



Public Service Commission

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DATE: March 28, 2001
TO: Kay Flynn, Division of Records and Reporting
FROM: Ralph Jaeger, Division of Legal Services
RE: Release of Bond filed in Docket No. 920199-WS - Application for rate increase in Brevard, Charlotte/Lee, Citrus, Clay, Duval, Highlands, Lake, Marion, Martin, Nassau, Orange, Osceola, Pasco, Putnam, Seminole, Volusia, and Washington Counties SOUTHERN STATES UTILITIES, INC.; Collier County by MARCO SHORES UTILITIES (Deltona); Hernando County by SPRING HILL UTILITIES (Deltona); and Volusia County by DELTONA LAKES UTILITIES (Deltona).

Pursuant to Order No. PSC-98-0749-FOF-WS, issued May 29, 1998, in the above-noted docket, Florida Water Services Corporation, f/k/a/ Southern States Utilities, Inc. (utility) was directed to file a bond in the amount of \$2,705,331, as security for any possible refunds to its Spring Hill customers for the period January 23, 1996 to June 14, 1997. This the utility did by transmittal letter dated October 27, 1998, whereby the utility submitted Surety Rider/Bond No. 5723795 issued by Safeco Insurance Company of America, effective May 29, 1998, in the amount of \$2,705,331.

However, on January 10, 2001, the utility filed its Motion to Approve Settlement Agreement Extension Concerning Spring Hill Appeal whereby Hernando County and the utility had reached a total settlement of the Spring Hill refund issue for the period January 23, 1996 through June 14, 1997. This Settlement Agreement Extension was approved by the Commission, and Order No. PSC-01-0387-AS-WS was issued on February 15, 2001, accordingly. On Page seven of that Order, the Commission specifically noted that the Settlement Agreement Extension resolved all issues concerning the requirement that the utility make refunds to the Spring Hill water and wastewater customers for the period January 23, 1996 through June 13, 1997.

Order No. PSC-01-0387-AS-WS was not appealed and the time for filing an appeal has passed. Therefore, the above-noted bond may now be released. Please release the above-noted bond or advise me immediately if you require any further information.

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