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FROM:

Wayne L. Schiefelbein Wayne

Of Counsel

RE:

Chesapeake Utilities Corporation

DATE:

December 21, 2005

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On behalf of Chesapeake Utilities Corporation, enclosed for filing are an original and 15 copies of a Request for Authorization to Maintain Accounting Records Outside of the State of Florida. I have also included one copy to be date stamped and returned to me.

PLEASE OPEN A NEW DOCKET TO PROCESS THE REQUEST.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call.

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Request by Chesapeake
Utilities Corporation for
Authorization to Maintain
Accounting Records Outside
of the State of Florida

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Filed: December 21, 2005

REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO MAINTAIN ACCOUNTING RECORDS OUTSIDE OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA

Chesapeake Utilities Corporation (the Company) requests that the Commission authorize the Company to maintain various accounting records at the Company's corporate office located in Dover, Delaware, rather than at the Company's Florida Division office within the State of Florida, and in support of its request states:

1. The name and addresses of the Applicant are:

Chesapeake Utilities Corporation 909 Silver Lake Blvd. Dover, DE 19904

and

Chesapeake Utilities Corporation, Florida Division 1015 16th Street N.W. Winter Haven, FL 33882

2. The name, address, telephone number, and facsimile number of Applicant's counsel are:

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- 3. The Company seeks Commission authorization to maintain various accounting records pertaining to its Florida Division at the Company's corporate office in Dover, Delaware, rather that at the Florida Division office in Winter Haven, Florida, pursuant to Rule 25-7.015, Florida Administrative Code.
- 4. The Company is centralizing its accounting functions to reduce the cost of complying with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act. Centralization of accounting records reduces internal accounting and auditing costs and will also decrease the cost of the external audit by outside auditors.
- 5. Information contained in the Company's accounting records pertinent to the Florida Division can be made available through the Florida Division's computer access in its Winter Haven office.
- 6. The Company understands and will fully comply with the requirements of Rule 25-7.015(2) pertaining to reimbursement of out-of-state travel expenses by Commission representatives incurred during any review of Florida Division records or production of Florida Division records in the State of Florida upon request by Commission representatives.

WHEREFORE, Chesapeake Utilities Corporation requests that the Commission authorize the Company to maintain various accounting records pertaining to its Florida Division at the Company's corporate office in Dover, Delaware, pursuant to Rule 25-7.015(1), Florida Administrative Code, subject to the requirements of Rule 25-7.015(2), Florida Administrative Code.

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Respectfully submitted this	<u> </u>	1)ECEMBER	, 200

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