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RE: Docket No. 011621 Petition for Limited Proceeding to implement an Increase in Water Rates in Highlands County by Placid Lakes Utilities, Inc.

Dear Mr. Hoffman:

Staff has reviewed the petition for Placid Lakes Utilities Limited Proceeding. In order to continue our analysis, we need discovery on the following items:

1. For each individual person in each firm providing services for the applicant, please provide the billing rate, and the itemized description of work performed showing the number of hours associated with each activity. Provide a description and associated cost for all expenses incurred. If rate case consultant invoices are not broken down by hour, please provide a schedule that reflects detail by hour, a description of actual duties performed, and the amount incurred.
2. Explain how the utility funded the plant additions from 1/1/00 through 8/31/01.
3. Please provide a schedule of rate base by component and net operating income as of 12/31/01. If the utility is not able to produce these schedules of rate base and net operating income, provide a copy of the adjusted trial balance as of 12/31/01. If the adjusted trial balance is not available, provide a copy of the unadjusted trial balance as of 12/31/01.
4. Provide the number of customers, by meter size, as of 12/31/01. Also, provide the annual amount of consumption by customer class and meter size.
5. Provide a schedule of O&M Expenses, by primary account, for the year-end December 31, 2001.

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6. Provide an analysis of all actual and projected cost savings associated with the purchase of new meters. This should include, but not be limited to, reductions to materials and supplies, salaries, maintenance, and associated savings of treated water.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Denise-Mounie' Greene". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "D" and "M".

Denise-Mounie' Greene
Accountant

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cc: Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services
Office of General Counsel (Harris)
Division of Economic Regulation (Merchant, Munroe)