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TO: DIRECTOR, DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING (BAYO)

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DIVISION OF RESEARCH & REGULATORY REVIEW (HEWITT) *QSA* *PA*

RE: DOCKET NO. 980409-EG - PROPOSED REPEAL OF RULES 25-7.001 AUTHORIZATION OF RULES; 25-7.002 APPLICATION AND SCOPE; 25-7.004 REFERENCE TO COMMISSION; 25-7.016 SYSTEM MAPS AND RECORDS; 25-7.017 OPERATING RECORDS; 25-7.034 DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF PLANT; 25-7.035 INSPECTION OF PLANT; 25-7.036 EXTENT OF SYSTEM WHICH UTILITY SHALL MAINTAIN; 25-7.051 GAS SHUT-OFF VALVES; 25-7.052 ODORIZATION; 25-7.055 LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM FACILITIES; 25-12.001 AUTHORIZATION; 25-12.002 APPLICATION; 25-12.003 SCOPE; 25-12.006 COMMISSION INTERPRETATION OF RULES; 25-12.010 EMPLOYEE EDUCATION; 25-12.023 LIMITATIONS ON UNDERGROUND THREADED JOINTS; 25-12.025 LIMITATIONS ON MATERIALS USED; 25-12.026 SERVICE REGULATOR REQUIREMENTS; 25-12.039 OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE PLANS; 25-12.048 INSPECTION OF VAULTS; 25-12.051 CORROSION REQUIREMENTS FOR STEEL TUBING; 25-12.064 MATERIALS; 25-12.065 CONSTRUCTION RECORDS; 25-12.066 TESTING RECORDS; 25-12.067 OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE RECORDS.

AGENDA: APRIL 28, 1998- REGULAR AGENDA - RULE PROPOSAL - INTERESTED PERSONS MAY PARTICIPATE

RULE STATUS: PROPOSAL MAY BE DEFERRED

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DISCUSSION OF ISSUES

ISSUE 1: Should the Commission repeal Rules 25-7.001, 25-7.002, 25-7.004, 25-7.016, 25-7.017, 25-7.034, 25-7.035, 25-7.036, 25-7.051, 25-7.052, 25-7.055, 25-12.001, 25-12.002, 25-12.003, 25-12.006, 25-12.010, 25-12.023, 25-12.025, 25-12.026, 25-12.039, 25-12.048, 25-12.051, 25-12.064, 25-12.065, 25-12.066, and 25-12.067?

RECOMMENDATION: Yes.

STAFF ANALYSIS: Staff recommends the Commission repeal the following rules that have been identified as unnecessary, duplicative, or obsolete:

25-7.001 Authorization of Rules. Reiterates subsection 366.05(1), Florida Statutes, giving the Commission power to establish rules.

25-7.002 Application and Scope. Clarifies the extent of jurisdiction. Reiterates subsection 366.05(1), Florida Statutes.

25-7.004 Reference to Commission. States that parties may petition the Commission. Provides that an interested party may petition the Commission to adjudicate a dispute involving the interpretation of the rules. Section 120.565, F.S., and Rule 25-22.021, F.A.C. (or the uniform rule which will take its place) provides the same relief.

25-7.016 System Maps and Records. Requires maps of gas distribution systems. This subject is adequately covered by the gas safety rule, 25-12.061.

25-7.017 Operating Records. Requires each gas utility to keep records, including records of information about purchased gas, gas sent out, average heating value of gas, and pressures of gas sent. This requirement is adequately covered by the gas safety rule, 25-12.067, Operation and Maintenance Records.

25-7.034 Design and Construction of Plant. Sets required design standards for gas facilities. This subject is adequately covered by the Commission's gas safety rules in Chapter 25-12, F.A.C., and Code of Federal Regulations, Part 192, Subparts C, D & G.

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25-7.035 Inspection of Plant. Requires gas facilities inspection. This requirement is adequately covered by Rule 25-12.030, F.A.C., Construction Inspection.

25-7.036 Extent of System Which Utility Shall Maintain. Describes the extent of gas distribution systems that must be maintained by a gas utility. This requirement is adequately covered by Chapter 368.03, F.S.

