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CERTIFICATION OF FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
ADMINISTRATIVE RULES FILED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE

I hereby certify:

(1) That all statutory rulemaking requirements of Chapter 120, F.S., and all rulemaking requirements of the Department of State have been complied with; and

(2) That there is no administrative determination under Section 120.56(2), F.S., pending on any rule covered by this certification; and

(3) All rules covered by this certification are filed within the prescribed time limitations of Section 120.54(3)(e), F.S. They are filed not less than 28 days after the notice required by Section 120.54(3)(a), F.S.; and

(a) Are filed not more than 90 days after the notice; or

(b) Are filed more than 90 days after the notice, but not more than 60 days after the administrative law judge files the final order with the clerk or until 60 days after subsequent judicial review is complete; or

(c) Are filed more than 90 days after the notice, but not less than 21 days nor more than 45 days from the date of publication of the notice of change; or

(d) Are filed more than 90 days after the notice, but not less than 14 nor more than 45 days after the adjournment of the final public hearing on the rule; or

(e) Are filed more than 90 days after the notice, but within 21 days after the date of receipt of all material authorized to be submitted at the hearing; or

(f) Are filed more than 90 days after the notice, but within 21 days after the date the transcript was received by this agency; or

(g) Are filed not more than 90 days after the notice, not including days the adoption of the rule was postponed following notification from the Joint Administrative Procedures Committee that an objection to the rule was being considered; or

(h) Are filed more than 90 days after the notice, but within 21 days after a good faith written proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative to a proposed rule is submitted which substantially accomplishes the objectives of the law being implemented; or

(i) Are filed more than 90 days after the notice, but within 21 days after a regulatory alternative is offered by the Small Business Regulatory Advisory Committee.

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Attached are the original and two copies of each rule covered by this certification. The rules are hereby adopted by the undersigned agency by and upon their filing with the Department of State.

Rule Nos.

25-10.026

25-10.111

Under the provision of Section 120.54(3)(e)6., F.S., the rules take effect 20 days from the date filed with the Department of State or a later date as set out below:

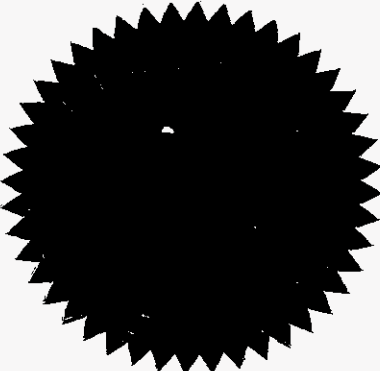
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Signature, Person Authorized to Certify Rules

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1 25-10.026 Location and Preservation of Records.

2 ~~(1) All records that a utility is required to keep, by reason of these or other rules prescribed by the~~
3 ~~Commission, shall be kept at the office or offices of the utility within this State, unless otherwise authorized by~~
4 ~~the Commission. Such records shall be open for inspection by authorized representatives of the Commission at~~
5 ~~any and all reasonable hours.~~

6 ~~(2) All records shall be preserved in accordance with the NARUC "Regulations to Govern the~~
7 ~~Preservation of Records of Electric, Gas and Water Utilities."~~
8 ~~Specific Authority 367.121 FS. Law Implemented 367.121(9) FS. History—Amended 9-12-74, Formerly 25-~~
9 ~~10.26, Repealed _____.~~

10 25-10.111 Customer Billing.

11 ~~(1) Bills shall be rendered at regular intervals and shall show at least the billing period covered;~~
12 ~~identification of the applicable rate schedule; the amount of the bill and, as applicable, gross and/or net billing,~~
13 ~~and/or discount or penalty, and final discount or penalty date. When there is good reason for doing so, estimated~~
14 ~~bills may be submitted. If bill is estimated, it shall be so marked.~~

15 ~~(2) Whenever for any reason the period of service for which a bill is rendered is less than fifty percent~~
16 ~~(50%) of the normal billing period, the charges applicable to such service, including minimum charges, shall be~~
17 ~~pro-rated in the proportion that the actual number of service days bears to a thirty (30) day month, except that:~~

18 ~~(a) Opening bills need not be rendered but may be carried over to and included in the next regular~~
19 ~~monthly billing.~~

20 ~~(b) For service taken under flat rate schedules, fifty percent (50%) of the normal charges may be~~
21 ~~applied.~~

22 ~~(c) The practices employed by the utility in this regard shall have uniform application to all customers.~~

23 ~~(3) Bills shall not be considered delinquent prior to the expiration of twenty (20) days from the date of~~
24 ~~mailing or delivery by the utility.~~

25 Specific Authority 367.121(1) FS. Law Implemented 367.111(1), 367.121 FS. History—Amended 9-14-74, 5-21-

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SUMMARY OF RULE

Rule 25-10.026, F.A.C. requires water and wastewater utilities to maintain records in accordance with the NARUC system of accounts and to maintain those records in an office within the State of Florida. All provisions of this rule have been included within the newer Rules 25-30.115, F.A.C., Uniform System of Accounts for Water and Wastewater Utilities and 25-30.110, F.A.C., Records and Reports; Annual Reports. Rule 25-10.111, F.A.C., requires water and wastewater utilities to bill customers at regular intervals; contains various provisions for pro-rating less than full bill amounts; and requires a minimum of 20 days before a bill is considered delinquent. All of the provisions of this rule have been subsumed by Rule 25-30.335, F.A.C., Customer Billing. Repeal of Rules 25-10.026 and 25-10.111 will prevent confusion or conflict with the more detailed rules in Chapter 25-30, and will eliminate redundant provisions which are no longer in use.

SUMMARY OF HEARINGS ON THE RULE

No hearing was requested and none was held.

FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES JUSTIFYING THE RULE

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