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Ann Cole, Commission Clerk
Office of Commission Clerk
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, FL 32399

RE: Docket No.: 130180-WS; Application of Sunlake Estates Utilities, L.L.C. for
Original Water and Wastewater Certificates in Lake County, Florida
Our File No.: 46096.01

Dear Ms. Cole:

The Staff has asked me to expound upon the necessity to change the type (and therefore cost) of water meters for which Sunlake Estates Utilities, LLC is requesting a proforma adjustment. On January 4, 2011, President Obama signed into law the "Reduction of Lead in Drinking Water Act," which revised the definition for "lead free" in the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) as it pertains to "pipe, pipe fittings, plumbing fittings, and fixtures." Thus, beginning on January 4, 2014, the Safe Drinking Water Act requires all products in contact with drinking water (including meters) to have a 0.25% maximum lead content for all wetted components using a surface based averaging formula. Since the meters to which the proforma adjustment applies will be installed after the effective date of this change, the new meters will have to meet the lead-free standard.

Should you or Staff have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

MARTIN S. FRIEDMAN

For the Firm

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