BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Application for an increase in water and wastewater rates in Charlotte, Highlands, Lake, Lee, Marion, Orange, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, and Seminole Counties by Utilities, Inc. of Florida

Docket No. 160101-WS

DIRECT TESTIMONY

OF

JARED DEASON

on behalf of

Utilities, Inc. of Florida

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1 Q.	Please state your,	name profession	and address.
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- 2 A. My name is Jared Deason. I am a Financial Analyst for Utilities, Inc. of Florida. My business
- address is 200 Weathersfield Ave., Altamonte Springs, FL 32714.

4 Q. State briefly your educational background and experience.

- 5 A. I have a Bachelors Degree in Applied Economics from Florida State University. I have
- 6 approximately 6 years of experience in the utility industry, the last year of which has been
- with Utilities, Inc. I joined UI in June 2015 as a Financial Analyst assigned to the Florida
- region. I was previously employed by the Florida Public Service Commission in the years
- 9 2007 to 2011 as a Regulatory Analyst IV assigned to the water and wastewater section of
- the former Division of Economic Regulation.

11 Q. On whose behalf are you presenting this testimony?

- 12 A. I am presenting this testimony and appearing on behalf of Utilities, Inc. of Florida. (UIF), the
- applicant for rate increase in the present docket.

14 Q. What is the purpose of your direct testimony?

- 15 A. The purpose of my direct testimony is to sponsor the billing analysis, allocation schedules
- and the Water Services Corporation Operating Agreement.

17 Q. Are you sponsoring any exhibits?

- 18 A. Yes, I am sponsoring 3 exhibits. Exhibit JD-1 is the billing analysis schedules. Exhibit JD-2
- is a CD with the allocation schedules required by Commission Rule 25-30.436(4)(h). Exhibit
- JD-3 is the Water Management Services Operating Agreement required by Commission Rule
- 21 **25-30.436(4)(h).**
- 22 Q. Were these Exhibits prepared by you and your staff under your supervision and
- 23 control?
- 24 A. Yes they were, except for the Water Management Services Operating Agreement which is a
- business record of Utilities, Inc. of Florida, and the allocation schedules which are prepared

at the parent company level, and are also a business record of Utilities, Inc. of Florida. Q. Does that conclude your direct testimony? A. Yes