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Florida Public Service Commission Director, Office of Commission Clerk 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0870

RE: Docket No.20200139-WS, Utilities, Inc. of Florida

I am a costumer of UTILITIES, INC. OF FLORIDA and recently received a notice dated September 4, 2020 from Utility, Inc. advising of another rate increase. I reviewed my water bills over the past several years. In October 2013, I was paying .005 per gallon of water. Now I am paying .012 per gallon and it will be going up again. So, in the past 7 years, the cost of a gallon of water has gone up 120%. How can this be justified? I have not incurred any cost increase approaching 120% over the past 7 years.

A quick look at other prices:

- In July 2013 gas was at \$3.65, today it is \$2.25, a significant decrease.
- In October 2013. Natural gas was \$3.97, today it is \$2.21, a significant decrease.

I understand the Florida PSC has approved interim water and wastewater rates for Utilities, Inc. of Florida effective September 9, 2020.

I am requesting that the Florida PSC reconsider the interim rate and **not** approve the FINAL RATES.

Based on the above information, I cannot see granting any additional increases based on the excessive rate increases that have been granted over the past 7 seven years.

Please consider the costumers of Utilities, Inc., and the residents of Florida. The commission should be operating in the best interest of the of the residents of Florida, not the utility companies; therefore, the interim rate and the final rate should be reconsidered and NOT APPROVED.

Sincerely

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