Memorandum

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

Agenda Item No. 8(R)(1)(B)

Date: April 24, 2007

To: Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro and Members, Board of County Commissioners

From: George M. Burgess
County Manager

Subject: Contract with the City of Hialeah Gardens for the Provision of Water Service

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RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners (Board) approve and adopt the attached resolution authorizing the execution of a contract between Miami-Dade County and the City of Hialeah Gardens providing for the rendition of water service by Miami-Dade County to the City of Hialeah Gardens for a twenty (20) year period to coincide with the County's application for a twenty (20) year consumptive use permit with the South Florida Water Management District (District).

SCOPE OF AGENDA ITEM

The agenda item has a county-wide impact as the County must have water available to provide water service to this municipality for a 20-year period.

FISCAL IMPACT/FUNDING SOURCE

This agenda item is for wholesale water service which results in revenue to Miami-Dade Water and Sewer Department (MDWASD). The water revenue from the City of Hialeah in 2005 was $605,787. The revenue from all wholesale water customers is approximately $22 million annually.

TRACK RECORD/MONITOR

MDWASD's Intergovernmental Affairs Manager will monitor the contract.

BACKGROUND

Per the terms and conditions of the original contract between Miami-Dade County and the City of Hialeah Gardens dated February 20, 1996, Amendment One dated April 20, 2001 and Amendment Two dated December 15, 2003 the County shall provide water service to the City of Hialeah Gardens until December 15, 2013. This contract is being substituted by a new contract which adheres to the terms and conditions of the Miami-Dade County Interim Consumptive Use Authorization and Agreement (Agreement) established between the County and the District via Resolution No. 449-06 on April 25, 2006. The Agreement requires the County to extend its volume water service contracts for a twenty (20) year period to coincide with the County's request for a twenty (20) year consumptive use permit. In accordance with the requirements of the Agreement with the District, this new contract with the City of Hialeah Gardens is for the provision of water service for a twenty (20) year term. The new contract has been approved by the City of Hialeah Gardens.

Assistant County Manager

MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

TO: Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: April 24, 2007

FROM: Murray A. Greenberg
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 8(R)(1)(B)

Please note any items checked.

_____ **"4-Day Rule" ("3-Day Rule" for committees) applicable if raised**

_____ **6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing**

_____ **4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing**

_____ **Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget**

_____ **Budget required**

_____ **Statement of fiscal impact required**

_____ **Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation**

_____ **Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing**

_____ **Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)**

_____ **No committee review**

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Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

Agenda Item No. 8(R)(1)(B)

04-24-07

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION APPROVING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH THE CITY OF HIALEAH GARDENS FOR PROVISION OF WATER SERVICE BY THE COUNTY TO THE CITY

WHEREAS, this Board desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the accompanying memorandum, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board hereby approves the execution of the contract with the City of Hialeah Gardens for the provision of water service for a twenty (20) year period by the County to the City, in substantially the form attached hereto and made a part hereof; and authorizes the County Mayor to execute same for and on behalf of Miami-Dade County, Florida.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Bruno A. Barreiro, Chairman
Barbara J. Jordan, Vice-Chairwoman

Jose "Pepe" Diaz
Carlos A. Gimenez
Joe A. Martinez
Dorrin D. Rolle
Katy Sorenson
Sen. Javier D. Souto
Audrey M. Edmonson
Sally A. Heyman
Dennis C. Moss
Natacha Seijas
Rebeca Sosa

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 24th day of April, 2007. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By:_____
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency

David M. Murray

CONTRACT
BETWEEN
MIAMI-DADE COUNTY
AND
CITY OF HIALEAH GARDENS, FLORIDA
PROVIDING FOR THE RENDITION OF WATER SERVICE

THIS CONTRACT, made and entered into this _____ day of_____,2007, between Miami-Dade County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, referred to as the "COUNTY" and the City of Hialeah Gardens, a municipal corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Florida, referred to as the "CITY ".

