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**Re: Mosquito Control Infrastructure and Stormwater Issues  
Legal Representation**

Dear Director Brewer:

Thank you for considering Manson Bolves Donaldson Varn, PA (MBDV) in the provision of legal services to the South Walton County Mosquito Control District (District). As discussed, this letter will serve as a proposal of the terms under which MBDV will provide legal services to the District regarding mosquito control infrastructure and stormwater issues that the District is facing.

MBDV is a Florida-based law firm with public and private clients ranging from large, multi-billion dollar interests to start ups. The firm focuses on water, environmental, administrative and governmental law as well as business, contracting and construction. MBDV offers a full range of services, from siting and permitting through mediation or litigation. We assist our clients by negotiating with state and local agencies, and navigating issues through the complex, and sometimes conflicting, governmental process. In addition, our legislative practice represents clients with local, regional and state bodies. MBDV also provides representation for clients on transactions between governments and private interests, including the negotiation and drafting of interlocal agreements. Our understanding of government provides a unique perspective for our clients. The processes, the personalities, and the policies that move or stall good projects can sometimes be a mystery to our clients. We can untangle the mysteries of those processes and help ensure fair and equitable treatment under the laws, rules, and regulations. While government is complex, a seemingly endless array of mishaps, misunderstandings, and mistakes plague the industry.

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MBDV has relationships with elected and appointed officials at the state, regional, and local levels. One of the reasons we are successful is that the MBDV team has held positions in state and regional agencies, including two former General Counsels for the Southwest Florida Water Management District and the General Counsel and Director of Office Water Policy for the Florida Department of Environmental Protection. We also have a former Secretary of the Florida Department of Environmental Regulation as well as a team member that is a former Deputy Director of Legislative Affairs at the Department of Financial Services and Senior Cabinet Aide to Florida's Chief Financial Officer.

The approach of MBDV is to always put the best resources to the issue. We work as a state and regional team to maximize our efficiency, analysis, and relationships. Since this representation includes both state and regional agencies, we are uniquely positioned to provide such services. The approach of MBDV is to always put the best resources to the issue. I would be the lead on this proposal with the remainder of our team comprising of Craig Varn and Amy Brennan.

I am Board Certified in City, County and Local Government Law and also have an AV Rating by Martindale-Hubbe. As a former legislative committee attorney, I have 20 years of experience with special districts. Immediately upon graduating law school, I worked for the Florida House of Representatives Community Affairs Committee, where I worked on special districts and local government issues. Upon leaving the Florida House of Representatives, I represented clients before legislative and executive branches of government, agencies, Cabinet, and gubernatorial commissions on local government, including special districts, growth management, and environmental issues. In addition, I have served as general and special counsel for local governments and special districts providing guidance related to government, environmental, and land use issues. Finally, I served as General Counsel for the Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD) from 2011 to 2015. In my role as General Counsel, I provided legal advice and counsel to the SWFWMD's Governing Board, the Executive Director, and staff regarding the interpretation and applicability of laws, regulations, and judicial decisions or rulings from federal, state, and administrative branches, courts, or agencies affecting the SWFWMD.

Craig Varn has over 20 years of experience representing the private sector and governments before legislative and executive branches of government, agencies, Cabinet and gubernatorial commissions on growth management, environmental and local government issues. Prior to re-joining MBDV, Craig served as General Counsel for the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (Department) where he was responsible for managing the Department's legal teams and overseeing the Department's legal actions including rule-making, enforcement, reviewing program

innovations, reviewing policy decisions for consistency with Florida Statutes. Before his 4-years with MBDV, he was the chief policy adviser to Senate President Jeff Atwater on all environmental, growth management, agriculture, and utility issues. Craig was an active participant in the drafting of growth management and environmental legislation, including the passage of Florida's most substantive legislation, Senate Bill 360. Before becoming an attorney, Craig worked as an engineer designing stormwater management facilities, drainage systems, and support structures, utilizing computer analysis and design and assisted clients in environmental permitting for stormwater management facilities. As an attorney, Craig has successfully represented a broad range of clients and understands the complexities of technical evidence like hydrogeology and engineering as well as modeling and the other disciplines needed in these matters. His specialties include environmental resource permitting, sovereign submerged land, and regulatory compliance and enforcement issues.

Amy Wells Brennan has extensive experience on legal issues related to regulation, water use and supply, and the environment. Most recently, Amy served as Deputy General Counsel for the Southwest Florida Water Management District. In her role, Amy served as lead counsel on permitting matters and complex litigation and appeals, representing the District before the Division of Administrative Hearings and in state and federal courts. She provided legal representation to the District on matters including regulation, water use and supply, land management and acquisition, human resources, sunshine law, public records, and ethics. Prior to her employment at the District, Amy held positions in private practice and at the Florida Department of Environmental Protection as a Senior Assistant General Counsel.

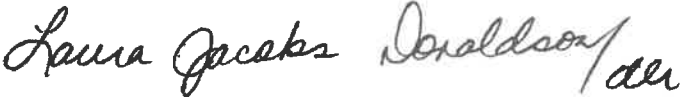
MBDV fees are based upon the ethical rules. The amount of the District's statement will be the fair value of the services provided taking into account the time spent, the type of service being asked to perform, any special level of expertise required, the size and scope of the matter, the results obtained, and other relevant considerations. MBDV proposes an hourly rate of \$250.00 for Shareholders and an hourly rate of \$200.00 for associates. The District will be provided the most effective support systems available, while at the same time allocating the costs of such systems in accordance with the usage of the services by individual clients. Therefore, in addition to fees for legal services, the District will also be charged separately for certain costs and expense disbursements, including travel expenses; messenger, courier and other communication costs; document reproduction; and computer research facilities. Billing statements will be rendered on a monthly basis and are due and payable upon receipt. Every effort will be made to include disbursements in the statement for the month in which the disbursements are incurred. Some disbursements are not available until the following month in which case a supplemental statement will be rendered for these additional charges.

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MBDV appreciates the opportunity to be of service to the District. Our goal is to provide legal services to the District on the most efficient basis possible. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

MANSON BOLVES DONALDSON VARN, P.A.



Laura Jacobs Donaldson

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ACKNOWLEDGED AND AGREED:



Dated: 7-11-18