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November 26, 2012

Pinecrest Utilities, LLC Attn: Mike Smallridge P.O. Box 1798 Eaton Park, FL 33840

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Re: Docket No. 120269-WU - Application for staff-assisted rate case in Polk County by **Pinecrest Utilities, LLC**

Dear Mr. Smallridge:

We have determined eligibility for staff assistance in the above referenced case filed by Pinecrest Utilities, LLC (Pinecrest or Utility). We find that the Utility is eligible for the staff assisted rate case (SARC) filing. However, we note that the Utility owes interest and penalty charges totaling \$73.48 for late payment of its 2011 regulatory assessment fees. Please contact Commission staff by December 26, 2012, to either pay the outstanding balance or advise staff when payment will be made.

The staff engineer has determined the filing fee in this rate case is \$500. The fee is based on the capacity of the Utility's systems as provided by Section 367.145(2) of the Florida Statutes. The filing fees must be received by December 26, 2012, which is the official filing date for this rate case.

Section 367.091(2), Florida Statutes, provides:

Upon filing an application for new rates, the utility shall mail a copy of the application to the chief executive officer of the governing body of each county within the service areas included in the rate request. The governing body may petition the commission for leave to intervene in the rate change proceeding and the commission shall grant intervenor status to any governing body that files a petition.

Please forward a copy of Pinecrest's application for a SARC to the Chief Executive Officer of Polk County as required by law, and copy the Commission as proof that an application was forwarded to them. LUNG DE L'HUNG LO 15

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Members of Commission staff will contact you to schedule a convenient time for examination of the Utility's books, records and physical plant. If you have any questions regarding the rate proceeding, please call Shannon Hudson at (850) 413-7021.

Sincerely,

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 cc: Division of Accounting and Finance (Prestwood, Mouring, Barrett, Golden) Division of Economics (Hudson, Bruce) Division of Engineering (Vickery, McRoy, Ellis) Office of General Counsel (Murphy) Division of Commission Clerk (Docket No. 120269-WU)