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RE: Docket No. 080613-SU; Silver Lake Utilities, Inc.'s Application for Amendment to Wastewater Certificate No. 546-S to Extend its Service Area in Highlands County, Florida  
Our File No.: 43005.03

Dear Richard:

This letter is in response to your request that Silver Lake Utilities, Inc. file a written response to the comments provided by the Department of Community Affairs in its November 14, 2008 correspondence to Patti Daniel. I will preface my comments by reminding you that pursuant to Section 367.045(5)(b), Florida Statutes, the Commission need not consider whether the issuance of the Amendment is inconsistent with the local comprehensive plan unless a timely objection is filed raising that issue. There have been no objections filed with regard to the Application by Silver Lake Utilities, Inc., in this docket.

The proposed extension of wastewater service encompasses a proposed development of regional impact known as Lake Placid Groves. The Lake Placid Groves development of regional impact project narrative summary was completed in January 2008. This Pre- Application conference document and information was submitted to the Central Florida Regional Planning Counsel and the Department of Community Affairs. It is anticipated that the Application of Development of Regional Impact and Application for Development Approval will be submitted to Highlands County in December 2008.

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As recognized by the DCA, this property is currently allowed a density of one dwelling unit per five (5) acres which would be approximately 414 dwelling units. The current comprehensive plan requires that subdivisions of such agricultural properties cluster development. See, Future Land Use Policy 1.3 E.4. Therefore, even at densities permitted under the current comprehensive plan, development of the property would require central wastewater service. Thus, we believe that it is appropriate for the Commission to grant the Application of Silver Lake Utilities, Inc., in this docket without regard to consistency with the comprehensive plan.

Very truly yours,



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