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Ms. Ann Cole, Commission Clerk Office of Administrative Services Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399

RE: Docket No. 080582 Application for Expansion of Utility Service Area, Gold Coast Utility Corporation in Polk County

Dear Ms. Cole:

The Department of Community Affairs has completed its review of the Gold Coast Utility Corporation application to the Public Service Commission to expand its utility service area. The Department reviewed the proposed utility service expansion for consistency with the Polk County Comprehensive Plan.

The area of expansion included the Lake Saddlebag Resort Community, an existing platted subdivision, located north of SR 60 in South-Central Polk County. It is our understanding that the expansion is needed in order to service existing land uses within the proposed expansion area and that there are no major development plans that would require an amendment to the County Comprehensive Plan. The Department has not identified any potential inconsistency between the proposed service area expansion and the Polk County Comprehensive Plan.

If you have any questions, please contact Dan Evans, AICP, Principal Planner, at (850) 922-1805.

Sincerely,

Mike McDaniel, Chief

Office of Comprehensive Planning

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Ms. Chanda Bennett, Principal Planner, Polk County Planning Department

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