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Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
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Re: Objection to FWS's Application for Original Certificate/June 25,2002, Legal Notice

To whom it may concern:

Please accept this as formal notification of Pasco County's objection to Florida Water Services Corporation's (FWS) application for an original certificate of authorization to provide water and wastewater services to the North 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 6 lying east of U.S. 19 (S.R. 55) as described in the June 25, 2002, Legal Notice.

Pursuant to Section 367.045, Florida Statutes, when applying for an initial certificate of authorization, a utility shall provide information, which "may include . . . the need for service in the area involved, and the existence or nonexistence of service from other sources within geographical proximity to the area in which the applicant seeks to provide service." Sec. 357.045(1)(b), Fla. Stat. As illustrated on the attached map, Pasco County maintains water lines on the County line, including the area in question.

Pasco County also provides wastewater service to the area. Although FWS, or its predecessor, has served one customer in this area since 1989, this service was never authorized. Additionally this area does not have any relation to FWS's service areas in Zephyr Shores and Palm Terrace. Furthermore, this one FWS customer is a wastewater customer of Pasco County. Because of Pasco County's water and wastewater lines and its capability to provide service to this area, there is no need for FWS to provide service there. Rather, FWS should relinquish its one water customer to Pasco County in order to provide uniformity of service to this area.

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Because of Pasco County's existing lines and ability to provide service, along with the fact that Florida Water Services Corporation never obtained authorization to provide service in the past, Pasco County adamantly objects to the application for an original certificate of authorization.

If we can provide any further information, please contact us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Douglas S. Bramlett', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Douglas S. Bramlett  
Assistant County Administrator  
(Utilities Services)

DSB/mr

cc: Florida Wastewater Services Corporation

# HERNANDO COUNTY

