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Tennessee Regulatory Authority
Monica Smith-Ashford, Hearing Officer
460 James Robertson Parkway
Nashville, TN 37243-0505

**Re: Petition of Hammerland Utilities, Inc. for a Certificate of Public Convenience
and Necessity to Provide Wastewater Service in Tennessee; Docket #14-00124**

Dear Ms. Smith-Ashford:

On August 10, 2016, I filed a letter with the Authority stating that Hammerland Utilities, Inc. is withdrawing its petition for a certificate to provide wastewater service to the River Trace II development in Stewart County, Tennessee. At the request of the Authority staff, this letter will explain the reason for the withdrawal.

At the time this petition was filed, no other utility was willing and able to provide wastewater service to the service area requested by Hammerland Utilities. Mr. Don Scholes, attorney for the West Stewart Utility District, has informed me that on July 28, 2016, the West Stewart Utility District, which is the water provider for this area, obtained authority to provide wastewater service and is willing and able to provide wastewater service to the River Trace II development. Since there is no longer a public need for the wastewater services of Hammerland Utilities, Hammerland has withdrawn its application.¹

Very truly yours,

BRADLEY ARANT BOULT CUMMINGS LLP

By:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "H. Walker", written over a horizontal line.

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¹ Hammerland is currently providing wastewater service at no charge to a small number of residential customers living in River Trace II. After a transition period, these customers may either receive service from the West Stewart Utility District or may use private septic tanks.