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NORTH CAROLINA PUBLIC STAFF UTILITIES COMMISSION

July 24, 2023

Ms. A. Shonta Dunston, Chief Clerk North Carolina Utilities Commission 4325 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4300

> Re: Docket No. W-1305, Sub 25 – Application for Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Wastewater Utility Service in Highlands Business Park in Pender County

Dear Ms. Dunston:

On July 7, 2023, the Public Staff filed a letter in the subject docket asking Pluris Hampstead, LLC (Company) to file a letter in the docket no later than July 14, 2023, indicating whether the Company wishes to withdraw the application or proceed with the application. The letter advised the Company that the Public Staff will ask that the Commission deem the pending application incomplete and direct the Company to refile an application updated with current information if the Company (1) fails to file a letter by July 14, 2023, or (2) submits a filing indicating that it wishes to proceed with the application.

The Company responded to the letter on July 14, 2023. The Company stated that it would like to proceed with the application as filed and does not intend to withdraw the application. It is willing to waive the deadlines set forth in Session Law 2023-67 as permitted by Section 1.(b)(2) of that law.

Notwithstanding the Company's response, the Public Staff deems the application incomplete because the information included in the application and on file with the Commission is too outdated for the Public Staff to make a recommendation and for the Commission to make a determination as to whether the application should be approved. The Public Staff, therefore, recommends that the Commission (1) determine that the application is incomplete and (2) direct the

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Company to file an amended application form and all required exhibits with information current as of no earlier than December 31, 2022.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

<u>Electronically submitted</u> /s/ James Bernier, Jr. Staff Attorney james.bernier@psncuc.nc.gov

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