W I T N E S S E T H:

WHEREAS, on February 20, 1996, the COUNTY and the CITY entered into a Contract providing for the rendition of water service by the COUNTY to the CITY until February 20, 2001, and

WHEREAS, on April 20, 2001, the COUNTY and the CITY entered into Amendment Number One to the agreement, and

WHEREAS, on December 15, 2003 the COUNTY and the CITY entered into Amendment Number Two providing for the rendition of water service by the COUNTY to the CITY until December 15,2013, and

WHEREAS, on May 10, 2006, the COUNTY and the South Florida Water Management District entered into a contract which requires the COUNTY to obtain twenty (20) year water service contracts with its volume water customers to coincide with the request of the COUNTY for twenty (20) year Consumptive Use Permits issued by the South Florida Water Management District, and

WHEREAS, without a twenty (20) year contract with the CITY, the water supply source for the CITY, may be allocated from an alternative more expensive source for the CITY, and

WHEREAS, the COUNTY and the CITY desire to enter into this Contract so the COUNTY can continue to render water service to the CITY for a twenty (20)year period, and

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade Water and Sewer Department, referred to as the "Department", operates and maintains the COUNTY's water system.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and obligations set forth, the COUNTY and CITY agree as follows:

1. Insofar as it may be lawful to do so in accordance with the terms and limitations of any Consumptive Use Permit issued he COUNTY by the SFWMD, and subsequent to the terms herein, the COUNTY shall sell and deliver to the CITY and the CITY shall purchase and receive from the COUNTY potable water necessary to fulfill the water requirements of the CITY during the effective period of this Contract. Potable water obtained by the CITY from the COUNTY may be utilized to serve the CITY's customers in its existing water service area or future water service area(s) that the CITY is legally authorized to serve.

2. Notwithstanding the obligations of Paragraph 1 above, if the COUNTY should have an insufficient supply of water available to fulfill the total requirements of all customers of the COUNTY due to prohibitions, restrictions, limitations or requirements of local, state or federal governments having jurisdiction over such matters or due to any other cause beyond the COUNTY's control including but not limited to those specifically set forth in Paragraph 21 below, the COUNTY shall be deemed to have fully performed its duties and to have discharged its obligations if it furnishes and delivers the CITY's prorata share of such supply as determined by the COUNTY. The COUNTY will not be discriminatory in its delivery of water service. The COUNTY shall give expeditious notice to the CITY whenever the COUNTY becomes aware of conditions which could reasonably lead to an outage or shortage of such potable water supply or which may bring about such condition. Notwithstanding the preceding, the County shall not be obligated to take or omit any action to ensure current or future water supply to the City.

3. The CITY agrees to be bound by existing and future standards, laws, rules and regulations which may be enacted by the COUNTY or as may be necessary to ensure continued compliance with local, state and federal laws and regulations and permit conditions.

4. The water furnished will be delivered by the COUNTY and will be accepted and received by the CITY at the following points of delivery:

a. NW 87th Avenue and NW 122nd Street (2 Meters)

Additional points of delivery may be established at such times and places as shall be mutually agreed by the Director of the Department and the CITY. The CITY shall bear the entire cost and expense of establishing each such additional point of delivery, obtaining such easements as may be needed and furnishing all necessary labor and materials required to connect with the COUNTY's main, all in accordance with plans and specifications which are subject to approval of the COUNTY. The CITY will supply and install meter(s) and transfer ownership to the COUNTY. The CITY shall convey to the COUNTY, by appropriate bill of sale, as shown on Exhibit "A" attached hereto, and Grants of Easements, all of the CITY's right, title and interest in and to the tees or crosses in the feeder mains, meters, meter vaults and all piping, valves and appurtenances between and including the aforesaid tees or crosses and the valve immediately on the discharge side of the meters. The COUNTY shall thenceforth own, control, operate and maintain such facilities. Readings of each meter at all points of delivery shall be taken by the COUNTY on or about the 28th day of each month and shall be used for monthly billing purposes under the provisions of Paragraph 11 below.

5. The Parties agree and warrant that their respective water distribution and transmission system and any extensions shall be constructed, operated and maintained in accordance with the requirements of all applicable federal, state, county and other local laws, rules and regulations. The operation and maintenance of all facilities on the CITY side of the meters shall be the responsibility of the CITY. Upon reasonable notice that the CITY is in violation of this Agreement, the CITY shall provide the COUNTY with access to the CITY's distribution and transmission system. Said inspections shall be made at reasonable times and upon reasonable notice in such manner as to least disturb the normal operation of the CITY.

