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VIA EMAIL

Re: Docket No. 20260095-WS – Application for transfer of majority organizational control of First Coast Regional Utilities, Inc., holder of water Certificate No. 680-W and wastewater Certificate No. 578-S in Duval, Baker, and Nassau Counties, from Roberts Utility Holdings, LLC to Florida Water Holdings, Inc.

Dear Mr. Wahlen:

Florida Public Service Commission (Commission) staff has reviewed the application for transfer of majority organizational control (application) submitted by Florida Water Holdings, Inc. (Utility) on June 24, 2026. After review, staff found the application to be deficient due to the following:

1. **Notice of Application.** Rule 25-30.037(4)(b), Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), requires the applicant to provide proof of noticing, pursuant to Rule 25-30.030, F.A.C. Rule 25-30.030(6), F.A.C., states that all applications requiring noticing shall be deemed deficient until affidavits of noticing required by Sections 367.045(1)(e) and (2)(f), Florida Statutes, along with a copy of the notice, are filed with the Office of Commission Clerk. Staff notes that the Utility cannot correct this deficiency until its draft notice has been approved by staff and has been issued in accordance with Rule 25-30.030(5), F.A.C. However, staff is working with the Utility toward approval of the draft notice. Upon staff approval of the Utility's draft notice and issuance of the same, please provide proof of noticing, pursuant to Rule 25-30.030, F.A.C.
2. **Ownership.** Rule 25-30.037(4)(d), F.A.C., requires that the applicant provide a description of the ownership transfer, including the date the transfer occurred or will occur and a description of the resulting ownership interests in the Utility. The description of ownership provided in the application is not sufficient to demonstrate the complete ownership structure before the proposed transfer. Please provide a comprehensive description and organizational chart, if applicable, identifying all direct and indirect owners, the percentage of ownership held by each owner, the effective date(s) of any ownership changes, and the ownership relationships among all parent companies,

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subsidiaries, and affiliated entities both prior to and following the proposed transaction. The response should clearly identify the ultimate controlling entity and demonstrate how ownership will change as a result of the proposed transfer.

Your application will not be deemed filed until the deficiencies identified in this letter have been corrected. These corrections should be submitted no later than **Monday, August 24, 2026**, to the following address:

Office of Commission Clerk
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Should you have any questions concerning the information in this letter, please feel free to contact Ailynee Ramirez-Abundez by phone at (850) 413-6974 or email at aramirez@psc.state.fl.us for technical questions, or Major Thompson by phone at (850) 413-6076 or email at major.thompson@psc.state.fl.us for legal questions. Please include the docket number on all submissions to the Commission Clerk.

Sincerely,

s/ Ailynee Ramirez-Abundez

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