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Re:

DOCKET NO. 990054-WU

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed herewith for filing in the above-referenced docket on behalf of Florida Water Services are the original and fifteen copies of Florida Water's Settlement Status Report.

Please acknowledge receipt of these documents by stamping the extra copy of this letter "filed" and returning the same to me.

Thank you for your assistance with this filing.

Sincerely,

J. Stephen Menton

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Application of Florida)	
Water Services Corporation for)	
Amendment of Certificate No. 106)	Docket No. 990054-WU
to add and delete territory in)	
Lake County, Florida.)	Filed: August 17, 2000
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FLORIDA WATER'S SETTLEMENT STATUS REPORT

Florida Water Services Corporation ("Florida Water"), by and through its undersigned counsel and pursuant to Order PSC-00-0449-PCO-WS, issued March 2, 2000, hereby files its Report to the Commission regarding the status of settlement negotiations:

Undersigned counsel for Florida Water has recently assumed responsibility for this matter following the departure of the in-house attorney who was previously handling this proceeding. At this point, the parties have not reached a settlement. Undersigned counsel for Florida Water will be meeting with the principals of the company within the next few weeks to review possible additional options that can be explored between the parties. Undersigned counsel attempted to contact counsel for Crystal River Utilities, Inc. in order to discuss this Status Report and possible available dates for further negotiations. Undersigned counsel was advised that counsel for Crystal River Utilities, Inc. is out of the office until the week of August 21. Accordingly, this Status Report is being filed unilaterally. Undersigned counsel for Florida Water will contact counsel for Crystal River Utilities, Inc. prior to the next status report due on September 17, 2000 and will provide the Commission with an update on negotiations.

RESPECTFULLY submitted this May of August, 2000.

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I HEREBY certify that a copy of the foregoing was furnished by U.S. Mail to the following this 17th day of August, 2000:

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