

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMISSION,

Petitioner,

vs.

PSC Docket No. 050018-WU

ALOHA UTILITIES, INC.,

Respondent.

**ALOHA UTILITIES, INC.'S
REQUEST FOR ORAL ARGUMENT**

Aloha Utilities, Inc. ("Aloha"), by and through undersigned counsel, hereby requests oral argument on Aloha's Motion for Abatement. Oral argument on this Motion would help clarify the issues, insure that the Commission will be fully informed on the same, and allow the parties to further express their various concerns or comments. It is in the interest of the company, the Commission, the customers and the public at large that a proceeding such as this be conducted consistent with the Florida Administrative Procedure Act and that Aloha be afforded due process of law at all times herein.

Aloha believes that it is the better practice to request oral argument contemporaneous with the motion to which the request is directed. However, there is no Uniform Rule which requires that a Request for Oral Argument be made contemporaneous with a Motion for Abatement, or in fact, that a Request for Oral Argument be made at all. Additionally, Aloha was not aware, until this date, that the Motion for

Abatement would be heard by the full Commission, despite the fact that it is clearly a procedural matter.

Respectfully submitted this 29th
day of March, 2005, by:



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished by fax and U.S. Mail this 29th day of March, 2005, to:

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oral argument on motion for abatement