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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Application of )  
Florida Water Services )  
Corporation for Amendment of )  
Certificate No. 106 to add and )  
delete territory in Lake County, )  
Florida. )  
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JOINT MOTION FOR FURTHER CONTINUANCE

CRYSTAL RIVER UTILITIES, INC. ("CRU") and FLORIDA WATER SERVICES CORPORATION ("FWSC"), by and through their respective undersigned attorneys and pursuant to Rule 28-106.210, Florida Administrative Code, request a further continuance of these proceedings, specifically including all scheduled filing activities and the final hearing scheduled for June 21 and 22, 2000, and in support thereof state:

1. AquaSource Utilities, Inc. ("AquaSource"), as the owner of CRU, and FWSC have been involved in settlement negotiations to resolve the territory dispute which is pending before the Commission in the above-styled matter.

2. While the parties have had meaningful negotiations, they have not yet reached agreement of a final resolution even in principle. The negotiation process was delayed somewhat by the departure of Mr. Overton, who was formerly employed by AquaSource, but are once again moving forward. FWSC made a written proposal on

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May 4, 2000 and AquaSource does not have sufficient time to analyze such proposal in light of the current schedule.

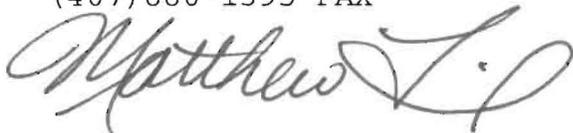
3. Since there are no customers in the proposed territory that are not currently being served, there is no prejudice to anyone other than the parties themselves as a result of a further delay of this proceeding. A further delay is certainly in the interest of administrative economy.

4. The parties are optimistic that they can agree on a settlement of this territory dispute, however, they do not believe it can be accomplished within the current time schedule.

WHEREFORE, CRU and FWSC request a continuance of at least 90 days in order to further explore settlement.

Respectfully submitted this 9<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2000, by:

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished by U.S. Mail to Samantha Cibula, Esquire, Florida Public Service Commission, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850 this 9th day of February, 2000.

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