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June 25, 2001

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

Re: Docket No. 991437-WS, Application for increase in water rates in Orange County by Wedgefield Utilities, Inc

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing in the above referenced docket are the original and fifteen copies of following documents:

07830-da.. Motion to Allow Substitution of Witness;

07831-01 b. Renewal of Wedgefield's Motion for Summary Final Order;

07832-01 C. Renewal of Wedgefield's Motion to Strike and Dismiss the Office of Public

Counsel's Petition Requesting Section 120.57 Hearing and Protest of Proposed

Agency Action, as Amended;

Motion to Strike Portions of Prefiled Direct Testimony of OPC Witnesses Larkin

and Biddy;

Wedgefield's Notice of Supplemental Authority Supporting its Motion to Strike

Portions of Prefiled Direct Testimony of OPC Witnesses Larkin and Biddy;

07834-01 e.. Prehearing Statement of Wedgefield Utilities, Inc.

> Thank you for your assistance. If there are any questions, please contact me at the telephone number above.

> > Sincerely yours,

Ben E. Girtman

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#### BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Application for increase )	DOCKET NO.	991437-WU
in water rates in Orange County ) by Wedgefield Utilities, Inc.	Filed: June 25,	2001

## MOTION TO ALLOW SUBSTITUTION OF WITNESS

COMES NOW Wedgefield Utilities, Inc., by and through its undersigned counsel, and moves the Prehearing Officer to approve the substitution of Mr. Carl Wenz for Ms. Erin Nicholas to sponsor prefiled testimony by the Utility. In support thereof, Wedgefield states:

- 1. Wedgefield has prefiled two sets of testimony by Erin Nicholas, a regulatory analyst for Utilities, Inc. and its subsidiaries, including Wedgefield Utilities, Inc.
- 2. Ms. Nicholas recently has left employment with Utilities, Inc. to begin graduate school and will be unavailable to testify in this proceeding.
- 3. Mr. Carl Wenz, Vice-President Regulatory, of Utilities, Inc. will adopt the testimony of Ms. Nicholas. Two substitutions of Mr. Wenz's qualifications for the qualifications of Ms. Nicholas are attached hereto for substitution of pages 1 and 2 of the respective sets of the prefiled testimony of Ms. Nicholas.
- 4. Wedgefield filed two sets of testimony by Ms. Nicholas. The first testimony consists of nine pages plus exhibits (ELN 1) and (ELN 2), relating to the MFRs, the conservation rate structure, and rate case expense.
- 5. The second testimony consists of 22 pages plus exhibits (ELN 3) and (ELN 4) relating to the show cause issue. Although the show-cause issue (Issue #10) has been

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resolved by a previous order of Commission, the issue remains listed in the Order Establishing Procedure and needs to be so noted at the Prehearing Conference.

6. As required by Rule 28-106-204(3), F.A.C., the undersigned counsel has contacted Mr. Charles Beck for OPC and Mr. Jason Fudge for PSC Staff. OPC will file a response in opposition, and Staff reserves objections to the motion until they have had an opportunity to review it.

WHEREFORE, Wedgefield Utilities, Inc. requests that the Prehearing Officer approve the substitution of Mr. Carl Wenz for Ms. Erin Nicholas to sponsor the prefiled testimony. Wedgefield Utilities, Inc. further requests that the Prehearing Officer authorize the interlineation of the exhibit numbers on exhibits (ELN - 1) through (ELN - 4) to become (CJW - 1) through (CJW - 4).

## RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

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Attorney for Wedgefield Utilities, Inc.

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a copy of the foregoing has been sent to the following by U.S. mail (or by hand delivery#) this 25<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2001.

Patty Christensen, Esq.# Division of Legal Services Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850 (850)413-6220 Charles Beck, Esq.# Office of Public Counsel 111 W. Madison St., Rm. 812 Tallahassee, FL 32399-1400 (850) 488-9330

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Attorney for Wedgefield Utilities, Inc.

1		TESTIMONY OF CARL WENZ
2		BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
3		REGARDING THE APPLICATION FOR INCREASE
4		IN WATER RATES IN ORANGE COUNTY
5		BY WEDGEFIELD UTILITIES, INC.
6		AND THE RATE PORTION OF
7		DOCKET NO. 991437-WU
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9	Q.	Mr. Wenz, please state your business address for
1.0		the record?
11	A.	2335 Sanders Road, Northbrook, Illinois 60062.
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13	Q.	By whom are you employed and what is your
14		position?
15	Α.	I am the Vice President of Regulatory Matters for
16		Utilities, Inc. and all of its subsidiaries,
17		including Wedgefield Utilities, Inc.
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19	Q.	Please state your professional and educational
20		experience.
21	Α.	I have been employed by Utilities, Inc. since
22		1984. Over the last seventeen years I have been
23		involved in all phases of the regulatory process.
24		Utilities, Inc. owns water and/or wastewater
25		utilities in sixteen states. I have testified

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I am a Certified Public Accountant and hold a
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recent years I have been on the faculty of the
Eastern Utility Rate School which is sponsored by
the NARUC Water Committee and Florida State
University.

### Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?

A. The purpose of my testimony is to sponsor the Company's application for rate relief. I will specifically address Issue 8 and Issue 9, as listed in Appendix A of the the Order Establishing Procedure (Order No. PSC-00-1895-PCO-WU) issued on

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## Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?

A. The purpose of my testimony is to address Issue 10 listed in Appendix A of the the Order Establishing Procedure (Order No. PSC-00-1895-PCO-WU) issued on October 16, 2000. This issue addresses the maintenance of books and records in conformity