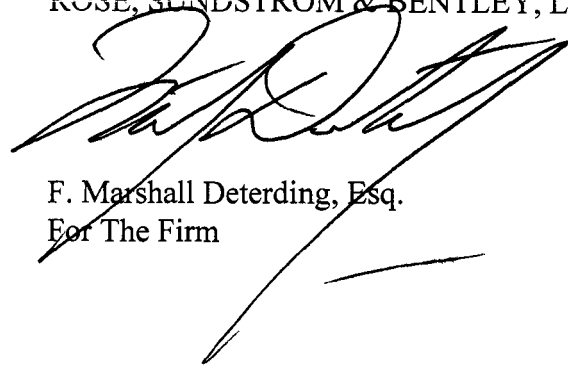
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representatives of the utility company in addressing any concerns of the staff, prior to this matter going to formal action by the Commission.

If you or the members of the staff should have any further questions in this regard, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'F. Marshall Deterding', is written over the typed name and firm name.

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