25-7.051 Gas Shut-off Valves. Requires a valve upstream of each gas meter. This requirement is covered by Rule 25-12.022, F.A.C., Requirements for Distribution System Valves.

25-7.052 Odorization. Requires gas to be odorized for safety. This requirement is covered by Rule 25-12.055, F.A.C., Odorization of Gas.

25-7.055 Liquefied Petroleum Gas Facilities. Sets standards for liquefied petroleum facilities that are integrated into gas distribution systems. The Commission has no jurisdiction over liquefied petroleum gas.

25-12.001 Authorization. States authority for adopting rules. This information is unnecessary as the text of each individual rule must be followed by a citation to its statutory authority.

25-12.002 Application. Clarifies the Commission's safety jurisdiction. Applicability and jurisdiction is covered in section 368.05, F.S.

25-12.003 Scope. Defines the facilities and type of work covered by the gas safety rules. Applicability of rules and Commission jurisdiction is covered in section 368.05, F.S.

25-12.006 Commission Interpretation of Rules. Provides that an interested party may petition the Commission to adjudicate a dispute involving the interpretation of the rules. Section 120.565, F.S., and Rule 25-22.021, F.A.C., (or the uniform rule which will take its place) provides the same relief.

25-12.010 Employee Education. Requires safety training programs for employees of gas utilities. Covered in the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 192, Subpart L. The program is already well-established with the gas operators.

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25-12.023 Limitations on Underground Threaded Joints. Does not allow the "jacking" of threaded pipe joints. Threaded pipe is not being installed for gas distribution piping.

25-12.025 Limitations on Materials Used. Provides for the qualification for use of materials not conforming to existing adopted standards. This rule has never been used. The economic liability of using non-standard materials prevents operators from using these materials.

25-12.026 Service Regulator Requirements. Requires additional pressure relief devices with service regulators. This requirement is covered in the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 192, Subpart 192.199.

25-12.039 Operating and Maintenance Plans. Requires each operator to have comprehensive written operating and maintenance plans and to file copies with the Commission Staff. Covered in the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 192, Subpart 192.605. Each Commission gas safety engineer is given a copy by each utility for safety evaluation purposes. File copies are not needed in Tallahassee.

25-12.048 Inspection of Vaults. Requires the inspection of vaults housing gas pressure limiting equipment. This requirement is covered in the Code of Federal Regulations Part 192, Subpart 192.613.

25-12.051 Corrosion Requirements for Steel Tubing. Requires cathodic protection of steel tubing prior to placing it into gas service. Very little steel tubing is now used by gas operators. Code of Federal Regulations, Part 192, Subpart 192.455, requires protection within one year.

25-12.064 Materials. Requires specific records to be kept. This is covered in part by the Code of Federal Regulations and completely by Commission Rule 25-12.060, F.A.C.. Gas operators are now keeping such records.

25-12.065 Construction Records. Requires specific records to be kept. Covered in part by the Code of Federal Regulations and completely by Commission Rule 25-12.060, F.A.C. Gas operators are now keeping such records.

25-12.066 Testing Records. Requires specific records to be kept. Covered in part by the Code of Federal Regulations and completely by Commission Rule 25-12.060, F.A.C. Gas operators are now keeping such records.

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25-12.067 Operation and Maintenance Records. Requires specific records to be kept. Covered in part by the Code of Federal Regulations and completely by Commission Rule 25-12.060, F.A.C. Gas operators are now keeping such records.

Statement of Estimated Regulatory Costs

Because no additional regulatory burdens are placed on gas utilities through the repeal of these rules, there should be no increase in regulatory costs. A memorandum regarding a Statement of Estimated Regulatory Costs is attached.

ISSUE 2: If no requests for hearing or comments are filed, should the rule amendments as proposed be filed for adoption with the Secretary of State and the docket be closed?

RECOMMENDATION: Yes.

STAFF ANALYSIS: Unless comments or requests for hearing are filed, the rules as proposed may be filed with the Secretary of State without further Commission action. The docket may then be closed.