6. In order for the COUNTY to adequately plan for future water demands, within ninety days following execution of this contract and on or before each January 1 thereafter, the CITY shall submit to the COUNTY the CITY's projected annual water needs for the next five years. Within 120 days of the COUNTY's receipt of the CITY's projected annual water needs for the next five years, the County will notify the City of the County's ability or inability to meet such needs, which is subject to local, state and federal agencies and other regulatory bodies having jurisdiction over such matters. The CITY agrees that the COUNTY shall not be liable or in any way responsible for any cost, claims or losses

incurred by the CITY as a result of actions by regulatory bodies. Notwithstanding the preceding, nothing contained herein shall require the COUNTY to take or omit any action to ensure that the expected demand is satisfied. Any representation as to the County's ability to satisfy expected demands is conditional, and shall not obligate the County to deliver any specific amount of water.

7. The COUNTY shall own, operate and maintain metering stations at the points of delivery listed above which will measure all potable water delivered by the COUNTY to the CITY. The metering stations shall be of standard make and type installed in a readily accessible location with checking or calibration devices. The installation shall indicate flow with an error not to exceed plus or minus two percent of full scale reading (true accuracy). The Department, at its sole expense, shall check the accuracy of each metering installation once every six months, or at such other time intervals as it may deem appropriate. The Department shall provide the results of the checking to the CITY's Public Works Director no later than thirty (30) days after the meter is checked. Such checking shall be at a reasonable time, mutually agreeable to the Department and the CITY. If found to be in error exceeding two (2) percent of true accuracy, the meter shall be recalibrated to the satisfaction of the parties. If such error of more than two (2) percent is discovered, bills for the periods following the prior meter accuracy check shall be adjusted to reflect the quantity of over-read or under-read exceeding two (2) percent. In calculating such billing adjustment it will be assumed that the meter inaccuracy existed for the entire time interval between meter accuracy tests. The billing adjustment shall be made at the same rate in effect during the period of meter inaccuracy.

8. The CITY may request and the COUNTY agrees to perform a meter accuracy test at any reasonable time acceptable to both parties. If the meter is found to be in error exceeding two percent true accuracy, it shall be recalibrated as described above and the entire cost for such testing and recalibration shall be paid for by the COUNTY. If the meter is found performing within two (2) percent true accuracy, the meter accuracy test shall be paid for by the CITY within thirty (30) days of receiving the COUNTY's invoice.

9. In the event of complete or partial failure of any meters to register the CITY's water consumption, the COUNTY may determine

the estimated water consumption based on the most recent twelve (12) full months of consumption measured by the meters when they were operating properly or another method mutually agreed upon by the Department and the CITY. To the extent possible, the COUNTY shall repair all failed meters within thirty (30) days of the determination that the meter has completely or partially failed.

10. It shall be the obligation and duty of the CITY to transmit the water at its own expense from each point of delivery to the place or places of ultimate use and, in so doing, to supply and impart to the water such adequate pressure and flow as may be necessary to provide adequate pressure at all points beyond such points of delivery. Accordingly, the COUNTY shall not be responsible for insufficient pressure, for either domestic or fire flow service, nor be required to correct any fluctuation in pressure occurring beyond any point of delivery. The COUNTY shall provide at least 24-hour notice before any planned decrease in pressure which would affect the CITY's ability to deliver services to any CITY customer, is implemented by the County.

11. The CITY shall pay to the COUNTY, as compensation for the treatment and transmission of all water delivered to the CITY, a monthly charge for such service based on a uniform rate for the COUNTY's volume customers. The rate shall be calculated for each Department fiscal year based on projections from the prior Department fiscal year and based on the sum of the following:

(a) That portion of all budgeted annual operating and maintenance expenses, including taxes assessed, if any, for the COUNTY's regional water system divided by the projected total amount of flow used to bill all the COUNTY's water customers over the same time period.
(b) That portion of the budgeted annual renewal and replacement expenses for the COUNTY's regional water system divided by the total projected amount of flow used to bill all the COUNTY water customers over the same time period.
(c) That portion of the COUNTY's budgeted annual interest obligations of outstanding notes and bonds for the COUNTY's regional water system divided by the projected total amount of flow used to bill all the COUNTY water customers over the same time period.
(d) That portion of the budgeted annual charge for the amortization of the COUNTY's outstanding notes and bonds

for the COUNTY's regional water system, to be consistent with the requirements under law, divided by the total projected amount of flow used to bill all the COUNTY's water customers over the same time period.

