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VIA HAND_DELIVERY

Blanca S. Bayo, Director Division of Records and Reporting Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re: Coolidge - Fort Myers Realty Limited Partnership d/b/a Heron's Glen Utilities PSC Docket No. 991056-SU; Transfer of Utility System <u>Our File No. 34073.01</u>

Dear Ms. Bayo:

I am filing this letter as the Utility's response to the audit recently completed by the Commission staff in the above-referenced matter. We have reviewed the audit and while we may not agree with all aspects of it, we are willing to accept the conclusions reached by the audit staff to the extent this forms the basis for the final Commission action in this case. Based upon that acceptance, we will offer no further comment to the conclusions of the Audit Report.

However, one item should be addressed briefly in light of the last paragraph of the Scope AFA Limitation Section. While it is true the auditor was denied access to records briefly, that action taken APP CAF by the Chief Financial Officer was done because of the concern that the utility records which had CMU just been discovered at that time, appeared to be intermingled with non-utility records which are not CTR only irrelevant to the auditor's task, but beyond the Commission's jurisdiction. The officials at the EAG LEG utility and the related party developer apologized to the auditor and invited her back within just a MAS few days after the company was given the opportunity to extract the utility related documents. We OPC believe, and we hope the auditor agrees, that the utility was not attempting to refuse access to utility RRR related records, and in fact, was cooperative with the auditor fully thereafter and apologetic for the misunderstanding.

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We trust that we can now bring this matter to a prompt conclusion with the rate base established in accordance with the audit findings. Should you or any members of the Commission staff have any further questions in this regard or need any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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