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Ms. Ann Cole
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Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

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Re: Docket No. 090125-GU - Petition for Increase in Rates by Florida Division of Chesapeake Utilities

Dear Ms. Cole:

Enclosed for filing in the above referenced Docket is a true and correct copy of a Letter providing notification pursuant to Rule 25-7.140(3), F.A.C., and seeking an extension to June 30, 2009, for filing the Petition for Rate Increase, MFRs, and Testimony of Florida Division of Chesapeake Utilities.

Thank you for your assistance, and please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions whatsoever.

Sincerely,



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May 15, 2009

The Honorable Matthew M. Carter II
Chairman, Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

RE: Notification Pursuant to Rule 25-7.140(3), Florida Administrative Code, of revised filing date, in Docket No. 090125-GU.

Dear Chairman Carter:

On March 13, 2009, the Florida Division of Chesapeake Utilities Corporation (Florida Division or Company) informed the Florida Public Service Commission (PSC) of its intent to file a petition for a general rate increase proceeding on or about May 15, 2009. By letter dated March 19, 2009, you acknowledged our request and directed us to file testimony no earlier than May 11, 2009, or alternatively inform the PSC if a different timeframe was necessary.

Pursuant to Rule 25-7.140(3), Florida Administrative Code, "[i]f the company cannot meet its filing date, it shall notify the Commission in writing before the due date and include an explanation of why it will not meet the filing date. The Company shall include a revised filing date." Therefore, consistent with the notice requirements set forth in Rule 25-7.140(3), Florida Administrative Code, the Florida Division submits this request to extend our petition, MFR, and testimony filing dates to June 30, 2009.

On April 20, 2009, Chesapeake Utilities Corporation (Chesapeake) and Florida Public Utilities Company (FPUC) announced a Definitive Merger Agreement wherein FPUC will be a wholly owned subsidiary of Chesapeake. Over time, subject to regulatory approval, the Florida Division and FPUC will integrate their operations. While the merger was unanimously approved by boards of both companies, the closing is expected during fourth quarter 2009. As you would expect, our focus and resources were briefly directed toward completion of the merger discussions. As such, we very respectfully seek an extension in which to file our petition, testimony, and MFRs until June 30, 2009. This additional time will allow for discussions with PSC Staff and the Office of Public Counsel (OPC), if necessary.

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At your May 5, 2009, Agenda Conference, the PSC approved FPUC's rate proceeding with contingency provisions related to the merger if the merger does in fact take place. We are aware of the concerns raised by OPC and the Commissioners at that Agenda Conference and the desire to identify benefits and synergies on behalf of the consumers. Therefore, we would like to work collaboratively with PSC Staff and OPC to try to address those same concerns in our process. Our petition will identify some suggestions consistent with our desire to work collaboratively to address the concerns raised.

All other aspects of our original March 13, 2009, letter remain the same and are incorporated herein by reference. Thank you for your consideration of our request.

Sincerely,

**THE FLORIDA DIVISION OF CHESAPEAKE
UTILITIES CORPORATION**



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