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DATE:	April 25, 2016
то:	Carlotta S. Stauffer, Commission Clerk, Office of Commission Clerk
FROM:	Clayton Lewis, US Engineering Specialist, Division of Engineering full CKL
RE:	DN 150010-WS – Application for staff-assisted rate case in Brevard County by Aquarina Utilities, Inc.

Please file the attached "Letter from our Association President", in the "Consumer side of the Correspondence Tab" in the above mentioned Docket File.

Thank you.

## **Terri Jones**

From:	Clayton Lewis
Sent:	Monday, April 25, 2016 1:48 PM
То:	Terri Jones
Subject:	FW: Aquarina Utilities Inc. PSC Docket No. 150010-WS
Attachments:	PSC Mgmt Audit Request.pdf; ATT00001.htm

Please add this email and the attached document to the correspondence side of Docket No. 150010-WS

Thank you

From: Don Schwinn [mailto:donschwinn@comcast.net]
Sent: Monday, April 25, 2016 8:07 AM
To: Clayton Lewis; sayler.erik@leg.state.fl.us; merchant.tricia@leg.state.fl.us
Cc: Cappsfl; Jim Royer; Dick Omrod; Patrick Pollock
Subject: Aquarina Utilities Inc. PSC Docket No. 150010-WS

Attached for your information is a letter from our Association President requesting a Management Audit of the Utility.

The letter has been faxed to the Commission Clerk.

Donald Schwinn Member Water Utility Committee Aquarina Community Services Association

## Aquarina Community Services Association 450 Aquarina Blvd Melbourne Beach FL 32951

22 April 2016

Director, Office of the Commission Clerk Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re: PSC Docket No. 150010-WS Aquarina Utilities Rate Increase Request for Management Audit

Dear Commission Members and Staff:

This letter is to request that the PSC conduct a Management Audit of Aquarina Utilities Inc in accordance with PSC Chapter 350.117. It is apparent to us that the management of the utility is haphazard and not in keeping with regulatory utility practices. For example, the Commission staff's preliminary report states that the utility had no complaints in 2014 yet our users have stated there were many. It is obvious that the utility's recording of complaints is woefully incomplete. Management issues that require major improvement include:

- Records of complaints
- Failure to issue boil water notices
- Poor responses to complaints
- Erroneous meter readings
- Failure to notify Fire Department of lack of hydrant pressure
- Infrequent water main flushing
- Erroneous billing
- Lack of system maps and records
- Excessively tardy responses to serious water quality and repair issues.

We believe that unless these deficiencies are eliminated the utility is not entitled to a rate increase.

Very truly yours,

Patrick J Pollock President Aquarina Community Services Association

cc via email:

Erik L. Sayler Tricia Merchant Clayton Lewis