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In re: Docket No. 090445-WS – Application for original certificates for proposed water and wastewater system and request for initial rates and charges in Indian River, Okeechobee and St. Lucie Counties by Grove Land Utilities, LLC; and

In re: Docket No. 090459-WS – Application for original certificates for proposed water and wastewater system and request for initial rates and charges in Martin and St. Lucie Counties by Bluefield Utilities, LLC

Dear Sirs:

On November 4, 2009, staff conducted a conference call concerning the above-referenced applications and the related protests. During this conference call, staff discussed the potential issues that might be addressed at hearing and how prior Commission decisions in Docket No. 070109-WS (Sun River) and Docket No. 021256-WU (Farnton) might be applicable. Staff requested that the parties, after reviewing those cases, determine whether there was any bases for a compromise or a settlement of the disputed applications. Staff envisioned that a follow-up conference call might take place in January 2010.

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By February 16, 2010, please advise staff (Caroline Klancke for Bluefield, and Ralph Jaeger for Grove Land) of the status of any negotiations or discussions, and whether the parties believe that a second conference call or continued negotiations or discussions would be helpful. If the parties agree that continued negotiations or a second conference call would not be helpful, staff will proceed with scheduling the applications and protests for formal hearing and issuing Orders Establishing Procedure.

If you have any questions or if we can be of any further assistance, please contact Caroline Klancke at 850-413-6220 for Docket No. 090459-WS, or Ralph Jaeger at 850-413-6234 for Docket No. 090445-WS.

Sincerely,



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