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Re:

Aloha Utilities, Inc.

Petition for Wastewater Rate Increase for its Seven Springs System Customers in Pasco County, Florida

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Our File No. 26038.30

Dear Ralph:

We have reviewed the staff proposed Notice. We are, however, somewhat concerned that the longer Notice to Customers does not seem to be as clear as the draft Notice for publication in the Florida Administrative Weekly in that it does not make clear that the second day of hearing is reserved primarily for technical testimony, rather than customer testimony. We believe that this should be pointed out in order to avoid any misunderstanding at hearing. Please contact me at your earliest convenience to let me know what you can do to clarify this. Perhaps just adding a couple of words to the paragraph immediately following the hearing location, would accomplish this.

If you have any questions in this regard, please let me know. Remember, time is of the essence so as to allow time for duplication and distribution of this Notice within the next seven days.

Sincerely,

ROSE, SUNDSTROM & BENTLEY, LLP

F. Marshall Deterding For The Firm

Dictated by Mr. Deterding but signed in his absence to avoid delay in mailing.

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