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**DATE:** January 8, 2025

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

**FROM:** Thomas E. Ballinger, Director, Division of Engineering *TB*  
Jennifer S. Crawford, Attorney Supervisor, Office of the General Counsel *JSC*

**RE:** Docket No. 20240089-WS - Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Columbia County declaring Columbia County subject of the provisions of Section 367, F.S.

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On July 1, 2024, the Commission issued Order No. PSC-2024-0222-FOF-WS (Order) in Docket No. 20240089-WS, acknowledging the Board of County Commissioners' Resolution No. 2024R-13, (Resolution) declaring Columbia County subject to the provisions of Chapter 367, Florida Statutes (F.S.). The Order required that the docket remain open pending staff's verification that the final response from a water or wastewater system operator affirming exemption status had been received and that no further action is necessary.

The Columbia County Board of County Commissioners furnished the Commission with a list of privately-owned water and wastewater utilities that, prior to the adoption of the Resolution, had been under its jurisdiction. Staff contacted each of these utilities, and dockets were opened to process the grandfather applications for each utility that was not exempt from regulation under Chapter 367, F.S.

On December 6, 2024, the Commission sent letters to each of the privately-owned water and wastewater utilities in Columbia County that the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) monitors for environmental compliance, based on a list of such entities provided by the DEP. This was done to advise them of the Commission's jurisdiction in Columbia County. The letter included a copy of Section 367.022, F.S., which lists the conditions for exemption from the Commission's regulation, and instructed the water and/or wastewater provider to contact the Commission if it believes it no longer meets any of the exemptions identified in Section 367.022, F.S.

No water or wastewater providers in Columbia County have contacted the Commission in response to staff's December 6, 2024 letter, and there are no further actions required in this docket. Therefore, Docket No. 20240089-WS should be closed administratively.

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