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Re: Docket W-1305, Sub 25
Pluris' Application for Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("CPCN")
to provide sewer service to Highlands Business Park in Pender County

Dear Ms. Coxton and Ms. Jost:

I write in response to your letter of July 7, 2023, regarding the Application for a CPCN filed by Pluris Hampstead, LLC ("Pluris") on February 5, 2020 in the above-referenced docket. This Application is active and has been pending since then. Pluris is aware of and sensitive to the Public Staff having seen a number of retirements of key personnel over the past several years, with workload being distributed among remaining staff. That being said, this Application has been pending for over three years and there has been no request from the Public Staff for supplementation of this Application or any suggestion from the Public Staff that this Application is deficient in any way.

Pluris does not wish to withdraw the Application, and it continues to seek the CPCN that is the subject of this Application. While Pluris is not aware of any reasonable basis upon which the Commission would deem the pending application to be incomplete or direct the Company to refile an application "with current information," Pluris is willing to waive the deadlines set forth in Session Law 2023-67 as to this docket, as permitted by Section 1.(b)(2) of that law.

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With best regards, we remain

Sincerely yours,

BURNS, DAY & PRESNELL, PA

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Daniel C. Higgins", written over the printed name.

Daniel C. Higgins

cc: NCUC Clerk's Office