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Attachments:

Rules

Memorandum regarding Statement of Estimated
Regulatory Costs

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2 25-7.001 Authorization of Rules. ~~The statutory power~~
3 ~~granted to the Florida Public Service Commission to establish~~
4 ~~rules and fix standards for gas utility services is contained in~~
5 ~~Subsection (1) of Section 366.05, Florida Statutes, which states~~
6 ~~as follows:~~

7 ~~"In the exercise of such jurisdiction, the Commission~~
8 ~~shall have power to prescribe fair and reasonable rates and~~
9 ~~charges, classifications, standards of quality and measurements,~~
10 ~~and service rules and regulations to be observed by each public~~
11 ~~utility; to prescribe uniform system and classification of~~
12 ~~accounts for all public utilities which among other things shall~~
13 ~~set up adequate, fair, and reasonable depreciation rates and~~
14 ~~charges; to require the filing by each public utility of periodic~~
15 ~~reports and all other reasonably necessary data; to require~~
16 ~~repairs, improvements, additions, and extensions to the plant and~~
17 ~~equipment of any public utility reasonably necessary to promote~~
18 ~~the convenience and welfare of the public and secure adequate~~
19 ~~service or facilities for those reasonably entitled thereto; to~~
20 ~~employ and fix the compensation for such examiners, and~~
21 ~~technical, legal and clerical employees as it deems necessary to~~
22 ~~carry out the provisions of this Chapter; to prescribe all rules~~
23 ~~and regulations reasonably necessary and appropriate for the~~
24 ~~administration and enforcement of this Chapter, and to exercise~~
25 ~~all judicial powers, issue all writs and do all things necessary~~

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2 ~~or convenient to the full and complete exercise of its~~
3 ~~jurisdiction and the enforcement of its orders and requirements.~~"

4 Specific Authority: 365.05, F.S.

5 Law Implemented: 366.05, F.S.

6 History: Repromulgated 1/8/75, 5/4/75, formerly 25-7.01₁

7 Repealed.

8 25-7.002 Application and Scope.

9 ~~(1) These rules and regulations shall apply to all~~
10 ~~gas public utilities operating under the jurisdiction of the~~
11 ~~Florida Public Service Commission. They are intended to define~~
12 ~~good practice which can normally be expected, and to promote safe~~
13 ~~and adequate service at reasonable cost to the public. The rules~~
14 ~~also are intended to provide a basis for determining the~~
15 ~~reasonableness of such demands as may be made by the public upon~~
16 ~~the utilities.~~

17 ~~(2) In any case where compliance with any of these~~
18 ~~rules introduces unusual hardship, or if unreasonable difficulty~~
19 ~~is involved in immediate compliance with any particular rule,~~
20 ~~application may be made to the Commission for modification of the~~
21 ~~rule or for temporary exemption from its requirements. If in~~
22 ~~such case compliance with the rule would cost more than the~~
23 ~~results of such compliance are worth to the public and gas~~
24 ~~consumers, it may be vacated by the Commission.~~

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~~(3) No derivation from these rules shall be permitted unless authorized in writing by the Commission.~~

~~(4) The adoption of these rules shall in no way preclude the Commission, upon complaint, upon its own motion or upon the application of any utility, from altering or amending them, in whole or in part, or from requiring any other additional service, equipment, facility, or standard, or from making such modifications with respect to their application as may be found necessary to meet exceptional conditions.~~

~~(5) The adoption of these rules shall not in any way relieve any utility from any of its duties under the laws of this State.~~

Specific Authority: 366.05(1), F.S.

Law Implemented: 366.03, F.S.

History: Repromulgated 1/6/75, 5/4/75, formerly 25-7.02.

Repealed.

~~25-7.004 Reference to Commission. In the event of any dispute involving the interpretation of any of these rules and regulations, any party in interest may refer the matter to the Commission for adjudication.~~

Specific Authority: 366.05, F.S.

Law Implemented: 366.05(1), F.S.

History: Repromulgated 1/8/75, 5/4/75, formerly 25-7.04.

Repealed.

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2 25-7.016 System Maps and Records.

