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Utilities, Inc. of Eagle Ridge Re: 2008 General Rate Increase Application Our File No.: 30057.158

Dear Chairman Edgar:

This letter, pursuant to Rule 25-30.430, Florida Administrative Code, requests approval of a test year for Utilities, Inc. of Eagle Ridge ("Company"). The Company intends to submit an application for general rate relief to the Florida Public Service Commission for its wastewater system located in Lee County, Florida. The Company intends to submit the minimum filing requirements ("MFRs") on or before August 29, 2008.

The Company's last rate proceeding was in Docket No. 030445-SU, which culminated in Order No. PSC-04-1107-PAA-SU, issued November 8, 2004. That Order was declared final in Order No. PSC-041196-CO-SU, issued December 3, 2004. Rates <u>c</u> were set utilizing a test year ending December 31, 2002.

The The Company requests an historic test year ending December 31, 2007. requested test year is representative of a normal full year of operation.

Since the Company's last rate proceeding, the Company has made major changes to plant and equipment, specifically, plant and equipment upgrades and modifications safety and security improvements, installation of odor control equipment, maintenance and replacement of piping, and rehabilitative work to plant grounds and percolation Within that same period of time, there have been no major changes in ponds. operational methods.

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The Company proposes to make major pro forma plant additions, including the repairs of pipes, tanks and other facilities, the replacement of a membrane filter and other improvements. The MFRs will include pro forma adjustments for increases in salaries and salary-related benefits, purchased power and other costs, which will be requested in this proceeding. The pro formas are non growth-related.

Pursuant to Section 367.081(8), Florida Statutes, the Company requests that the Commission process this petition for rate relief using the proposed agency action procedure. The Company also will request interim rates based on the historic test year.

Should you or members of the Staff have any questions regarding this request, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

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