(e) That portion of the budgeted annual charge for customer accounting and service, for the COUNTY's regional water system divided by the total projected amount of flow used to bill all the COUNTY's water customers over the same time period.

(f) That portion of projected annual administration and general expenses, for the COUNTY's regional water system, divided by the total projected amount of flow used to bill all the COUNTY's water customers over the same time period.

(g) That portion of the charge for debt service coverage requirement for bond issues for the COUNTY's regional water system divided by the total projected amount of flow used to bill all the COUNTY's water customers over the same time period.

12. The City shall prepare a water conservation plan for its distribution system, to the satisfaction of the COUNTY, and shall implement the tenets of such plan. This plan shall comply with applicable local, state and federal conservation rules and guidance, as appropriate. The COUNTY may impose a surcharge on the use of such amounts of water by the CITY as could be conserved by the CITY through the implementation of a conservation plan, provided that the surcharge is applied uniformly to all volume water customers of COUNTY. The amount of the surcharge is subject to the review and approval of the Board of County Commissioners. Water conservation is a necessary to meet the public water supply demands of the COUNTY.

13. The COUNTY reserves the right to revise or modify the rate and the method of calculation included in Paragraph 11 as may be approved by the Board of County Commissioners in accordance with applicable law and the CITY agrees to be bound thereby. The COUNTY will attempt to provide the CITY with a preliminary rate and shall attempt to provide such rate a minimum of six (6) weeks in advance of any rate increase effective date. The CITY recognizes and agrees that the adopted rate may differ from the preliminary rate. The CITY recognizes and agrees that the COUNTY intends to implement in the future such charges or rate structures, including but not limited to peak flow surcharges, as it deems necessary to fairly

recover its costs for any needed infrastructure improvements. The CITY further recognizes and agrees that the COUNTY's right to revise or modify the rate or methods of calculation under this paragraph is not limited solely to revisions or modifications allowing the COUNTY to recover costs for infrastructure improvements.

14. The COUNTY grants the CITY the right to audit all Department records related to the computation of the rates for each fiscal year. Upon written notice, the COUNTY shall make available for the CITY such records at the offices of the Department on an annual basis. In the event that such audit indicates any discrepancy between the rates used by the COUNTY in computing the monthly service charges to the CITY and the amount paid by the CITY determined as a result of the audit, and following the COUNTY's acceptance of the audit findings, the COUNTY shall make an adjustment, for that fiscal year, in the service charges previously paid by the CITY. The audit must be completed on or before the end of each fiscal year for which the rates apply. Adjustments shall not be made for prior fiscal years.

15. Billings for services provided in accordance with this contract shall be rendered monthly. Invoices will be mailed by the tenth day of the month following the month for which service has been provided, based on meter readings taken by Department employees on or about the 28th day of each month. Amounts billed on such invoices are due when rendered. In the event the CITY disputes a bill, the CITY shall provide the COUNTY with notice of the reasons for non-payment and shall escrow such portion of the bill that is disputed in an interest-bearing account. The parties shall promptly meet and use good faith efforts to resolve the dispute within forty-five(45) days of the notice. Except for any portion of a bill disputed by the CITY, payments not received by the Department on or before twenty-five (25) days after the postmark date of the bill shall be considered past due. All past due invoices shall be subject to a late charge as established by the COUNTY, such charge to reimburse the Department for costs in processing and otherwise administering late payments. In addition, per annum interest shall accrue on the past due charges including the late charges at the maximum legal rate provided by Florida law for contracts in which no interest rate is specified, for each day, including Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, from the past due date until the date of receipt by the Department. For purposes of this paragraph, date of receipt shall be the date of actual receipt by the Department if hand delivered or mailed, or date of transfer to the Department's bank, if electronic funds transfer is used.

