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TIMOTHY DEVLIN, DIRECTOR DIVISION OF ECONOMIC REGULATION (850) 413-6900

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Public Service Commission

May 3, 2001

Mr. Daniel Holmes Holmes Utilities, Inc.

760 Henscratch Road Lake Placid, FL 33852 DEFUSIT

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Re: Staff Assisted Rate Case for Holmes Utilities, Inc. in Highlands County, Docket No. 010403-WU

Dear Mr. Holmes:

We have determined eligibility for staff assistance filed by Holmes Utilities, Inc. We find that the utility is eligible for the staff assisted rate case filing.

The staff engineer has determined the filing fee in this rate case of \$500.00. The fee is based on the capacity of the utility systems as provided by Section 367.145(2) of the Florida Statutes. The filing fee must be received by June 4, 2001 which is the official filing date for this rate case.

Members of Commission staff will contact you to schedule a convenient time for examination of the utility's books and records and physical plant. If you have any questions regarding the rate proceeding, please call Ryan Fitch at (850)413-6928 or Tracey Biggins at (850)413-6844.

Sincerely,

Timothy Devlin

Director

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Division of Legal Services (Espinoza)

Division of Records and Reporting (010403-WU)

Holmes Utilities, Inc. 760 Henscratch Road Lake Placid. Florida 33852

May 8, 2001

Chief Executive Officer of Highlands County Board of County Commissioners 600 South Commerce Ave. Sebring, Florida 33870



Reference: Holmes Utilities, Inc. - Staff Assisted Rate Case Application

Dear Sir.

Please find enclosed a copy of the application that was sent to the Public Service Commission for a Staff Assisted Rate Case (SARC).

It was requested by the Public Service Commission to send a copy of the application to the Chief Executive Officer of Highlands County. Holmes Utilities, Inc. also have to provide proof that a copy of the SARC application was sent to the Chief Executive Officer of Highlands County.

Enclosed you will find a copy of the SARC application, and on this form a signature, title and date space. Please sign, and date this form for the utilities proof of the mailing of the SARC application was sent to your office and return to the utilities office in the self-address stamped envelope provided.

Thank you.

Sincerely

Lisá K. Holmes, Vice President

Holmes Utilities, Inc.

Enclosure

Proof of Receipt - Copy of the Staff Assisted Rate Case (SARC) application for Holmes Utilities, Inc.

Chief Executive Officer of Highlands County,

Date