

VIA U.S. MAIL AND E-MAIL

September 8th, 2014

Mr. James Konish  
Post Office Box 6020  
Gainesville, Florida 32627

Dear Mr. Konish:

RE: Request for Refund dated June 5, 2014, for James Konish, 625 Northeast First Street LLC, 120 Southeast 7<sup>th</sup> St. LLC, and Deborah L. Martinez GRU utility accounts

This office is in receipt of your request pursuant to §166.235, Florida Statutes, for a refund of the Municipal Public Service Tax ("City tax") collected pursuant to §166.231, Florida Statutes, for each of the GRU accounts identified in your refund request. A copy of your refund request is attached to this response for ease of reference.

Pursuant to law, the City of Gainesville imposes the City tax, a separately itemized ten percent (10%) charge on the utility bills of all GRU customers located within the corporate limits of the City of Gainesville. GRU collects the City tax on behalf of the City of Gainesville and remits the City tax to the City of Gainesville.

Pursuant to your request and §166.235, Florida Statutes, we have reviewed the accounts you identified in your refund request to determine whether the amount of City tax collected was due to the City or was collected solely as a result of GRU error. After review of the identified accounts, all such accounts are located within the municipal limits of the City of Gainesville, and all such accounts paid City tax that was due the municipality. As such, the identified accounts are not due a refund or a credit of the City tax.

If you require additional assistance or anything further, please do not hesitate to contact me via email at [firschinghf@gru.com](mailto:firschinghf@gru.com) or via telephone at (352) 393-1379.

Sincerely,



Herb Firsching  
GRU Customer Operations Director

cc: Mark Benton  
City of Gainesville Finance Director