

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

IN RE: Application for Amendment of water
and wastewater Certificate Nos. 496-W and 465-S Docket No. 20210109-WS
in Lake County by Utilities, Inc. of Florida

PETITION FOR PARTIAL VARIANCE OR WAIVER OF
RULE 25-30.030(5)(b), FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

UTILITIES, INC. OF FLORIDA, (“UIF”) by and through its undersigned attorneys and pursuant to Section 120.542, Florida Statutes, hereby petitions the Florida Public Service Commission for a partial variance or waiver of a requirement of Rule 25-30.030, Florida Administrative Code, as specifically identified below. In support of this Petition, UIF asserts the following:

1. The name and address of the Petitioner is:

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2. The name, address and telephone number of the person to contact concerning this Petition is:

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3. This Application is for an amendment of UIF’s Certificates 496-W and 465-S in Lake County, Florida. This application will add 92 RV lots (approximately 73 water and wastewater ERC’s) to UIF’s water and wastewater systems which consists of approximately 35,894 water ERC’s, and approximately 32,955 wastewater ERCs, which is an insignificant increase in ERC’s to UIF’s water and wastewater systems, and thus will have no material impact on revenues or service.

Rule 25-30.030(5)(b), Florida Administrative Code

This Rule requires that the notice of an amendment application be mailed or personally served on all of UIF's approximately 25,000 existing customers. Since this amendment, because of its small size, will have no negligible impact on existing customers of UIF, the substantial cost of notifying 25,000 customers (approximately \$16,000) outweighs any unidentifiable benefit of customers receiving such notice. UIF will provide notices to the governmental entities and other utilities [subsection (5)(a)], the property owner who is directly affected by this Application [subsection (5)(b)], and will publish the notice [subsection (5)(c)]. Further, UIF will post this Notice on its website for a period of not less than 30 days which Notice shall provide a date certain by when substantially affected persons may time file an objection to the Application. This Commission granted a substantially similar requests in Order Nos. PSC-2017-0387-PAA-SU, and PSC-2020-0054-PAA-WS.

4. Pursuant to Rule 28-104.002(1), Florida Administrative Code, a copy of this Petition is being sent to the Joint Administrative Procedures Committee.

WHEREFORE, UTILITIES, INC. OF FLORIDA requests this Commission grant a partial waiver or variance of the provision of Rule 25-30.030(5)(b), Florida Administrative Code, that requires UIF to give notice of this Application to all of its existing customers.

Respectfully submitted on this 2nd day of
June, 2021, by:

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