

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Investigation of the Quality )  
of Service Provided by Florida ) Docket No. 010153-WU  
Water Services, Inc. to the )  
Deltona Service Territory. ) Filed: February 21, 2001  
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**FLORIDA WATER SERVICES CORPORATION'S  
MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
TO FILE ANSWER TO CITIZENS' PETITION TO  
OPEN AN INVESTIGATION OF THE  
QUALITY OF SERVICE PROVIDED BY  
FLORIDA WATER SERVICES CORPORATION TO THE  
DELTONA SERVICE TERRITORY**

Florida Water Services Corporation ("Florida Water"), pursuant to Rule 28-106.204, F.A.C., files this Motion for an Extension of Time to File an Answer to the Petition filed by the Office of the Public Counsel ("OPC") asking the Florida Public Service Commission ("Commission") to open a docket to investigate the quality of service being provided by Florida Water to the Deltona Service Territory and in support thereof, states the following good cause:

1. In September, 2000, Florida Water was notified that midge fly larvae were discovered in water within a Florida Water customer's home in the Deltona area.
2. Florida Water, in cooperation with the Volusia County Health Department, the City of Deltona, and other health environmental agencies, immediately began an investigation to address the existence midge fly larvae in the water.
3. The investigation, intended to find the source of the larvae and fully rectify any possible contamination in the Deltona water system, continues today in cooperation with the Volusia County Health Department, the City of Deltona, and other health and environmental agencies.

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4. The Volusia County Health Department has stated that the larvae do not pose a health threat.

5. Florida Water has taken significant, responsible, professional and timely actions in response to the midge fly larvae occurrence. These actions have been recognized by the Volusia County Health Department as "exemplary."

6. Florida Water, in addition to responding professionally and in a timely manner, is currently in the process of gathering all documents and information pertinent to its investigation for the purpose of providing a comprehensive, detailed Answer to OPC's Petition.

7. Florida Water requests an extension of time of thirty days to file an answer to the petition filed in the instant docket so that undersigned counsel can work with representatives of Florida Water and review all documents and information gathered as a result of Florida Water's investigation for the purpose of filing an answer that fully and accurately addresses the specific allegations raised in OPC's petition.

8. The undersigned has contacted OPC and was advised that OPC has no objection to the granting of an extension of time of 7 days for Florida Water to file its answer to OPC's petition.

WHEREFORE, based on the foregoing good cause, Florida Water respectfully requests an extension of time of up to 30 days to file an answer to the Petition filed in the instant docket.

Respectfully submitted this 21<sup>st</sup> day of February, 2001.

Respectfully submitted,



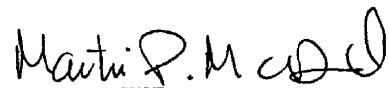
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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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