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## STAFF'S THIRD DATA REQUEST

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**Re:** Docket No. 060285-SU - Application for increase in wastewater rates in Charlotte County by Utilities, Inc. of Sandalhaven

Dear Mr. Friedman:

This data request is a follow-up to a telephone conversation yesterday with Mr. Patrick Flynn, Regional Director for Utilities, Inc.'s Florida subsidiaries. Staff needs the following information to complete our review of the application.

- 1. With regard to the Lift Station No. 4 Force Main Repair and the Master Lift Station and Force Main projects, please provide a copy of all signed contracts and invoices for these projects.
- 2. The following questions relate to the projected \$200,000 plant addition in 2007 for force mains in order to redirect flow from existing customers served by the existing wastewater treatment plant to the EWD for treatment.

(a) provide a copy of any signed contracts, invoices, and the utility's approved "Capital Project Request" from the Integrated Solutions System for this project;

(b) if this project has not been through the bidding process, provide the status of the engineering and permitting efforts;

(c) provide the actual or projected completion date for this project;

(d) do the \$200,000 estimated costs include the sub-master lift station that Mr. Flynn stated would be required in order to redirect flow from existing customers served by the existing wastewater treatment plant to the EWD for treatment; and

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ന ന (e) if the answer to Question 2.(c) above is "no", provide the same information requested in Questions 2.(a) through 2.(c) above for the sub-master lift station.

3. The following questions relate to the options Utilities, Inc. of Sandalhaven (Sandalhaven or utility) considered before its decision to interconnect with the Englewood Water District (EWD).

(a) what other treatment and/or disposal options did Sandalhaven consider;

(b) did the utility perform a cost benefit/effectiveness analysis of these options;

(c) if the answer to Question 3.(b) above is "yes", provide a copy of the cost benefit/effectiveness analysis; and

(d) if the answer to Question 3.(b) above is "no", explain why Sandalhaven did not perform such analysis before interconnecting with the EWD.

4. In the telephone discussion with Mr. Flynn, he had indicated that the Master Lift Station & Force Main project was completed this week.

(a) what is or will be the exact date this project was or will be placed into service;

(b) is it correct that no flows from existing customers, other than perhaps any present customers associated with the Hammocks at Cape Haze and Cape Haze Resort, can be sent to the EWD until the force mains and the sub-master lift station, discussed in Questions 2.(a) through 2.(e) above, are completed;

(c) if the answer to Question 4.(b) above is "yes", explain why the utility's existing customers should pay for any of the interconnection costs to the EWD until such time the flows from existing customers served by the existing wastewater treatment plant are redirected to the EWD for treatment;

(d) if the answer to Question 4.(b) above is "no", provide the total number of existing customers, and the associated gallon per day (gpd) flows that are presently being sent to the EWD;

(e) provide the total present customers, by meter sizes, and the associated wastewater flows for the Hammocks at Cape Haze and Cape Haze Resort;

(f) provide the total projected 2007 year-end customers, by meter sizes, and the associated wastewater flows for the Hammocks at Cape Haze and Cape Haze Resort, including the basis and support documentation the utility relied on for these projections;

(g) provide the total number of customers, by meter sizes, at build-out for the Hammocks at Cape Haze and Cape Haze Resort, including the basis and support documentation the utility relied on for the build-out projections;

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(h) prior to the completion of the force mains and the sub-master lift station discussed above, are there flows from any other developments that the utility is or will be sending to the EWD; and

(i) if the answer to Question 4.(h) is "yes", provide the same information requested in Questions 4.(e) through 4.(g) above for the other developments.

Due to the 5-month statutory timeframe for this docket, staff needs an expedited response from the utility. Please submit the above information to the Office of the Commission Clerk by May 10, 2007. If you have any questions, please contact me by phone at (850) 413-7017 or by e-mail at <u>bart.fletcher@psc.state.fl.us</u>.

Sincerely,

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