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Docket No. 060165-WS; Plantation Bay Utility Co.'s Application for Amendment of RE: Certificates of Authorization (The Reserve; Dixie Commons) Our File No.: 36062.07

Dear Richard:

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SEC

This letter is in response to your May 15, 2006 correspondence when you raised several questions regarding the special service availability agreements which serve as the basis for Plantation Bay Utility Company filing this application to amend its water and wastewater certificates.

- 1. The cost justification to support the service availability charge is contained in CMP a report prepared by Quentin L. Hampton Associates, Inc. and I have enclosed the page from that report by which the aforementioned fee was COM _____ recommended. CTR
- ECR 2. As you are aware, it is only under very rare circumstances that a utility can be forced to serve customers outside of its certificated territory. Frankly, GCL Plantation Bay Utility Company was not willing to serve the new customers OPC unless they paid their fair share of the burden which they will be placing on the water and wastewater facilities. There is no doubt but that Plantation Ba $\sqrt{2}$ RCA Utility Company must provide service within its certificated territory in SCR accordance with its approved tariff, however, since these proposed developments are not within the certificated territory and Plantation $Ba\overline{w}$ Utility Company has no obligation to extend to provide service to them they are not a "customer" until they are within the utility's service area. There care OTH be no discrimination since the rights of persons within the utility's service area are clearly different from those outside of the service area. Please keep in $\overline{}$

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> mind that the new developers who entered into these Agreements are completely satisfied with the financial terms. It is obvious that it is more financially feasible to connect to the Plantation Bay Utility Company water and wastewater systems than to construct their own systems. Plantation Bay Utility Company calculated a fair and reasonable charge to these developers that was based on an engineering analysis, which was certainly not the highest amount which could have been extracted from these developers had Plantation Bay Utility Company determined to charge these developers based upon the value to the developer as opposed to the proportionate cost of the burden which they will place upon the water and wastewater systems of Plantation Bay Utility Company. Keep in mind that discrimination must occur within the same class of persons and there is no doubt but that persons within a utility service area are at a different class than those outside of a utility service area.

3. We do not believe that the pending rate case has any bearing on the rates and charges set forth in the special service availability Agreements and we suggest that the Commission go forward with this docket in order not to unduly delay these developments. That rate case has been protested and will go to formal hearing and likely not completed until late this year.

Should you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

MARTIN S. FRIEDMAN For the Firm

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cc: Ms. Blanca Bayo, PSC Clerk (w/enclosure) Mr. Douglas R. Ross (w/enclosures)

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IMPACT FEES

The individual components of the water and wastewater systems were reviewed. The capital cost per gallon of capacity for each component was established. A rate recommendation has been made for water and wastewater fees.

WASTEWATER SYSTEM		
Proposed Improvements	\$3,136,000	
Shared Improvements (50%)	\$638,000	
Costs for Expansion	\$2,498,000	
Total Units to Be Served	4,000 – 5,400	
Units Served by Expansion	2,000 - 2,700	
Fee Recommended	\$1,249	

WATER SYSTEM	
Proposed Improvements	\$3,965,000
Shared Improvements (50%)	
Wells	\$229,000
Other	\$83,000
Cost for Expansion	\$3,653,000
Total Units to be Served	4,000 - 5,400
Units Served by Expansion	2,000 - 2,700
Fee Recommended	\$1,826