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March 2, 2016

Ms. Cissy Proctor, Executive Director Department of Economic Opportunity 107 East Madison Street Caldwell Building, Suite 212 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-4120

Dear Director Proctor:

The Joint Legislative Auditing Committee (Committee) met on November 2, 2015, and discussed local governmental entities that have not complied with the reporting requirements set forth in Sections 218.39(1) and 218.32(1)(a), F.S. In accordance with the provisions of Sections 11.45(7)(a) and 218.32(1)(f), F.S., the Committee adopted a motion to take action pursuant to Sections 11.40(2), F.S., for certain special districts if they did not file the required financial reports by specified due dates.

Section 11.40(2), F.S., provides, in part, that, if the Committee determines one or more local governmental entities should be subjected to further state action, the Committee shall:

• In the case of a special district, notify the Department of Economic Opportunity that the special district has failed to comply with the law. Upon receipt of notification, the Department of Economic Opportunity shall proceed pursuant to the provisions specified in Section 189.062 or Section 189.067, F.S.

The Nature Coast Regional Water Authority was required to file the FY 2013-14 Annual Financial Report and the FY 2013-14 Annual Financial Audit Report (if the audit threshold was met) by March 1, 2016. Because these financial reports have not yet been filed, the Committee has determined that further state action should occur. Accordingly, the Committee requests that the Department of Economic Opportunity proceed pursuant Section 189.062 or Section 189.067(3), F.S.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at 487-4110.

Sincerely,

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cc: Representative Daniel Raulerson, Chair

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Mr. Dan Cavanah, Registered Agent for Nature Coast Regional Water Authority

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