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Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge
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P.O. Box 360
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Re: UtiliCorp United Inc. and St. Joseph Light & Power Company

EM-2000-292

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing please find an original and fourteen copies of the Joint Application of UtiliCorp United Inc. and St. Joseph Light & Power Company for authority to merge St. Joseph Light & Power Company with and into UtiliCorp United Inc. and, in connection therewith, certain other related transactions. Included with the Joint Application is the direct testimony and schedules of the following witnesses: Terry F. Steinbecker, Robert K. Green, John W. McKinney, Dan Streek, Vern J. Siemek, Stephen L. Pella, Vicki M. Heider, Richard C. Kreul, Robert W. Holzwarth, Robert B. Browning, James E. Karlin, and Jerry D. Myers.

Would you please see that this filing is brought to the attention of the appropriate Commission personnel.

I thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

BRYDON, SWEARENGEN & ENGLAND P.C.

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cc: Office of the Public Counsel

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