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January 30, 2001

Mr. Martin S Friedman
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Docket No. 001660-SU, Application for Amendment of Certificate No. 361-S to extend wastewater service area in Highlands County by Highlands Utilities Corporation

Dear Mr. Friedman:

After reviewing the utility's January 9, 2001 response letter to the Commission's deficiency letter concerning the above referenced docket, the staff has additional questions concerning the proposed territory. Please provide additional information as requested.

1. In reference to those customers being served outside the certificated territory of the utility, please provide the following information:

a.) A detailed explanation concerning the utility's rationale for not amending its certificate at the time service was requested and provided to those customers.

b.) Additional information concerning any special service agreements between these customers and the utility. If they exist, please provide copies of any agreements of that nature.

c.) A detailed description of any facilities, such as lift stations and lines, received as a result of connecting those customers.

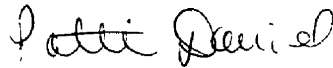
2. In the utility's January 9, 2001 letter, it was indicated that a surveyor has been contacted about providing reliable territory descriptions, and that additional information will be provided in the future. When can we expect this information?

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Please provide the above requested information by no later than February 23, 2001, with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, FL 32399. If you have any questions please call Mr. Stanley Rieger at (850) 413-6970 or Mr. Ralph Jaeger (850) 413-6234.

Sincerely,



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