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# Public Service Commission

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**Re: Docket No. 060601-WS, Application of Grove Utilities, Inc. for original water and wastewater certificates in Okeechobee County, Florida**

Dear Mr. Jenkins:

As you are aware, the application does not contain a cost study showing the projected costs, expenses, and capital structure for the proposed development. Accordingly, the application must be considered deficient until the Commission has had an opportunity to vote on the utility's Motion for Temporary Waiver at an upcoming agenda conference.

As you may also be aware, on October 31, 2006, the Department of Community Affairs (DCA) filed their comments on the application with respect to the need for service and comprehensive plan consistency (copy of letter attached). While the proposed development is not consistent with Okeechobee County's current comprehensive plan, the DCA recognizes that the County is preparing plan amendments to accommodate the development. In order for staff to advise the Commission of the effort being undertaken in this matter, please provide the utility's estimate for when the Development of Regional Impact will be approved including the timeline for the developer to complete the process.


If you have any questions about the information being requested, please feel free to call either myself or my staff, Ms. Patricia Brady at (850) 413-6686 [pbrady@psc.state.fl.us](mailto:pbrady@psc.state.fl.us) and Mr. Richard Redemann at (850) 413-6999 [redeman@psc.state.fl.us](mailto:redeman@psc.state.fl.us), or staff's legal counsel, Mr. Ralph Jaeger, Esq. at (850) 413-6234 [rjaeger@psc.state.fl.us](mailto:rjaeger@psc.state.fl.us).

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Chief of Certification

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October 30, 2006

The Division of the Commission Clerk and  
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060601-WS

Re: PSC Docket No. ~~06061-WS~~; Application of The Grove Utilities, Inc. for Original  
 Water and Wastewater Certificates in Okeechobee County, Florida.

The Department has reviewed the application of The Grove Utilities for original certificates in Okeechobee County concerning need for service and comprehensive plan consistency. The proposed project is not consistent with the current comprehensive plan, although it is our understanding that an amendment is being prepared which would make it consistent. If the plan is amended and found in compliance so that the proposed project is consistent with it, then a central water and sewer utility system such as the Grove Utilities would be appropriate.

A DRI pre-application package was submitted to DCA on May 22, 2006 and the Central Florida Regional Planning Council held a pre-application meeting on June 6, 2006. Staff has conferred with Okeechobee's Director of Planning, William Royce, and he indicated that the County is preparing comprehensive plan amendments to accommodate the development.

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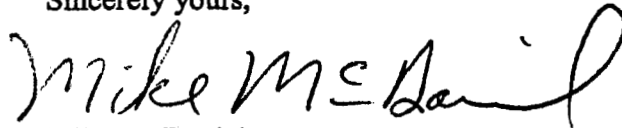
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~~Ms. Patti Daniel, Supervisor~~  
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If you have any questions, please contact Tom Tumminia, Community Planner at  
(850) 922-1824.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mike McDaniel". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Mike McDaniel  
Regional Planning Administrator

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cc: Mr. William Royce, Okeechobee County Planning Department  
Ms. Patricia Steed, Central Florida Regional Planning Council