3 (1) ~~Each utility shall maintain and, upon request,~~
4 ~~provide to the Commission an adequate description or maps to~~
5 ~~define the territory which it holds itself in readiness to serve.~~

6 ~~(2) Each utility shall keep suitable maps or records~~
7 ~~to show size, location, character, date of installation and~~
8 ~~installed cost of major items of plant.~~

9 Specific Authority: 366.05, F.S.

10 Law Implemented: 366.05(1), F.S.

11 History: Repromulgated 1/8/75, 5/4/75, formerly 25-7.16₁

12 Repealed.

13 25-7.017 Operating Records. ~~As required by the~~

14 ~~Commission each utility shall keep appropriate operating records~~
15 ~~for use in statistical and analytical studies for regulatory~~
16 ~~purposes. Such records shall include data relative to gas~~
17 ~~manufactured, produced, or purchased; amount of gas sent out;~~
18 ~~amount of coal, oil,~~
19 ~~and gas used; average heating value of gas; pressures of gas sent~~
20 ~~into system; labor charges, etc.; and such other details of plant~~
21 ~~operation as may be necessary substantially to reproduce its~~
22 ~~operations.~~

23 Specific Authority: 366.06, F.S.

24 Law Implemented: 366.05(1), 366.06, F.S.

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2 History: Amended 10/20/73, Repromulgated 1/8/75, 5/4/75,
3 formerly 25-7.17, Repealed.

4 25-7.034 Design and Construction of Plant. ~~The plant~~
5 ~~and facilities of the utility shall be designed, constructed,~~
6 ~~installed, maintained, and operated in accordance with accepted~~
7 ~~good practice to insure as far as reasonably possible continuity~~
8 ~~of service, uniformity in the quality of service furnished, and~~
9 ~~the safety of persons and property.~~

10 Specific Authority: 366.05, F.S.

11 Law Implemented: 366.05(1), F.S.

12 History: Repromulgated 1/8/75, 5/4/75, formerly 25-7.34,
13 Repealed.

14 25-7.035 Inspection of Plant. ~~Each utility shall~~
15 ~~inspect its plant and facilities in such manner and with such~~
16 ~~frequency as may be necessary to insure a reasonably complete~~
17 ~~knowledge as to their condition and adequacy at all times.~~

18 Specific Authority: 366.05, F.S.

19 Law Implemented: 366.05(1), F.S.

20 History: Repromulgated 1/8/75, 5/4/75, formerly 25-7.35,
21 Repealed.

22 25-7.036 Extent of System Which Utility Shall
23 Maintain. ~~Each gas utility, unless specifically relieved in any~~
24 ~~case by the Commission from such obligation, shall operate and~~
25 ~~maintain in safe, efficient, and proper condition all of the~~

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2 ~~facilities and equipment used in connection with the~~
3 ~~distribution, regulation, measurement, and delivery of gas to any~~
4 ~~customer up to and including the point of delivery into the~~
5 ~~pipng owned by the consumer.~~

6 Specific Authority: 366.05, F.S.

7 Law Implemented: 366.05(1), F.S.

8 History: Repromulgated 1/8/75, 5/4/75, formerly 25-7.36₄

9 Repealed.

10 25-7.051 Gas Shut-Off Valves.

11 ~~(1) Each gas service line shall include a suitable~~
12 ~~shut off valve in a readily accessible location that, if~~
13 ~~feasible, is outside of the structure served.~~

14 ~~(2) Each shut off valve shall be installed upstream~~
15 ~~of the regulator or, if there is no regulator, upstream of the~~
16 ~~meter.~~

17 Specific Authority: 366.05(1), F.S.

18 Law Implemented: 366.05(1), F.S.

19 History: Amended 10/20/73, Repromulgated 1/8/75, 5/4/75,
20 formerly 25-7.51, Repealed.

21 25-7.052 Odorization.

22 ~~(1) All gas supplied by utilities to customers shall~~
23 ~~possess in its natural state or be so treated as to possess a~~
24 ~~distinctive and readily detectable odor to act as an indication~~
25 ~~of its presence before delivery to the customer. In addition,~~

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2 ~~all liquefied hydrocarbon gas shall be so odorized before or at~~
3 ~~the time it is placed in the storage vessel at the utility's~~
4 ~~plant or station.~~

5 ~~(2) Upon request the company shall report the kind~~
6 ~~and method of odorization.~~

