

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In re: Application for increase in water/wastewater rates in Alachua, Brevard, DeSoto, Hardee, Highlands, Lake, Lee, Marion, Orange, Palm Beach, Pasco, Polk, Putnam, Seminole, Sumter, Volusia, and Washington Counties by Aqua Utilities Florida, Inc.

DOCKET NO. 100330-WS

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WITNESS: Direct Testimony of Ryan Schwarb
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DIRECT TESTIMONY OF RYAN SCHWARB

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2 Q. Please state your name and business address.

3 A. Ryan Schwarb, Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), DEP South
4 District, 2295 Victoria Ave., Suite 364, Fort Myers, FL 33901.

5 Q. Please provide a brief description of your educational background and experience.

6 A. I have a Bachelors Degree in Zoology, and three years of potable water compliance
7 and enforcement with the DEP South District.

8 Q. What are your general responsibilities at the Department of Environmental Protection?

9 A. My duties include Compliance and Enforcement inspections of potable water facilities
10 in Highlands and Glades Counties.

11 Q. Are you familiar with the AUF water systems in Highlands County, particularly the
12 Lake Josephine Heights PWS# 6280162, Sebring Lakes Water PWS# 5284137 and
13 Leisure Lakes PWS# 6280064?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. Are these systems in compliance with all applicable construction permits?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. Have any of these AUF systems been the subject of any DEP compliance enforcement
18 action within the past three years?

19 A. No.

20 Q. Other than any violations discussed above, is AUF in compliance with all DEP
21 requirements for their water systems in Highlands County?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. Is the overall operation and maintenance of these water treatment plants and
24 distribution facilities satisfactory?

25 A. Yes.

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1 Q. Do you have anything further to add?

2 A. No, I do not.

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