BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

DOCKET NO: 981097-GU

IN RE: PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF RULE 25-12.005, F.A.C., CODES AND STANDARDS ADOPTED (UPDATE OF GAS PIPELINE SAFETY CODES)

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT

TO

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS

ISSUED: October 23, 1998

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 120.54, Florida Statutes, that the Florida Public Service Commission staff has initiated the development of Rule 25-12.005, Florida Administrative Code, to amend provisions relating to codes and standards adopted.

The attached Notice of Proposed Rule Development will appear in the October 30, 1998, edition of the Florida Administrative Weekly. A rule development workshop will be held at the following time and place:

Florida Public Service Commission 9:30 a.m. December 8, 1998 Betty Easley Conference Center Room 148, 4075 Esplanade Way Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Any person requiring some accommodation at this workshop because of a physical impairment should call the Division of Records and Reporting at (850) 413-6770 at least 48 hours prior to the hearing. Any person who is hearing or speech impaired should contact the Florida Public Service Commission using the Florida Relay Service, which can be reached at 1-800-955-8771 (TDD).

By Direction of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 23rd day of October, 1998.

BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Director

Division of Records & Reporting

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RULE TITLE:

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Codes and Standards Adopted

25-12.005

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: Updates the Commission's references to existing federal gas pipeline safety regulations adopted previously.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Current federal gas pipeline safety codes - Code of Federal Regulations 192 and 199.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: 368.05(2), 350.127(2) FS

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 368.03, FS

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THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS: Ed Mills, Division of Electric and Gas, Florida Public Service Commission, 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd., Tallahassee, FL 32399-0862.

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS:

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25-12.005 Codes and Standards Adopted.

Minimum Federal Safety Standards and reporting requirements for pipeline facilities and transportation of gas prescribed by the United States Department of Transportation in Parts 191 and 192 of Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) as amended through October 20, 1998 January 31, 1991, are adopted as part of these rules. Part 199, "Drug and Alcohol Testing" as amended through October 20, 1998 December 27, 1989 is adopted to control drug use, by setting standards and requirements to apply to the testing and use of all emergency response personnel under the direct authority or control of a gas utility or pipeline operator, as well as all employees directly or indirectly employed by gas pipeline operators for the purpose of operation and maintenance and all employees directly or indirectly employed by intrastate gas distribution utilities for on-site construction of natural gas transporting pipeline facilities. Part 199 also is adopted to prescribe standards for use of employees who do not meet the requirements of the regulations.

Specific Authority 368.05(2), 350.127(2), FS.

Law Implemented 368.03, FS.

History - New 11-14-70, Amended 9-24-71, Revised 9-21-74, Amended 10-7-75, 11-30-82, 10-2-84, 8-8-89, formerly 25-12.05, amended 1-7-92,