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**DATE:** May 5, 2017

**TO:** Carlotta Stauffer, Commission Clerk

**FROM:** Mary Anne Helton, Deputy General Counsel

**RE:** Docket 160101-WS - Application for increase in water and wastewater rates in

Charlotte, Highlands, Lake, Lee, Marion, Orange, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, and

Seminole Counties by Utilities, Inc. of Florida.

Please place the attached email correspondence to House Speaker Corcoran, Senate Majority Simpson, and Pasco Co. Tax Collector Mike Fasano in the above referenced docket file.

Thank you.

MAH/nah

### **Nancy Harrison**

From: Mary Anne Helton

**Sent:** Friday, May 05, 2017 4:32 PM

To: SIMPSON.WILTON@flsenate.gov; richard.corcoran@myfloridahouse.gov

Cc: Office of Commissioner Brown; 'jared.ochs@myfloridahouse.gov'; 'Rogers.rachel@flsenate.gov'; 'mikemoore@pascocountyfl.net';

'mwells@pascocountyfl.net'; 'roakley@pascocountyfl.net'; 'kstarkey@pascocountyfl.net';

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'rmarin@pascocountyfl.net'; Katherine Fleming; 'john.truitt@dep.state.fl.us';

bbilenky@mansonbolves.com

**Subject:** RE: Utilities Inc. Summertree Water System

Attachments: CorcoranLetter5-5-17.pdf

Dear Speaker Corcoran and Senate Majority Leader Simpson:

Please see the attached response to your letter to Chairman Brown.

Mary Anne Helton Deputy General Counsel Florida Public Service Commission mhelton@psc.state.fl.us 850.413.6096

From: Ochs, Jared [mailto:Jared.Ochs@myfloridahouse.gov]

Sent: Friday, April 28, 2017 10:03 AM

To: 'Flip Mellinger'; Office of Commissioner Brown; 'Mary.Yeargan@dep.state.fl.us'

**Cc:** Mike Moore; Mike Wells; Ron Oakley; Kathryn Starkey; Jack Mariano; Michele Baker; Jeffrey Steinsnyder; 'Mike Fasano'; 'Ann Marie Ryan'; Simpson, Wilton; Perrin, Rachel; Sayler, Erik; Braulio Baez; Mark Futrell; 'Brian Armstrong';

Michael J. Carballa; Robert G. Marin; 'Patrick Flynn'; John Hoy; 'kevin.cleary@dep.state.fl.us'; 'Ralph Lair'

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Commissioner Brown,

Please see the attached letter from Majority Leader Simpson and Speaker Corcoran.

Jared M. Ochs Office of the Speaker 850-717-5000

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May 5, 2017

--via e-mail--

The Honorable Richard Corcoran Speaker, Florida House of Representatives Room 420, The Capitol, 402 S. Monroe St. Tallahassee, FL 32399-1100

The Honorable Wilton Simpson Senate Majority Leader, Florida Senate Room 330, Senate Office Building 404 S. Monroe St. Tallahassee, FL 32399-1300

Re: 160101-WS – Application for increase in water and wastewater rates in Charlotte, Highlands, Lake, Lee, Marion, Orange, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, and Seminole Counties by Utilities, Inc. of Florida.

Dear Speaker Corcoran and Senate Majority Leader Simpson:

Thank you for your letter dated April 28, 2017, concerning the Summertree community located in Pasco County. Because there is an ongoing rate case docket involving Utilities, Inc. of Florida (UIF), which includes the Summertree system, the Chairman's office asked me to respond. Section 350.041(2)(f), Florida Statutes, prohibits Florida Public Service Commissioners from making any public comments related to the merits of pending proceedings.

The Commission is always concerned that customers served by utilities it regulates receive adequate, safe, and reliable service at fair and reasonable rates. One factor the Commission considers when setting rates for any water and wastewater utility is the quality of service. As you know, we have scheduled an additional customer service hearing on May 8, 2017, in addition to the 8 service hearings we held throughout Central Florida, so that customers may submit additional testimony concerning the quality of service they receive from UIF.

Internet E-mail: contact@psc.state.fl.us

We also expect there to be substantial testimony concerning the utility's quality of service during the technical hearing starting May 8, 2017. This testimony will include information about the water quality of the Summertree system. The Commission is scheduled to vote on UIF's quality of service, including that of the Summertree system, as well as the other issues raised in the rate case, on July 12, 2017.

Please do not hesitate to call if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Mary Anne Helton

Deputy General Counsel

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cc: (via email)

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Subject:

Response to May 1, 2017, Letter from Mike Fasano, Tax Collector

Attachments:

FasanoLetter5-5-17.pdf

Dear Mr. Fasano:

Please see the attached letter in response to your letter to Chairman Brown.

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