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Public Service Commission

October 20, 1999

Mr. Anthony Staiano, President Park Water Company, Inc. 25 First Avenue North Lake Wales, FL 33853

Re: Docket No. 991627-WU - Application of Park Water Company, Inc. For an Increase in Water Rates and Charges in Polk County - Test Year Approval

Dear Mr. Staiano:

We have received your letter dated September 30, 1999, requesting approval for Park Water Company, Inc. (Park Water) to use an historical base year ended December 31, 1998 and a projected test year ended December 31, 1999 for final rates. Further, you stated that the utility will file its application using the Proposed Agency Action (PAA) provision in Section 367.081(8), Florida Statutes. The utility's test year request as outlined above is hereby approved. You should also be aware that if you do not elect to request the PAA process in your application, prefiled direct testimony must be filed with the minimum filing requirements (MFRs).

For administrative purposes only, Docket No. 991627-WU has been assigned to the forthcoming case. Your petition will be deemed filed on the date that the Division of Records and Reporting receives the complete petition, revised tariff sheets, the MFRs, testimony (if not requesting PAA), and the filing fee. To minimize any regulatory lag that may occur, we request that you file the above no later than December 1, 1999. Because of the difficulty in scheduling hearing dates, it is not anticipated that an extension of this filing will be granted.

Under the file and suspend law, the time period for processing the request will begin on the date that all of the required data is completely filed. If not complete, the official filing date will be the date the complete corrections to the deficiencies are filed.

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The utility is instructed to file all information it wishes the Commission to consider when arriving at a decision on its rate case application with its original filing. Because of the time limitations contained in Section 367.081, Florida Statutes, and the lengthy auditing and investigation required, information not filed with the original application may not be considered.

Sincerely,

Joe Garcia Chairman

JG/WTR:wtr

cc: Commissioners

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