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HAND DELIVER

Ms. Blanca S. Bayo, Director Division Clerk and Administrative Services Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Betty Easley Conference Center, Room 110 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Re: Hudson Utilities, Inc., Docket No. 020254-SU

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed please find the original and fifteen copies of Hudson Utilities, Inc.'s ("Hudson") Progress Report.

Please acknowledge receipt of these documents by date-stamping the enclosed copy of this letter and returning it to the undersigned.

Sincerely,

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Application of Hudson Utilities, Inc. for increase in service availability charges for wastewater customers in Pasco County, Florida.

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Docket No. 020254-SU

Filed: March 15, 2004

PROGRESS REPORT

Pursuant to Order No. PSC-03-0889-PCO-SU issued August 4, 2003 in Docket Nos. 981079-SU, and 020254-SU, Hudson Utilities, Inc. ("Hudson") hereby files its Monthly Progress Report addressing the progress of construction of the sewers and other wastewater infrastructure in the Signal Cove service area.

1. In Order No. PSC-03-0889-PCO-SU (the "Order"), the Florida Public Service Commission ("Commission") granted Hudson's Motion for Extension of Time to file proof of the transfer of the Signal Cove service territory from Pasco County to Hudson. In the Order, the Commission stated:

Hudson shall file monthly progress reports in Docket No. 020254-SU, listing total expenses to date, anticipated remaining expenses, and an estimated date to complete construction to Signal Cove. The first monthly progress report shall be due on September 11, 2003. Order, pages 14-15.

2. Hudson has fulfilled its commitment to service the Signal Cove service territory. The construction project proceeded in a timely manner subject only to some delays due to inclement weather. Pasco County Utilities ("PCU") is installing new water lines under streets that are being re-paved for the Signal Cove Project. Currently 100% of the residents of Signal Cove have access to wastewater service. Hudson is still in the process of re-paving the roads that were under

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construction for installation of the new water lines by PCU. In response to the Commission's specific request in Order No. 03-0889-PCO-SU, Hudson submits the following:

a. Total expenses to date

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Response: As of March 12, 2004, Hudson has expended \$536,644 on the construction of the Signal Cove project.

b. Anticipated Remaining Expenses

Response: As of March 12, 2004, Hudson estimates the remaining expenses for the project to be \$138,074.

c. Estimated Date to Complete Construction to Signal Cove

Response: Hudson has been fully capable of providing wastewater service to all residents of Signal Cove since approximately February 18, 2004. Hudson expects that the road re-paving project will be completed by April 6, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a copy of the foregoing Progress Report was furnished by United States Mail to the following, this <u>15</u> day of March, 2004:

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