16. Any and all suits brought by either party shall be instituted and maintained in any court of competent jurisdiction in Miami-Dade County, Florida. In all such suits, the prevailing party shall be entitled to receive costs and reasonable attorney's fees. The amount of such costs and fees shall be determined by the court in which such actions are brought.

17. The CITY shall accept delivery of water transmitted at a flow rate as nearly uniform as practical throughout each daily 24-hour period during November, December, January, February, March and April of each year and at all such other times when the daily quantity delivered during the preceding six (6) months set forth above. The COUNTY shall have the right to make such tests as it shall deem necessary, and at such times as it shall deem to be appropriate, to determine to what extent the maximum 60-minutes sustained demand imposed upon the facilities of the COUNTY by the requirements of the CITY between the hours of 6:00 A.M. and 9:00 P.M. is exceeding the average daily demand for the same month. For the purpose of making each such test and of ascertaining and utilizing the result to give effect to the provisions of this Paragraph, the COUNTY shall use a recording flow meter installed at each of the points of delivery provided for in Paragraph 4 above. Such tests shall apply to each of the six (6) months set forth above and to any other month in which the average daily demand is equal to or greater than the average daily demand for the six (6) months considered collectively. Provided however, that no test allowed by this paragraph shall occur on less than three (3) business days notice to the CITY.

18. In the event that the maximum 60-minute sustained demand between the hours of 6:00 A.M. and 9:00 P.M. as shown simultaneously by all recording flow meters considered collectively shall exceed one hundred sixty (160) percent of the average daily demand for the same month, the COUNTY shall notify the CITY in writing providing the CITY with ten (10) days to reduce the demand to less than one hundred sixty (160) of the average daily demand. If no such reduction occurs, the COUNTY shall have the right to increase the rate per thousand (1,000) gallons of water, for all water delivered during the month in which such test is made, by one (1) percent of the rate for each four (4) percent or major fraction thereof (2.5 percent) by which the maximum 60-minute sustained demand shall exceed one hundred sixty (160) percent of the average daily demand. No increase in rate provided for in this paragraph shall be applied during any period of time when any of the transmission, storage or pumping facilities of the CITY are not available for service due to reasons beyond the control of the CITY

such as water main breaks, major emergency/scheduled maintenance at the water plant or fires.

19. The CITY shall establish, impose, maintain and collect, or shall cause to be established, imposed, maintained and collected at all times throughout the effective period such rates and charges for water distributed as will enable it to pay in full all amounts to which the COUNTY shall be entitled.

20. No property taxes shall be levied or collected by the CITY upon the properties of the Department. Additionally, the CITY shall not impose any zoning changes upon the properties of the Department.

21. Any cessation of water services and any consequences caused by force majeure, inevitable accident or occurrence or cause beyond the reasonable control of either Party, shall not constitute a breach of this Contract and neither party shall be liable to the other or its inhabitants or customers for any damage resulting from such cessation or interruption of water service. Force majeure shall mean an act of God which includes but is not limited to sudden, unexpected or extraordinary forces of nature such as floods, washouts, storms, fires, earthquakes, landslides, hurricanes, epidemics, explosions or other forces of nature, strikes, lockouts, other industrial disturbances, wars, blockades, acts of terrorism, insurrections, riots, federal, state, county and local governmental restrictions, regulations and restraints, military action, civil disturbances, or conditions in federal, state, county and local permits.

Neither party shall be liable for its failure to carry out its obligations under the contract during a period when such party is rendered unable, in whole or in part, by force majeure or inevitable accidents or occurrences to carry out such obligations, but the obligations of the party or parties relying on such force majeure shall be suspended only during the continuance of any inability so caused and for no longer period of an unexpected or uncontrollable event, and such cause shall, so far as possible, be remedied with all reasonable dispatch. It is further agreed and stipulated that the right of any party to excuse its failure to perform by reason of force majeure shall be conditioned upon such party giving, to the other party , written notice of its assertion that a force majeure delay has commenced within ten (10) working days after such commencement, unless there exists good cause for failure to give such notice, in which event, failure to give such notice shall not prejudice any party's right to justify any non-

performance as caused by force majeure unless the failure to give timely notice causes material prejudice to the other party.

