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Februrary 25, 2022

Mr. Michael Smallridge Leighton Estates Utilities, LLC 5911 Trouble Creek Blvd. New Port Richey, FL 35652-5128 mike@fus1llc.com

VIA EMAIL

Re: Docket No. 20220026-WU, Application for staff-assisted rate case in Marion County, and request for interim rate increase, by Leighton Estates Utilities, LLC.

Dear Mr. Smallridge:

Staff has completed its initial review of your application and has determined Leighton Estates Utilities, LLC is eligible for a staff-assisted rate case (SARC). The filing fee for this rate case is \$500 based on the capacity of the Utility's water system as provided by 367.145(2), Florida Statutes and Rule 25-30.020(2)(f), Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.). The filing fee must be received by March 28, 2022, which would be the official filing date for this rate case. Pursuant to Rule 25-30.455(8), F.A.C., the Commission will deny the application if the utility does not remit the filing fee within 30 days after official acceptance.

Please forward a copy of Leighton's application for a SARC to the Chief Executive Officer of Marion County. This is required by Section 367.091(2), F.S., which states:

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 area 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 intervener status to any governing body that files a petition.

Please file an affidavit stating that this requirement has been fulfilled. The affidavit should be sent to the address below. Please include the docket number (20220026-WU).

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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 other items as needed. If you have any questions regarding the proceeding, please contact Matthew Sibley by phone at (850) 413-6516 or email at msibley@psc.state.fl.us.

Sincerely,

Judy Harlow

Director of Economics

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cc: Office of Commission Clerk (Docket No. 20220026-WU)

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