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November 17, 2025

### **VIA HAND DELIVERY**

Adam Teitzman, Commission Clerk Office of Commission Clerk Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399

RE: Docket No. 20250122-WS - Application for staff-assisted rate case in Highlands County, by Sun Communities Acquisitions, LLC d/b/a Buttonwood Bay Utilities.

#### Dear Mr. Teitzman:

On behalf of Buttonwood Bay Utilities, and pursuant to the SARC Acceptance letter dated November 3, 2025, please find the enclosed check in the amount of \$2,000.00 for the filing fee.

Should you or Commission Staff have any questions regarding the application, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Daniel J. McGinn

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cc: Matthew Sibley (msibley@psc.state.fl.us)

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# **Public Service Commission**

November 3, 2025

Mrs. Sheri Woodworth
Sun Communities Acquisitions, LLC d/b/a Buttonwood Bay Utilities
c/o Sun Communities
27777 Franklin Road, Suite 200
Southfield, Michigan 48034-8205
swoodworth@suncommunities.com

VIA EMAIL

Re: Docket No. 20250122-WS - Application for staff-assisted rate case in Highlands County, by Sun Communities Acquisitions, LLC d/b/a Buttonwood Bay Utilities.

Dear Mrs. Woodworth:

Staff has completed its initial review of your application and has determined that Sun Communities Acquisitions, LLC d/b/a Buttonwood Bay Utilities (Buttonwood or Utility) is eligible for a staff-assisted rate case (SARC). The filing fee for this rate case is \$2,000 (\$1,000 for water and \$1,000 for wastewater) based on the capacity of the Utility's system as provided by Section 367.145(2), Florida Statutes (F.S.) and Rule 25- 30.020(2)(f), Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.). The filing fee must be received by **December 3, 2025**, which will be the official filing date for this rate case. Pursuant to Rule 25-30.455(7), F.A.C., the Commission will deny the application if a Utility does not remit the filing fee within 30 days after official acceptance.

Please forward a copy of Buttonwood's application for a SARC to the Chief Executive Officer of Highlands County as required by Section 367.091(2), F.S., which states:

Upon filing an application for new rates, the utility shall mail a copy of the application to the chief executive officer of the governing body of each county within the service areas included in the rate request. The governing body may petition the Commission for leave to intervene in the rate change proceeding and the Commission shall grant intervener status to any governing body that files a petition.

Please file an affidavit stating that this requirement has been fulfilled. The affidavit and filing fee should be sent to the address on the following page. Please include the docket number (20250122-WS) on all filings with the Commission Clerk.

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Members of the Commission staff will contact you concerning examination of the Utility's books and records.

Please be aware that the Florida Rural Water Association (FRWA) is an available resource that assists both small and large water and wastewater systems with all phases of water and wastewater operations. The FRWA is a nonprofit, non-regulatory professional association. For more information, you may visit the FRWA's website at www.frwa.net or call (850) 668-2746. If you have any questions regarding the rate proceeding, please call Matthew Sibley at (850) 413-6516 or email msibley@psc.state.fl.us.

Sincerely,

Elisabeth Draper, Director Division of Economics

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cc: Commission Clerk's Office (Docket No. 20250122-WS)

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