22. In accordance with the provision of County Ordinance No. 89-95 as currently in effect and as may be amended or revised in the future, the CITY shall require all new retail users, as defined in the Ordinance, to pay the COUNTY's water and sewer connection charges. The CITY shall not render water service, sewer service or both to any new retail user until or a written receipt from the Department is provided to the CITY. Pursuant to Ordinance No. 05-167, the provision of water and/or sewer service to new retail users by the CITY who did not pay the appropriate charges, shall render the CITY liable to the COUNTY for the payment of such charges.

23. In consideration of good and valuable consideration received from the COUNTY and in consideration of the covenants in this Contract, the CITY agrees to indemnify and save harmless forever, the COUNTY, its officers, agents and employees from all claims, liability, actions, loss, cost and expense, including attorney's fees, which may be sustained by the COUNTY, it officers, agents, and employees due to, caused by, or arising from the negligence of the CITY , its officers, employees and agents in connection with the performance of this Contract. The CITY agrees to defend against any claims brought or actions filed against the COUNTY, its officers, agents and employees in connection with the subject of the indemnities contained herein.

24. In consideration of good and valuable consideration received from the CITY and in consideration of the covenants in this Contract, the COUNTY agrees to indemnify and save harmless forever, the CITY , its officers, agents and employees from all claims, liability, actions, loss, cost and expense, including attorney's fees, which may be sustained by the CITY , it officers, agents, and employees due to, caused by, or arising from the negligence of the COUNTY, its officers, employees and agents in connection with the performance of this Contract. The COUNTY agrees to defend against any claims brought or actions filed against the CITY , its officers, agents and employees in connection with the subject of the indemnities contained herein.

25. Notwithstanding the above, nothing shall create any liability of the COUNTY or CITY beyond the scope of Section 768.28 Florida Statutes, as currently in effect or as lawfully amended in the future.

26. No rights pursuant to this contract shall be assignable by the CITY unless the COUNTY agrees in writing.

27. This Contract shall be and remain in full force and effect for a period of twenty (20) years from the date of execution of this Contract providing the South Florida Water Management District extends the current Consumptive Use Permits for a twenty (20) year period. The CITY shall comply with the terms and conditions of the Consumptive Use Permit issued by the SFWMD and any revisions or modifications to said Permit. Where the Permit requires reporting of various measures to the SFWMD, or requires actions be taken to the satisfaction of the SFWMD, the CITY shall make such reports or take such actions to the satisfaction of the COUNTY. The COUNTY may enforce any Permit term imposed on the COUNTY against the CITY without need for prior legal or administrative action against the COUNTY by the SFWMD.

28. The CITY grants to the COUNTY the right to provide reuse water for non-drinking purposes, when available, within the CITY subject to federal, state and local laws and regulations in effect and as may be amended in the future, subject to the issuance of construction permits by the CITY and upon the CITY's engineer giving approval in writing which shall not be unreasonably withheld. The CITY agrees to accept and utilize re-use water in lieu of potable water, if such water is provided by the COUNTY, to the extent the use for which the COUNTY is offering such re-use water is permitted by law.

29. All notices required pursuant to this Contract shall be properly given if mailed by United States registered or certified mail addressed to the party to which notice is to be given at the following respective addresses:

Miami-Dade County
c/o The Director
Miami-Dade Water and Sewer Department
3071 SW 38 Avenue
Miami Florida 33146

City of Hialeah Gardens
Mayor
10001 NW 87th Avenue
Hialeah Gardens, Florida 33016

30. This contract shall be governed by and construed according to the laws of the State of Florida, and venue shall be in Miami-Dade County, Florida.

31. This Contract contains the entire Contract of the parties with respect to the subject matter and replaces and supersedes all prior contracts or understandings, oral or written, with respect to such subject matter, and such contracts or understandings are now void and no longer in effect.

32. If any Section of this Contract is found to be null and void, the other Sections shall remain in full force and effect.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this instrument to be executed in their names and their corporate seals affixed and to all duplicates by their respective officers all as of the day and year above.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

ATTEST:

By: _____
Clerk

By: _____ (SEAL)
County Manager

ATTEST:

CITY OF HIALEAH GARDENS

By: _____
City Clerk

By: _____ (SEAL)
Mayor

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:

_____
Assistant County Attorney

Approved as to form:

_____
Attorney for City