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October 5, 1999

TO : DIVISION OF LEGAL SERVICES (CROSSMAN)
 DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING *AM BSM JW*

FROM : DIVISION OF WATER AND WASTEWATER (REDEMANN)

RE : DOCKET NO. 990698-WU - APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT OF
 CERTIFICATE NO. 419-W TO ADD TERRITORY IN MARION COUNTY
 BY RESIDENTIAL WATER SYSTEMS, INC.

Residential Water Systems, Inc. (Residential applicant, or utility) is a class C water utility located in Marion County. At the end of the year 1998, the utility served a total of 525 water customers. According to the utility's 1998 annual report, its total annual revenues were \$138,843 and the net operating income was \$12,489.

On June 1, 1999, Residential applied for an amendment of Certificate No. 419-W to add the Dalton Woods territory in Marion County. The application is in compliance with the governing statute, Section 367.045, Florida Statutes, and other pertinent statutes and administrative rules concerning an application for amendment of certificate. The application contains one check in the amount of \$200 which is the correct filing fee pursuant to Rule 25-30.020, Florida Administrative Code.

Adequate service territory and system maps and a territory description have been provided as prescribed by Rule 25-30.036(3)(e), (f) and (i), Florida Administrative Code. A description of the territory requested by the utility is appended to this memorandum as Attachment A. The utility has submitted an affidavit consistent with Section 367.045(2)(d), Florida Statutes, that it has tariffs and annual reports on file with the Commission.

In addition, the application contains proof of compliance with the noticing provisions set forth in Rule 25-30.030, Florida Administrative Code. No objections were filed and the time for filing such has expired. The local planning agency was provided notice of the application and did not file a protest to the amendment. The Department of Community Affairs has identified no growth management concerns with the proposed addition of territory in Marion County. The utility states that the provision of service will be consistent with the utility section of the local comprehensive plan. The utility has submitted an affidavit consistent with Section 367.045(2)(d), Florida Statutes, that it has tariffs and annual reports on file with the Commission.

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The water system consists of two 8" wells with two 30 horsepower submersible pumps. The plant can produce 1,440,000 gallons per day. The peak demand could be 400,000 gallons per day, after the Dalton Woods is added. The average is now 160,000 gallons per day. The utility is planning to add two 20,000 gallon hydro-tanks and a second automatic generator. The residents receive wastewater service by septic tanks.

Regarding the financial impact of these customers to the utility, according to the utility's tariff and service availability policy, developers of the property will be required to construct all on-site facilities and convey those to the utility at no cost in exchange for service. The developers will also pay the standard system capacity fees to offset a portion of the cost of the transmission, and treatment facilities in order to serve the properties. Furthermore, the applicant has submitted an application to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection for a State Revolving Loan for the improvements at the water treatment plant and the application should be approved shortly. Consequently, staff believes the utility has demonstrated the financial ability to provide quality service to these customers.

Regarding the technical ability the applicant has owned and operated private utilities since 1983 and Aqua Pure currently operates the water plant. Staff has confirmed with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection that the utility was found to be in satisfactory working condition and in compliance with environmental rules.

Staff recommends the rates and charges approved by the Commission be applied to customers in the new service territory. The utility has filed revised tariff sheets incorporating the additional territory into its tariff and returned its certificate for entry reflecting the additional territory.

Based on the above information, staff believes it is in the public interest to grant the application of Residential Water Systems, Inc. for amendment of Water Certificate No. 419-W for the territory described in Attachment A. An administrative order should be issued approving the application and closing the docket.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

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cc: Division of Record and Reporting (Security File)

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ATTACHMENT A

Residential Water Systems

Marion County

Water Service Area

| PARCEL NOS. | DESCRIPTION |
|--------------|---|
| 31319-000-17 | SECTION 35, TOWNSHIP 15 SOUTH, RANGE 22 EAST BEGIN AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SOUTHEAST 1/4; THENCE WEST ALONG THE NORTH BOUNDARY OF SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SOUTHEAST 1/4, 629.17 FEET TO EASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY OF BUFFINGTON ROAD; THENCE SOUTH 26°30'07" WEST ALONG THE RIGHT OF WAY 344.78 FEET; THENCE EAST 783.69 FEET; THENCE NORTH 308.30 FEET TO POINT OF BEGINNING. |
| 31368-000-00 | SECTION 35, TOWNSHIP 15 SOUTH, RANGE 22 EAST SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 |
| 35800-018-00 | SECTION 2, TOWNSHIP 16 SOUTH, RANGE 22 EAST NORTHEAST 1/4 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 |
| 35800-019-00 | SECTION 2, TOWNSHIP 16 SOUTH, RANGE 22 EAST NORTH 1/2 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 |
| 35800-019-01 | SECTION 2, TOWNSHIP 16 SOUTH, RANGE 22 E NORTH 1/2 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 EXCEPT THE WEST 30 FEET FOR ROAD ROW |

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35803-020-01 SECTION 2, TOWNSHIP 16 SOUTH, RANGE, 22 EAST
SOUTH 134.5 FEET OF EAST 248 FEET OF THE NORTH 1/2
OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF NORTHEAST 1/4
NORTHWEST 1/4 EXCEPT THE EAST 30 FEET FOR ROAD
ROW

35803-000-00 SECTION 2, TOWNSHIP 16 SOUTH, RANGE 22 EAST
35803-006 COMMENCE AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE
SOUTH 1/2 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF THE NORTHEAST
1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4; THENCE WEST 660 FEET,
SOUTH 417.33 FEET, EAST 660 FEET NORTH 417.33 FEET,
EXCEPT THE EAST 30 FEET FOR ROAD ROW

35803-005-00 SECTION 2, TOWNSHIP 16 SOUTH, RANGE 22 EAST
35803-004-00 THE SOUTH 1232.67 FEET OF THE EAST 1/2 OF THE
35803-003-00 SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 EXCEPT THE
35803-002-01 EAST 30 FEET FOR ROAD ROW

35804-001-00 SECTION 2, TOWNSHIP 16 SOUTH, RANGE 22 EAST
35804-002-00 COMMENCE AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE
35804-003-00 SOUTHWEST 1/4, THENCE WEST 30 FEET FOR THE POB,
35804-003-01 SOUTH 707.21 FEET, WEST 867 FEET, NORTH 353.28
35808-000-00 FEET, EAST 105 FEET, THENCE NORTH 353.93 FEET
35808-001-00 EAST 762.58 FEET TO THE POB.
35808-002-00
35808-003-00