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Office of Commission Clerk
Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Blvd.
Tallahassee, FL 32399

Re: Docket 140186 – Application for staff-assisted rate case in Brevard County by Brevard Waterworks, Inc. – Joint Letter

Dear Commission Clerk:

Brevard Waterworks, Inc. (Brevard Waterworks or utility) and the Office of Public Counsel (OPC) jointly request that the Commission defer consideration of Phase II rates for Brevard Waterworks until the September 2016 agenda conference. The utility and OPC acknowledge that the utility has a significant issue with unaccounted for water in the Oakwood subdivision and the utility must resolve this issue in a cost-effective and timely manner. The utility has developed a plan to resolve this issue; however, a large number of customers expressed deep concern with the design and rate impact of the utility's proposed infrastructure replacement project.

Consequently, Brevard Waterworks and OPC state that additional time is needed to allow the utility and OPC to work with the customers and hopefully Brevard County to find the most cost-effective solution to resolve the unaccounted water for issue, including but not limited to, obtaining alternative funding for the repair and replacement of the infrastructure in the Oakwood subdivision. This additional time will be used in seeking to develop a long-term solution and options of how best to address significant issues regarding the water system and rates as specified in Order No. PSC-15-0329-PAA-WU.

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If there are any questions regarding this request to defer consideration of Phase II rates until the September 2016 agenda conference, please let Brevard Waterworks and OPC know.

Sincerely,

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