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Hublic Service Commission

September 17, 2002

David L. Hickman, President, Creola, Inc. P. O. Box 1257 Safety Harbor, FL 34695-1257

Re: Docket No.: 020945-SU; Company Name: Creola, Inc.; Audit Purpose: Establish rate base for transfer of utility; Audit Control No.: 02-260-3-1

Dear Mr. Hickman:

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The Audit Access to Records rule for each industry states:

In those instances where the utility disagrees with the auditor's assessment of a reasonable response time to the audit request, the utility shall first attempt to discuss the disagreement with the auditor and reach an acceptable revised date.

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A formal report is expected to be issued to internal Commission use on January 6, 2003. A copy of the final report will be mailed to the company liaison listed in the Commission Mailing Directory.

Sincerely,

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Denise N. Vandiver, Chief Bureau of Auditing

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cc: Division of Auditing and Safety (Orlando District Supervisor, File Folder) Division of the Contemporation Characteristic Services General Courter Office of Public Counsel

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