MEMORANDUM

April 10, 1996

TO : DIVISION OF LEGAL SERVICES (CROSBY)

DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING

FROM : DIVISION OF WATER AND WASTEWATER (WALKER)

RE : DOCKET NO. 960218-WS, APPLICATION BY GENERAL DEVELOPMENT UTILITIES, INC. FOR APPROVAL OF SALE OF PORT LABRILE

DIVISION TO HENDRY COUNTY AND CANCELLATION OF CERTIFICATE
NOS. 526-W AND 460-S IN GLADES AND HENDRY COUNTIES,

FLORIDA

General Development Utilities, Inc. (GDU) provides water and wastewater service in Hendry and Glades counties through its Port LaBelle operating division. In 1994, that system was providing water service to 867 customers and wastewater service to 835 customers. The respective annual revenue and operating income amounts were \$497,452 and \$82,691 for water service and \$456,024 and \$35,180 for wastewater service.

ACK __filed in accordance with Section 367.071(4), Florida Statutes and Rule 25-30.037, Florida Administrative Code (FAC). The petition includes a copy of the purchase and sale agreement, dated October 14, 1994, in accordance with Rule 25-30.037(4)(c) and (d), FAC. The application also includes a recital that all customer deposits and accrued interest thereon will be transferred to the county upon CMU __closing.

GDU reported that all outstanding regulatory assessment fees
will be paid when due, and that there are no outstanding fines or
refunds currently pending. According to GDU, Hendry County
received a copy of the Utility's 1994 Annual Report for information
about the company's income and expenses, its rate base, and its
contributions-in-aid-of-construction (CIAC) amounts. Official
action by the county to acquire the utility system was scheduled
for February 29, 1996.

Since all filing requirements have been met, the staff recommends that an administrative order should be issued that acknowledges the sale of the Port Labelle utility system to Hendry County and the consequent cancellation of Certificate Nos. 526-W and 420-S.

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