7 Specific Authority: 366.05(1), F.S.

8 Law Implemented: 366.05(1), F.S.

9 History: Amended 10/20/73, Repromulgated 1/8/75, 5/4/75,
10 formerly 25-7.52, Repealed.

11 25-7.055 Liquefied Petroleum Gas Facilities. ~~In those~~
12 ~~utilities having liquefied petroleum gas installations wherein~~
13 ~~such gases are stored and used in conjunction with utility~~
14 ~~production, operation, and maintenance of such facilities shall~~
15 ~~conform to the standards as set forth in Rule 25-12.05.~~

16 Specific Authority: 366.05(1), F.S.

17 Law Implemented: 366.05(1), F.S.

18 History: Repromulgated 1/8/75, 5/4/75, Amended 5/27/82, formerly
19 25-7.55, Repealed.

20 25-12.001 Authorization.

21 ~~The statutory power granted to the Florida Public~~
22 ~~Service Commission to establish rules and standards for safe~~
23 ~~design, installation, operation and maintenance of gas systems is~~
24 ~~contained in Section 368.05, Florida Statutes.~~

25 Specific Authority: 368.05(2), F.S.

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2 Law Implemented: 368.05(2), F.S.

3 History: New 6/20/67, Amended 3/7/70, 11/14/70, Repromulgated
4 10/7/75, formerly 25-12.01, Repealed.

5 25-12.002 Application.

6 ~~(1) These rules and regulations shall apply to~~
7 ~~pipeline facilities and the transportation of gas within the~~
8 ~~State of Florida as defined herein.~~

9 ~~(2) The adoption of these rules shall in no way~~
10 ~~relieve any operator from any duties under the laws of this~~
11 ~~State.~~

12 ~~(3) No deviation from these rules shall be permitted~~
13 ~~unless authorized in writing by the Commission. In cases where~~
14 ~~compliance with these rules introduces unusual hardship, or if~~
15 ~~unreasonable difficulty is involved in immediate compliance with~~
16 ~~any particular rule, petition may be made to the Commission for~~
17 ~~consideration.~~

18 ~~(4) It is not intended that these rules be applied~~
19 ~~retroactively to existing installations insofar as design,~~
20 ~~fabrication, installation, and testing are concerned. However~~
21 ~~the provisions of these rules shall be applicable to the~~
22 ~~operation, maintenance and uprating of existing installations.~~

23 ~~(5) The adoption of these rules shall in no way~~
24 ~~preclude the Commission, upon complaint, upon its own motion or~~
25 ~~upon the petition of any operator from altering or amending them,~~

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2 ~~in whole or in part, or from requiring additional reports as may~~
3 ~~be deemed necessary, or from making such modifications with~~
4 ~~respect to their petitions as may be found necessary to meet new~~
5 ~~or exceptional conditions.~~

6 ~~(6) Nothing in these rules shall be construed to~~
7 ~~make the operator liable for the condition or maintenance of~~
8 ~~pipng and appliances beyond the outlet of the operator's meter~~
9 ~~other than ascertaining that required tests have been made, nor~~
10 ~~shall the operator be held liable for any continuing duty of~~
11 ~~inspection of such piping or appliances.~~

12 Specific Authority: 368.05(2), F.S.

13 Law Implemented: 368.03, F.S.

14 History: New, 6/24/67, Amended 3/7/70, 11/14/70, Repromulgated
15 10/7/75, Amended 10/2/84, formerly 25-12.02, Repealed _____.

16 25-12.003 Scope.

17 ~~(1) These rules cover the design, fabrication,~~
18 ~~installation, inspection, testing, conditions of use, and safety~~
19 ~~standards for installation, operation and maintenance of gas~~
20 ~~pipelines, meaning all parts of those physical facilities through~~
21 ~~which gas is moved in transportation and including appurtenances~~
22 ~~thereto, up to the outlet of the operator's meter.~~

23 ~~(2) These rules are concerned with the use of~~
24 ~~liquefied petreleum gases only to the extent that they are used~~
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~~and stored on the operator's property for use as stand by or peak shaving in connection with its gas facilities.~~

Specific Authority: 368.05(2), F.S.

Law Implemented: 368.03, F.S.

History: New 6/24/67, Amended 3/7/70, 11/14/70, 9/21/74,

Repromulgated 10/7/75, Amended 10/2/84, formerly 25-12.03.

