BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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IN RE: Petition by Customers of **ALOHA UTILITIES, INC.,** for deletion of portion of territory in Seven Springs Area in Pasco County, Florida.

COMMISSION CLERK

Docket No. 020896-WS

IN RE: Application for increase in water rates for Seven Springs System in Pasco County by **ALOHA UTILITIES**, INC.

Docket No. 010503-WU

ALOHA UTILITIES, INC.'S REQUEST FOR ORAL ARGUMENT

Aloha Utilities, Inc. ("Aloha"), by and through undersigned counsel, hereby requests oral argument on the Motion for Protective Order and Response to Staff's Motion to Compel. Oral argument on this Response would help clarify the issues, insure that the Prehearing Officer or the Commission Panel will be fully informed on the same, and allow the parties to further express their various concerns or comments. It is important that the Prehearing Officer, and ultimately the Commission, comprehend the effect, admissibility, propriety and advisability of the survey which Staff has stated it wishes to undertake with the information Staff seeks to discover from Aloha, before determining whether the

CMP _____requests to Aloha are proper discovery which has been properly tendered.

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