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# MEMORANDUM

TO:

Central Florida Expressway Authority Board

FROM:

David A. Shontz, Esq., Right-of-Way Counsel (

DATE:

May 26, 2015

RE:

State Road 429 Wekiva Parkway, Project 429-203; Parcel 203

Settlement

Shutts & Bowen LLP, Right-of-Way Counsel, seeks approval by the CFX Board of a negotiated settlement agreement between JDC Plants, Inc. (the "Owner") and the Central Florida Expressway Authority (the "CFX") for the acquisition of Parcel 203 (the "Taking" or "Property") for the construction of State Road 429 Wekiva Parkway, Project 429-203.

### **DESCRIPTION AND BACKGROUND**

Parcel 203 is a whole taking acquisition consisting of 9.558± acres. The property is located in unincorporated Orange County at 3366 West Kelly Park Road, Apopka, Florida. The property is improved with several building structures, including a single-family house, three (3) greenhouse structures, and metal sheds and is utilized as a plant nursery. Two greenhouse/shade buildings contain a total of 38,829 square feet.

The CFX's appraisal of the property was prepared by Walter Carpenter of Pinel & Carpenter, Inc. Mr. Carpenter estimated the value of the taking to be \$1,450,000 (Land \$1,250,000, and Improvements \$200,000). Comparable land sales of \$1.66 to \$6.48 per square foot were utilized by Mr. Carpenter. Mr. Carpenter opined the subject property value is \$3.00 per square foot or \$130,680 per acre.

JDC Plants, Inc. is represented by Jay Small who was in the process of appraising the taking on behalf of JDC Plants. In an effort for an early settlement, Mr. Small reviewed and argued that taking the mid-point of Mr. Carpenter's sales would provide a value of at least \$4.25 per square foot, or \$1,769,500. Additionally, JDC Plants would agree to not dispute the contributory value of the improvements at \$200,000. Accordingly, Mr. Small offered an early settlement in an effort to avoid incurring significant expert fees totaling \$2,140,935 (\$1,969,500 for taking and \$171,435 statutory attorney's fee) plus expert fees and costs.

In response to JDC Plant, Inc's settlement offer, CFX made a global counter-offer inclusive of all attorneys fees and costs and expert fees and costs in the amount of \$1,900,000, which was accepted by JDC Plants, Inc.

Approval of the negotiated global settlement of \$1,900,000 for Parcel 203 is requested and is in the CFX's best interest. It will eliminate risks and unnecessary expenses for expert fees, court costs and attorney's fees that the CFX will ultimately incur if it is required to litigate the valuation determination to resolve Parcel 203. The Right-of-Way Committee previously approved recommendation of the requested settlement.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

We respectfully request that the CFX Board approve the negotiated settlement agreement of \$1,900,000, inclusive of all fees and costs in full settlement of all claims for compensation for the acquisition of Parcel 203.

# **ATTACHMENTS**

Exhibit "A" – Sketch of Subject Property

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ORLANDO-ORANGE COUNTY EXPRESSWAY AUTHORITY WEKIVA PARKWAY - PROJECT NO. 429-203 LIMITED ACCESS RIGHT OF WAY

ESTATE: FEE SIMPLE

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

### PART A

A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED IN THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 13, TOWNSHIP 20 SOUTH, RANGE 27 EAST, ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCE AT A FOUND 5/8" IRON ROD WITH NO IDENTIFICATION LOCATED IN A WELL BOX MARKING THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 13, TOWNSHIP 20 SOUTH, RANGE 27 EAST, ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE NORTH 88°20'47" EAST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID NORTHEAST QUARTER, A DISTANCE OF 679.45 FEET TO ITS INTERSECTION WITH THE WEST LINE OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID NORTHEAST QUARTER AS MONUMENTED AND OCCUPIED: THENCE DEPARTING SAID NORTH LINE RUN SOUTH 00°20'58" EAST ALONG SAID WEST LINE, A DISTANCE OF 102.98 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE DEPARTING SAID WEST LINE RUN NORTH 87°44'58" EAST, A DISTANCE OF 633.98 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 02°15'02" EAST, A DISTANCE OF 209.57 FEET TO THE POINT OF CURVATURE OF A CURVE CONCAVE WESTERLY, HAVING A RADIUS OF 839.24 FEET, A CHORD DISTANCE OF 344.01 FEET AND A CHORD BEARING OF SOUTH 09°34'35"WEST; THENCE RUN SOUTHERLY ALONG THE ARC OF SAID CURVE THROUGH A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 23°39'13", A DISTANCE OF 346.47 FEET; THENCE DEPARTING SAID CURVE RUN SOUTH 88°20'47"WEST, A DISTANCE OF 581.44 FEET TO THE AFORESAID WEST LINE OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID NORTHEAST QUARTER; THENCE NORTH 00°20'58"WEST ALONG SAID WEST LINE, A DISTANCE OF 540.52 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

