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Public Service Commission

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Mr. Carroll Webb Joint Administrative Procedures Committee 120 Holland Building Tallahassee, Florida 32399

> Re: Docket No. 981103-EG - Proposed Amendment of Rule 25-17.015, F.A.C., Energy Conservation Cost Recovery

Dear Mr. Webb:

The Commission has approved the adoption of Rule 25-17.015, without changes.

We plan to file the rule for adoption on April 14, 1999.

Sincerely,

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conservation costs for the estimated/actual true-up period.

- (c) An annual projection filing showing 12 months projected common costs and program co. s for the period beginning January 1

 April 1 following the annual hearing.
- (d) An annual petition setting forth proposed energy conservation cost recovery factors to be effective for the 12-month period beginning January 1 April 1 following the hearing. Such proposed cost recovery factors shall take into account the data filed pursuant to paragraphs (1)(a), (1)(b), and (1)(c).
- (e) Within the 90 days that immediately follow the first six months of the reporting period in paragraph (1)(a), each utility shall report the actual results for that period on Form PSC/EAG/44 (11/97), entitled, Energy Conservation Cost Recovery Annual Short Form, which is incorporated by reference in this rule, and may be obtained from the Director, Division of Electric and Gas, Florida Public Service Commission.
- (2) Each utility shall establish separate accounts or subaccounts for each conservation program for purposes of recording the costs incurred for that program. Each utility shall also establish separate subaccounts for any revenues derived from specific customer charges associated with specific programs.
- (3) A complete list of all account and subaccount numbers used for conservation cost recovery shall accompany each filing in paragraph (1)(a).

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- 1 (4) New programs or program modifications must be approved
 2 prior to a utility seeking cost recovery. Specifically, any
 3 incentives or rebates associated with new or modified programs
 4 may not be recovered if paid before approval. However, if a
 5 utility incurs prudent implementation costs before a new program
 6 or modification has been approved by the Commission, a utility
 7 may seek recovery of these expenditures.
 - conservation cost recovery shall be directly related to an approved conservation program, shall not mention a competing energy source, and shall not be company image enhancing. When the advertisement makes a specific claim of potential energy savings or states appliance efficiency ratings or savings, all data sources and calculations used to substantiate these claims must be included in the filing required by paragraph (1) (a). In determining whether an advertisement is "directly related to an approved conservation program", the Commission shall consider, but is not limited to, whether the advertisement or advertising campaign:
 - (a) Identifies a specific problem;

- (b) States how to correct the problem; and
- (c) Provides direction concerning how to obtain help to alleviate the problem.
- 24 Specific Authority: 350.127(2), 366.05(1), F.S.
- 25 Law Implemented: 366.04(2)(f), 366.06(1), 366.82(3) & (5), F.S.

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