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DATE: March 1, 2016

TO: Carlotta S. Stauffer, Commission Clerk, Office of Commission Clerk

FROM: Sonica C. Bruce, Economic Analyst, Division of Economics *SA* *SB*

RE: Docket No. 150149-WS - Application for staff-assisted rate case in Glades and Highlands Counties by Silver Lake Utilities, Inc.

The attached document was sent to the Division of Economics via email. Please incorporate this document into the docket file.

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Sonica Bruce

From: Chris Shoemaker <Chris.Shoemaker@LykesRanch.com>
Sent: Monday, February 29, 2016 2:11 PM
To: Sonica Bruce
Subject: Re: Silver Lakes

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 26, 2016, at 2:30 PM, Sonica Bruce <SBruce@PSC.STATE.FL.US> wrote:

As per our phone conversation, below are the same questions I asked during our conversation. Please provide the answers to staff 's questions to allow other staff members the opportunity to review the utility's responses. Again, thank you for diligently working with staff.

- 1) Please explain how the revenues associated with any residential or general service connections are billed and collected for water service.

The water meters are read on a monthly basis. The bills are sent out following the meter reads. Three bills are sent, one each to the ranch division, the citrus division and the Brighton baptist church. The bill lists the address meter number gallons consumed and charge for water and base fee

- 2) It is staff's understanding that the LB Ranch and Citrus Divisions of Lykes Brothers pay the monthly service revenues to the utility for all connections except the Brighton Church. Please explain how the Ranch and Citrus divisions obtain the funds to pay the revenues associated with each connection's water bill.

The ranch and citrus divisions pay their bills out of operating expense funds. The church pays their monthly bill and, upon receipt, Lykes makes a monthly donation to the church in the amount of the bill

- 3) Do any of the utility's customers individually pay for monthly water usage?
No, none of the individual customers pay for water service