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FROM: Mary Anne Helton, Senior Attorney, Division of Appeals

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Item No. 4 on 5/4/99 Agenda - Docket No. 990409-EM -RE: Petition by Osceola County to Initiate Rulemaking to amend Rule 25-9.0525, F.A.C., Municipal Surcharge on Customers

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Staff concurs with Osceola County's request. Item No. 4 should be deferred until the Commission's June 15, 1999, agenda conference so that Osceola County, OUC, and St. Cloud can continue their negotiations.

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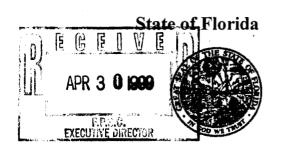
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