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## Public Service Commission

October 30, 2013

Lake Placid Utilities, Inc. Attn: Mr. Patrick C. Flynn, Regional Director 200 Weathersfield Avenue Altamonte Springs, Florida 32714-4027 COMMISSION

Re: Docket No. 130243-WS, Application for staff-assisted rate case in Highlands County by Lake Placid Utilities, Inc.

Dear Mr. Flynn:

We have determined eligibility for staff assistance in the above referenced case filed by Lake Placid Utilities Inc. (Lake Placid or Utility). We find that the Utility is eligible for the staff-assisted rate case (SARC) filing.

The staff engineer has determined the filing fee in this rate case is \$2,000 (\$1,000 for water and \$1,000 for wastewater). The fee is based on the capacity of the Utility's systems as provided by Section 367.145(2) of the Florida Statutes (F.S.). The filing fees must be received November 29, 2013, which is the official filing date for this rate case. Pursuant to Rule 25-30.455(9), Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), the Commission will deny the application if a utility does not remit the fee within 30 days after official acceptance, as provided by Section 367.145, F.S., and paragraph 25-30.020(2)(f), F.A.C.

Section 367.091(2), F.S., 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 Lake Placid's application for a SARC to the chief executive officer of Highlands County as required by law, and copy the Commission as proof that an application was forwarded to them.

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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 Martha Golden at (850) 413-7015 or Matthew Vogel at (850) 413-6453.

Sincerely,
My Ill Willy -

Marshall Willis

Director

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cc: Mr. Martin S. Friedman, Esquire

Ms. Kirsten Markwell

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