STATE OF FLORIDA SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

SEVEN SPRINGS WATER COMPANY,

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VS.

WUP App. No. 2-041-218202-3 DOAH Case No. 20-3581

SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT,

Respondent.	
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SEVEN SPRINGS WATER COMPANY'S RESPONSE TO DISTRICT'S EXCEPTIONS

Petitioner, Seven Springs Water Company, by and through the undersigned counsel and pursuant to section 120.57, Florida Statutes ("F.S."), and rule 28-106.217, Florida Administrative Code ("F.A.C."), hereby submits the following responses to the exceptions filed by Respondent, Suwannee River Water Management District ("District"), to the Recommended Order issued in this proceeding, and states as follows:

SUMMARY OF ARGUMENT

As discussed in detail below, the District's "exceptions" fail to, and cannot, allege that the Administrative Law Judge's ("ALJ") findings are not based upon competent, substantial evidence or that the proceedings on which the findings were based did not comply with the essential requirements of law, which are the only legal basis for rejecting a finding of fact under section 120.57(1)(1), F.S. Likewise, the District's erroneous arguments regarding the application of section 120.60, F.S., have been rejected multiple times by the ALJ. And, more importantly, the District's