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Ms. Blanca S. Bayo, Clerk Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Re:

Highlands Utilities Corporation; Docket No. 001660-SU

Our File No. 28087.12

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed is the original of the Settlement Agreement between Highlands Utilities Corporation and the Town of Lake Placid which resolves the Town of Lake Placid's objection to Highlands Utilities Corporation's application.

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Enclosure

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SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

	THIS SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT is made and entered into this	day of May, 2002
by and b	between HIGHLANDS UTILITIES CORPORATION, a Florida corporation	("HUC") and the
TOWN	OF LAKE PLACID, a municipal corporation under the laws of the State of	Florida ("Town").

RECITALS

WHEREAS, HUC is certified by the Florida Public Service Commission ("FPSC") to provide wastewater service in Highlands County, Florida; and,

WHEREAS, HUC has presently pending in FPSC Docket No. 001660-SU an Application to amend its Certificate; and,

WHEREAS, the Town has filed a timely objection to HUC's Application; and,

WHEREAS, the parties seek to resolve their dispute without time and expense and uncertainty of litigation;

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the mutual covenants set forth herein, the parties agree as follows:

- 1. The foregoing recitations are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference.
- 2. HUC will amend its Application to delete the following areas:
 - A. That area north of Lake Clay Drive and East of U.S. Highway 27.

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That area west of the commercial strip which abuts U.S. Highway 27 on the West, В. as depicted on Exhibit "A" hereof.

3. When the Town has wastewater collection lines to connect Heron's Landing, the Town

may purchase from HUC the lift station at Heron's Landing and the force main from the lift

station to Lake Clay Drive for a price to be negotiated between the parties.

HUC will not object to the Town installing wastewater lines which are adjacent to or 4.

across the wastewater lines of HUC.

The provisions of the Settlement Agreement are not severable and shall become effective 5.

only after the PSC has entered and Order approving this Settlement Agreement in total. In

the event this Settlement Agreement is not approved in whole, without modification, this

Settlement Agreement shall be deemed withdrawn and null and void, and neither party may

use this proposed Settlement Agreement in this or any other proceeding. Following such

approval by the PSC, this Settlement Agreement shall be binding upon the parties hereto

and their respective successors and assigns.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have hereunto set their hands and seals:

HIGHLANDS UTILITIES CORPORATION

TOWN OF LAKE PLACID, FLORIDA

Name:

Its:

Dixon Pugh

President

Name: Gary R. Nichols

Its:

Mayor

