## GAINESVILLE ENERGY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Gainesville City Commission

June 19, 2001

RE:

Landfill Gas to Energy Project

File Number: 001477

Honorable Mayor and Commissioners:

The Gainesville Energy Advisory Committee has received four presentations over the last year from GRU staff on the proposed Landfill Gas to Energy Project.

The Committee enthusiastically supports this Green Energy project and believes it is a wise use of a renewable energy resource within our community and of the financial resources of Gainesville Regional Utilities.

We believe some of the benefits of this Green Energy project are to:

- 1. Provide a source of Green Energy to the customers of Gainesville Regional Utilities.
- 2. Provide an opportunity for renewable energy advocates to support a Green Energy project.
- 3. Produce useful work from a renewable energy resource.
- 4. Fully utilize the previous County investments in gas collection infrastructure.
- 5. Build upon the work of University of Florida Environmental Engineering researchers.
- 6. Provide a source of revenue to the City of Gainesville
- 7. Diversify the revenue stream of Gainesville Regional Utilities.
- 8. Provide a source of revenue to Alachua County.
- The money spent for purchasing the landfill gas to fuel the generators will remain within our community, which will directly benefit our citizens.
- 10. Provide an opportunity for inter-governmental cooperation.

The Gainesville Energy Advisory Committee is also willing to provide these opinions to the Alachua County Commission, if the Gainesville City Commission so desires.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Gainesville Energy Advisory Committee Chair

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