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## BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Application for increase in water and | DOCKET NO. 20240068-WS wastewater rates in Charlotte, Highlands, Lake, Lee, Marion, Orange, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, and Seminole Counties, by Sunshine Water Services Company.

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## CITIZENS' REQUEST FOR ORAL ARGUMENT ON ITS MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION

The Citizens of Florida, through the Office of Public Counsel ("Citizens" or "OPC"), pursuant to Rule 25-22.0022, Florida Administrative Code, respectfully request the Florida Public Service Commission ("FPSC" or "Commission") to allow oral argument on Citizens' Motion for Reconsideration ("Motion") filed concurrently with this motion on June 23, 2025. In support, Citizens state as follows:

- 1. Citizens request the opportunity to provide oral argument on the Motion to provide additional details and context concerning the arguments made within the Motion. Certain of the arguments raised in the Motions relate to matters that arose only after the record closed, after deliberations took place, and after the final order in this matter was issued. Oral argument would be especially helpful to the Commission in understanding the nature of the reconsideration being sought.
- 2. Citizens further assert that conducting a hearing would generally aid the Commission in understanding and evaluating the issues raised in the Motion.
- 3. Additionally, a hearing would provide an opportunity for Citizens to answer any questions that the Commissioners may have regarding the Motion, including matters arising after closing of the post-record.
- 4. Citizens respectfully requests ten (10) minutes for each party to sufficiently address these important matters in oral argument.

5. OPC has consulted with Sunshine regarding its position on these motions. Sunshine opposes this motion.

WHEREFORE, Citizens respectfully request that the Commission allow each party ten (10) minutes to provide oral argument on Citizens' Motion for Reconsideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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