Repealed.

25-12.006 Commission Interpretation of Rules.

~~In the event of any dispute involving the interpretation of any of these rules or adopted standards or codes, any party in interest may petition the Commission for adjudication.~~

Specific Authority: 368.05(2), F.S.

Law Implemented: 368.03, F.S.

History: New 11/14/70, Repromulgated 10/7/75, Amended 10/2/84,

formerly 25-12.06, Repealed.

25-12.010 Employee Education.

~~Each operator shall maintain an active training program for the purpose of educating each employee relative to procedures, plans and specifications required by these rules and adopted codes or standards as they affect the employee's specific duties and responsibilities.~~

Specific Authority: 368.05(2), F.S.

Law Implemented: 368.05(2), F.S.

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2 History: New 11/14/70, Amended 9/21/74, Repromulgated 10/7/75,
3 formerly, 25-12.10, Repealed.

4 25-12.023 Limitations on Underground Threaded Joints.

5 ~~When threaded joints are used to connect portions of a~~
6 ~~pipeline and such joints are to be buried,~~

7 ~~(1) "Jacking" or similar operations which impose~~
8 ~~abnormal stresses on the threaded joint are prohibited.~~

9 ~~(2) All joints must be externally coated with a~~
10 ~~material suitable for corrosion control prior to burial.~~

11 Specific Authority: 368.05(2), F.S.

12 Law Implemented: 368.05(2), F.S.

13 History: New 9/21/74, Repromulgated 10/7/75, formerly 25-12.23,
14 Repealed.

15 25-12.025 Limitations on Materials Used.

16 ~~Pressure containing components which do not conform to~~
17 ~~standards or specifications adopted by these rules may be~~
18 ~~qualified by petitioning the Commission for approval. Such~~
19 ~~petition must, if possible, identify the material with a~~
20 ~~comparable material, and it must be shown that the material will~~
21 ~~comply with specifications of the compared material except as~~
22 ~~noted. Complete information as to the chemical composition and~~
23 ~~physical properties shall be supplied to the Commission and the~~
24 ~~Commission's approval must be obtained prior to use.~~

25 Specific Authority: 368.04(2), F.S.

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Law Implemented: 368.05(2), F.S.

History: New 9/21/74, Repromulgated 10/7/75, formerly 25-12.25₁

Repealed.

25-12.026 Service Regulator Requirements.

~~Any regulating device used as a service regulator must be used in conjunction with a relief valve or other over pressure protection equipment. Any relieving device must be vented to the outside atmosphere with the relief valve set to open to prevent the pressure of gas going to the customer from exceeding a maximum safe value. A relief valve may either be built into the regulator or it may be a separate unit installed downstream.~~

Specific Authority: 368.05(2), F.S.

Law Implemented: 368.03, F.S.

History: New 9/21/74, Repromulgated 10/7/75, formerly 25-12.26₁

Repealed.

25-12.039 Operating and Maintenance Plans.

~~(1) Each operator must have on file with this Commission a comprehensive plan for the operation and maintenance of each pipeline facility transporting gas under the operator's control. All work performed must conform with this plan.~~

~~(2) The plan shall be reviewed, kept up to date and revised as changes are made in operating and maintenance requirements for the pipeline facility. Such revisions are required to be filed with the Commission within 30 days.~~

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2 Specific Authority: 368.05(2), F.S.

3 Law Implemented: 368.05(2), F.S.

4 History: New 11/14/70, Amended 9/21/74, Repromulgated 10/7/75,
5 Amended 10/2/84, formerly 25-12.81, formerly 25-12.39, Repealed

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7 25-12.048 Inspection of Vaults.