CONTAINING 7.845 ACRES, MORE OR LESS

TOGETHER WITH ALL RIGHTS OF INGRESS, EGRESS, LIGHT, AIR AND VIEW TO, FROM OR ACROSS ANY STATE ROAD 429 AND KELLY PARK ROAD RIGHT OF WAY PROPERTY WHICH MAY OTHERWISE ACCRUE TO ANY PROPERTY ADJOINING SAID RIGHT OF WAY.

### NOTE:

THIS SKETCH OF DESCRIPTION WAS PREPARED WITH THE BENEFIT OF CERTIFICATE OF TITLE INFORMATION PREPARED BY FIRST AMERICAN TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY AS TO FILE NO. 2037-2770437 DATED 07/02/2012.

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C8	- CHORD BEARING					(R)	= RADIAL
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CH	- CHORD LENGTH	LR.	≖ IRON ROD	P.O.B.	= POINT OF BEGINNING	TITE	- TRUSTEES OF THE INTERNAL
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FND.	= FOUND	Q.R.B.	■ OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK	R.B.M.	= ROAD BOND MAP	٥	= CHANGE IN DIRECTION
FPC	# FLORIDA POWER CORPORATION	P.C.	■ FOINT OF CURVATURE	RT	- RIGHT	<del>-///-</del>	= LIMITED ACCESS R/W LINE
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ORLANDO-ORANGE COUNTY EXPRESSWAY AUTHORITY WEKIVA PARKWAY - PROJECT NO. 429-203

RIGHT OF WAY ESTATE: FEE SIMPLE

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PARCEL 203

SCALE: N/A

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BEARING STRUCTURE BASED ON THE NORTH LINE OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SEC. 13-20-27, BEING N88°20'47"E, FLORIDA STATE PLANE COORDINATE SYSTEM, EAST ZONE, 1983/2007 ADJUSTMENT. SCALE: 1" = 200'200 100 EXIST. SOUTH R/W LINE PER-R.B.M. PROJECT NO. 49-E **KELLY PARK** ROAD NORTH LINE, NE 1/4, SEC. NW COR., NE 1/4, NW 1/4, NE 1/4, SEC. 13 EXIST. SOUTH R/W LINE PER P.B."X", PG.143 EXIST. SOUTH R/W LINE PER 30' I D.B. - 30' D.B.398, PG.158 679,451 N88°20'47"E T N87°44'58"E 633.98'(C) S00°20'58"E 80.05'(C) — P.O.C. **BAY RIDGE HEIGHTS** NW COR., NE 1/4, P.O.B. P.B."X", PG.143 SEC. 13 FND. 5/8" I.R., NO ID. IN WELL BOX C.C.R. NO. 47869 PART A S02°15'02"E WEST LINE, 209.57'(C) 15' FPC NE 1/4, NW 1/4, NE 1/4, SEC. 13 UTILITY ESMT PER O.R.B.2804, PART A AS MONUMENTED 7.845 PG.1631 400°20'58"W 540,52'(C) **ACRES±** =======  $\mathcal{C}$ EAST LINE, NE 1/4, NW 1/4, NE 1/4, SEC. 13 8' FPC -UTILITY ESMT PER O.R.B.2804, AS MONUMENTED PG.1631 **CURVE C1** S88°20'47"W 581.44'(C) CORVE C1 Δ= 23°39'13"(RT) L= 346.47'(C) R= 839.24'(C) CH= 344.01'(C) CB= 509°34'35"W PART B L.A. -SEE R/W LINE SHEET 4  $L1 = S00^{\circ}20'58"E \quad 22.93'(C)$ SECTION 13, TOWNSHIP 20 SOUTH, RANGE 27 EAST PROJECT NO. 429-203 NOVEMBER 18, 2013 SKETCH OF DESCRIPTION. PARCEL DRAWN BY M.ROLLINS THIS IS NOT A BOUNDARY SURVEY. CHECKED BY S.WARE 203 BSA PROJECT NO EA11-J1 BOWYER S.R. 429 (WEKIVA PARKWAY) SHÍGLETÓN **ORLANDO-ORANGE COUNTY** SCALE: 1"=200' **EXPRESSWAY AUTHORITY** 

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