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DATE: September 1, 2020

TO: Adam J. Teitzman, Commission Clerk, Office of Commission Clerk

FROM: Sonica C. Bruce, Economic Analyst, Division of Economics *SCB*

RE: Docket No. 20200152-WS - Application for a limited alternative rate increase in Polk and Marion Counties, by Alturas Water, LLC, Sunrise Water, LLC, Pinecrest Utilities, LLC, and East Marion Utilities, LLC.

On May 28, 2020, the utilities in Docket No. 20200152-WS filed their application for a limited alternative rate increase (LARI) and paid a filing fee for each system on July 6, 2020. Based on staff's review of the 2019 annual report for Charlie Creek, LLC; Crestridge Utilities, LLC; Holiday Gardens, LLC; and Orange Land Utilities, LLC, it appears that the utilities may be overearning and are not eligible for a LARI. Therefore, on August 20, 2020, the utilities withdrew from this docket and requested a refund of the filing fees.

Rule 25-30.020(2)(f), Florida Administrative Code, details the filing fee to be paid for any request for a rate change pursuant to Sections 367.081, 367.0814, and 367.0822, Florida Statutes. The fees are based upon the utility's existing capacity to serve. In this docket, Charlie Creek, LLC; Crestridge Utilities, LLC; Holiday Gardens, LLC; and Orange Land Utilities, LLC paid filing fees of \$1,000 each. As of the date of withdrawal, the amount of time staff spent on the application was de minimus. Therefore, the Division of Economics requests that each of the aforementioned utilities be refunded its \$1,000 filing fee. The total refund for the four utilities is \$4,000.