8 ~~Each vault housing a pressure limiting, pressure relief~~
9 ~~or pressure regulating station shall be inspected at intervals~~
10 ~~not exceeding fifteen (15) months, but at least each calendar~~
11 ~~year, to determine that:~~

12 ~~(1) It is structurally sound and that there is no~~
13 ~~bearing upon the pipeline facilities.~~

14 ~~(2) The cover presents no hazard to the public or~~
15 ~~the equipment in the vault.~~

16 ~~(3) Pipeline facilities in the vault are adequately~~
17 ~~protected from external corrosion.~~

18 ~~(4) Venting and/or ventilating equipment, if~~
19 ~~required, is in proper operating condition.~~

20 Specific Authority: 368.05(2), F.S.

21 Law Implemented: 368.05(2), F.S.

22 History: New 9/21/74, Repromulgated 10/7/75, Amended 10/2/84,
23 formerly 25-12.48, Repealed.

24 25-12.051 Corrosion Requirements for Steel Tubing.
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~~Cathodic protection to at least the degree required in Subpart I, Part 192, Title 49, CFR, and these rules, must be applied to buried steel tubing used as a pipeline prior to placing it into operation.~~

Specific Authority: 368.05(2), F.S.

Law Implemented: 368.05(2), F.S.

History: New 9/21/74, Repromulgated 10/7/75, Amended 10/2/84, formerly 25-12.51, Repealed.

25-12.064 Materials.

~~Records shall be kept sufficient to prove that all materials and components used or intended to be used in the gas pipeline meet the applicable specifications listed in these rules or adopted standards.~~

Specific Authority: 368.05(2), F.S.

Law Implemented: 368.05(2), F.S.

History: New 6/24/67, Amended 11/15/70, 9/21/74, Repromulgated 10/7/75, formerly 25-12.64, Repealed.

25-12.065 Construction Records.

~~Records of any construction or replacement of pipelines shall be maintained sufficient to show the nature of the work done, its actual location, the date of installation and the date cathodic protection was applied.~~

Specific Authority: 368.05(2), F.S.

Law Implemented: 368.05(2), F.S.

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2 History: New 6/24/67, Amended 11/14/70, 9/21/74, Repromulgated
3 10/7/75, Amended 10/2/84, formerly 25-12.65, Repealed_____.

4 25-12.066 Testing Records.

5 ~~A record shall be made of all strength or leak tests~~
6 ~~required by these rules and adopted codes and standards. The~~
7 ~~test records for the operator's facilities shall include the~~
8 ~~location of the pipeline, length, diameter, type facility,~~
9 ~~pressure sustained, duration of test and date of test.~~

10 Specific Authority: 368.05(2), F.S.

11 Law Implemented: 368.05(2), F.S.

12 History: New 6/24/67, Amended 11/14/70, 9/21/74, Repromulgated
13 10/7/75, Amended 10/2/84, formerly 25-12.66, Repealed_____.

14 25-12.067 Operation and Maintenance Records.

15 ~~Records sufficient to show compliance with the~~
16 ~~applicable operation and maintenance requirements of these rules~~
17 ~~or adopted standards shall be established and maintained. Records~~
18 ~~shall allow easy identification of each device or facility and~~
19 ~~its location, show work performed and date the work was~~
20 ~~performed.~~

21 Specific Authority: 368.05(2), F.S.

22 Law Implemented: 368.05(2), F.S.

23 History: New 6/24/67, Amended 11/14/70, 9/21/74, Repromulgated
24 10/7/75, Amended 10/2/84, formerly 25-12.67, Repealed_____.

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TO: DIVISION OF APPEALS (MOORE)
FROM: DIVISION OF RESEARCH AND REGULATORY REVIEW (HEWITT) *CBH PD DM*
SUBJECT: STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS FOR PROPOSED REVISIONS TO RULE 25-7, F.A.C., RELATING TO GAS UTILITIES

Currently, Rule Section 25-7, F.A.C., Relating To Gas Utilities, contains requirements for monitoring records and safety requirements for regulated natural gas utilities. These rules are redundant of other Commission rules, the authorizing statutes, or are unnecessary.

The proposed rule language revision would repeal the referenced rules and achieve mandatory streamlining of Commission rules. Because no additional regulatory burdens would be placed on gas utilities, there should be no increase in regulatory costs from the proposed rule revision.

Florida Statutes encourage an agency to prepare a Statement of Estimated Regulatory Costs (SERC) and requires one if a lower cost regulatory alternative (LCRA) is submitted. Since no significant additional costs or adverse impacts have been identified and no other LCRA would accomplish the streamlining, there is no need for preparation of a SERC for the proposed rule changes.

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