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and Administrative Services  
Florida Public Service Commission  
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard  
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Re: Aloha Utilities, Inc.; Docket No. 010156-WU  
Request for Increase in Service Availability Charges  
Our File No. 26038.35

Dear Ms. Bayo:

In accordance with recent discussions with members of the commission staff, Aloha Utilities, Inc. hereby grants an extension of six months to the time frame necessary for processing of the above-referenced Application, filed by Aloha Utilities, Inc.

The Utility is willing to agree to this extension, based on the fact that the Utility believes that until such time as certain outstanding issues are clarified concerning the proper treatment changes that the Utility will undertake in the near future, the Utility cannot provide an estimate of the cost of new facilities, nor can the Commission establish an appropriate increase in service availability charges on a going-forward basis. If it is not clear to the Commission already, I want to reiterate that Aloha Utilities, Inc. is not opposed to increases in service availability charges at this time, nor has it been in the past. However, we believe that any such charges established in this proceeding should be based upon accurate information and cost estimates that can only be developed after it is determined what additional facilities the Utility will construct in the future. We will put that cost information together, as soon as some of the issues currently outstanding are clarified, as they relate to this issue.

Based upon the above, Aloha Utilities, Inc. is willing to grant the additional six month extension of time for the Commission to act on the above-referenced Application, as was requested today by the Commission staff. Should you or any members of the staff have any questions in this regard, please let me know.

Sincerely,

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