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Hublic Service Commission

November 4, 2002

Rutledge, Ecenia, Purnell & Hoffman Attn: Martin McDonnell 215 South Monroe Street, Suite 420 Tallahassee, FL 32301-1841

Re: Docket No. 020761-WU - Request for approval of revisions to water tariff regarding individual metering of multi-family and multi-unit structures by Florida Water Corporation

Dear Mr. McDonnell:

Pursuant to Order No. PSC-02-1301-PCO-WU, the Commission suspended Florida Water Services Corporation's (Florida Water) revisions to its water tariff regarding individual metering of multi-family and multi-unit structures to allow staff to conduct further investigation of the filing. Thus, please provide written responses and documentation when applicable to the following:

- 1. Has Florida Water applied for approval of a tariff regarding individual metering of multi-family and multi-unit structures in non-jurisdictional counties? If so, please provide the following by county:
 - a) The date when Florida Water requested approval of the tariff?
 - b) Copies of any discovery requests by the county and Florida Water's responses.
 - c) For each tariff that was approved, please provide the tariff and its approval date.
- 2. Have any non-jurisdictional counties denied Florida Water's request to revise its water tariff to include the individual metering policy? If so, please provide the following by county:
 - following by county: a) Copies of any discovery requests by the county and Florida Water's responses.

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- b) Copies of any documentation that the county provided explaining its decision to deny the tariff request.
- 3. Are there any non-jurisdictional counties that Florida Water is aware of that prohibit individual metering of multi-family and multi-unit structures? If so, please provide copies of the related ordinances for each county.
- 4. In Florida Water's filing, of July 16, 2002, the company cited a permit recently issued by the St. John's River Water Management District as an example that individual metering tariffs are becoming commonplace. Was the permit issued to Florida Water? If not, to whom was the permit issued?
- 5. In the filing of July 16, 2002, it was indicated that Florida Water implemented a policy in 1996 mandating individual metering for all multi-residential housing. What prompted Florida Water to codify the policy in its tariff? Has there been any resistance to the policy by builders? Who would be affected by the policy? Please explain.

Please provide responses by December 6, 2002. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me at (850) 413-7021.

Sincerely, Shannon I. Hudson

Shannon J. Hudson Regulatory Analyst

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