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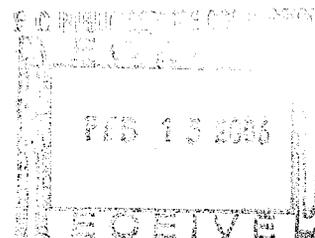
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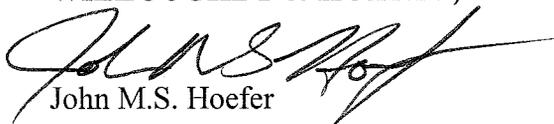
Re: Posting Notice for Allowable Ex Parte Communication Briefing

Dear Mr. Terreni:

Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-9-260(C)(6)(a)(v)-(vii), Carolina Water Service, Inc., United Utility Companies, Inc., Utilities Services of South Carolina, Inc., Tega Cay Water Service, Inc., and Southland Utilities, Inc., by and through their undersigned counsel, respectfully request that the Public Service Commission of South Carolina post the attached "Notice of Request for Allowable Ex Parte Briefing" on its website no later than February 22, 2006. The undersigned has confirmed that the Commissioners and Commission employees identified in the attached Notice, as well as the Executive Director of the Office of Regulatory Staff or his designee, are available and willing to attend the Briefing as described in the attached Notice.

Sincerely,

WILLOUGHBY & HOEFER, P.A.


John M.S. Hoefer

cc: Honorable C. Dukes Scott
Florence P. Belser, Esquire

Enclosure

NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR ALLOWABLE EX PARTE BRIEFING

Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-9-260(C)(6)(a)(v)-(vii), the Public Service Commission of South Carolina hereby provides the following notice of a request for an allowable ex parte communication briefing:

Person or Party Requesting the Briefing: Carolina Water Service, Inc., United Utility Companies, Inc., Utilities Services of South Carolina, Inc., Tega Cay Water Service, Inc. and Southland Utilities, Inc. (the "Companies").

Date and Time of the Proposed Briefing: February 28, 2006 commencing at 3:30 p.m. or upon conclusion of the Commission meeting that day, whichever is later, and ending one hour thereafter.

Commissioners and Commission Employees Requested to Attend Briefing: Chairman Randy Mitchell, Vice Chairman G. O'Neal Hamilton, Commissioners John E. "Butch" Howard, David A. Wright, Elizabeth B. "Lib" Fleming, Mignon L. Clyburn and Charles "Bob" Moseley, Chief Clerk/Administrator Charles L.A. Terreni and the following Commission Staff Members: General Counsel Joseph M. Melchers, Senior Counsel F. David Butler, Deputy Clerk Jocelyn G. Boyd, Executive Assistant Dr. James Spearman, and Senior Audit Advisor Tom Ellison.

Subject Matter to Be Discussed at Briefing: An overview of the Companies' operations in South Carolina, including the geographic areas where water and sewer service is provided, the systems and facilities operated in the provision of services, the personnel employed and associated payroll, total investment in the state, taxes and assessments paid, the policy of the Companies regarding the

acquisition of distressed utility systems, customer service, and community involvement. Representatives of the Companies will also be prepared to respond to any questions Commissioners may have regarding the topics to be discussed.

Commission Docket No.:

Not applicable.