INSURANCE CERTIFICATE

PERFORMANCE BOND

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that ______, being duly qualified to do business in the State of South Carolina, designated as "principal", and that ______, designated as "surety", are held and firmly bound unto the Public Service Commission of South Carolina, designed as "obligee", in the penal sum of ______(\$____) Dollars, for the payment of which well and truly to be made, the principal binds itself, its successors and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of <u>S.C. Code Ann.</u>, 58-5-720 (1976), which requires the principal to furnish a bond with sufficient surety, to the satisfaction of the obligee, conditioned as provided in said 58-5-720, and

WHEREAS, the principal is seeking a certificate of public convenience and necessity and approval of a schedule of rates for water and/or sewer service in areas shown on operating area maps filed with the obligee, and

WHEREAS, this bond, when approved by the obligee, conditioned as in said 58-5-720, is to cover any and all liability, which may arise as a result of the principal failing to provide adequate and sufficient service within its service area as prescribed in 58-5-720, and

WHEREAS, the obligee, upon notice and hearing, shall have the right to declare all or any part of the bond forfeited upon a determination by the obligee that the principal shall have will fully failed to provide such service as prescribed above, without just cause or excuse, and that such failure has continued for an unreasonable length of time, and WHEREAS, the liability under the terms of this bond is hereby extended so as to include any fines or penalties imposed or assessed by the obligee against the principal under the provisions of <u>S.C. Code Ann.</u>, 58-5-710 (1976), and

WHEREAS, in the event that any judicial action or proceedings are initiated with respect to this bond, the parties hereby agree that the venue thereof shall be Richland County, State of South Carolina, and

WHEREAS, the bond shall become effective on the date executed by the principal and surety, and shall continue from year to year unless the obligations of the principal and surety under this bond are expressly released by the obligee in writing, and

WHEREAS, the obligee upon notice and opportunity to the principal and surety to be heard, may order that the face account of this bond to be changed within the limits set forth in <u>S.C.</u> <u>Code Ann.</u>, 58-5-720 (1976).

NOW, THEREFORE, in testimony whereof, said principal has hereunto subscribed its name and said principal has caused this instrument to be signed by its duly authorized officers, and its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed, this _____ day of ______ 20___.

COMPANY

BY

INSURANCE COMPANY

BY

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IN PRESENCE OF:

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF PRINCIPAL

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF _____

On _______, 20___, before me personally came ______ to me known, and who being by me duly sworn, did depose and state: that he is the _______ of _______ , the Corporation which executed the foregoing instrument: that he knows the seal of said Corporation, that the seal affixed to the said instrument is such corporate seal; that it was so affixed by the order of the Board of Directors of said Corporation, and that he signed his name to said instrument by like order.

SWORN TO BEFORE ME THIS

_____ day of ______, 20_____

Notary Public for South Carolina

My Commission Expires:

(Affix seal if not South Carolina notary Public)

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF SURETY

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF _____

On _____, 20_, ______came

before me personally, and to me known, and who being by me duly sworn, did depose and state: That he is the ______ of ______, the Corporation which executed the foregoing instrument, that he knows the seal of said Corporation, that the seal affixed to the said instrument is such Corporate seal; that it was so affixed by the order of the Board of Directors of said Corporation, and that he/she signed his/her name to said instrument by like order.

Sworn to before me this

____ day of _____, 20_____

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

(Affix seal if not South Carolina Notary Public)

_____(L.S.)