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DATE: August 2, 2016
TO: Carlotta S. Stauffer, Commission Clerk, Office of Commission Clerk
FROM: Kelley F. Corbari, Senior Attorney, Office of the General Counsel *KFC*
RE: **Docket No. 140220-WU** – Application for staff-assisted rate case in Polk County by Sunrise Utilities, LLC.

Attached please find a copy of a “Request for Information and Demand for Immediate Response” issued to Sunrise Utilities, LLC by the Florida Department of Health – Polk County. Please file the attached document in the documents tab of the above-referenced docket file.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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August 2, 2016

SENT FEDEX TRACKING NO. 7768 9827 1003

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION AND DEMAND FOR IMMEDIATE RESPONSE

Stuart Sheldon, Registered Agent
Sunrise Utilities, LLC
20 W. Tropical Way
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33317

Re: Sunrise Utilities, LLC, PWS ID No. 6531739

Dear Mr. Sheldon and Mr. Szabo:

On July 19, 2016, the Department received notice, through complaints provided by customers of Sunrise Utilities, LLC, of interruptions in the drinking water supplies to the system. Upon investigation, it was discovered that one of your storage tanks developed a leak, specifically the 3000 gallon tank of your 9000 gallon, dual-tank storage system. This 3000 gallon tank had previously been due for maintenance (interior blast cleaning and recoating) no later than December, 2015.

In response to this breach and loss of pressure, it is our understanding you secured a welder to cover or patch the leak with a metal plate, using an uncertain epoxy compound.

Rule 62-555.520(d), Florida Administrative Code (FAC), requires that any repairs to this tank made by the welders must meet American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) standards. Rule 62-555.330(4), FAC, by reference, requires that said repairs be completed by someone authorized by the National Board of Boiler and Pressure Vessel Inspectors (National Board) to work on ASME systems.

The Department has made multiple requests that you provide documentation, showing that the welder had a certificate of authorization to repair pressurized vessels, also known as an "R" stamp, issued by the National Board, to work on ASME pressurized vessels. To date, no documentation showing the repair was completed by someone possessing the necessary "R" stamp has been forthcoming. Recent attempts to contact you by phone have also been unsuccessful.

Accordingly, please provide the Department as soon as possible, but no later than 24 hours from receipt of this letter, with the name of the welder who provided the service, and the necessary National Board documentation if available. If the repair was not conducted by an authorized welder, you should advise the Department of such as soon as possible.

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If the Department does not hear from you by close of business on Thursday, August 4, 2016, the Department will assume the repair was conducted by an unauthorized person, and proceed accordingly.

Please be advised it is counter-productive and may be a violation of Florida Administrative Code (FAC) Rules to ignore or make yourself unavailable or out-of-pocket pending Department requests and communications under such circumstances.

Please contact Ron Stadelbacher at 863-519-8330, ext. 12152, as soon as possible with the necessary information or documentation. Failure to contact our office within 48 hours will result in enforcement, including fines, administrative complaints, and injunctive action.

Sincerely,



Cynthia L.E. Goldstein, M.P.H., R.E.H.S.
Environmental Administrator

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