BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Application of POINT O'WOODS) DOCKET NO. 890233-WS UTILITIES, INC. for transfer of) ORDER NO. 22694 Certificates 188-W and 133-S in Citrus) ISSUED: 3/16/90 County to SOUTHERN STATES UTILITIES,) INC.

ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO SUSPEND CASE SCHEDULE

On February 14, 1989, Southern States Utilities, Inc. (SSUI) filed an application to amend its Certificates in Citrus County to include the territory being served by Point O'Woods Utilities, Inc.

On November 6, 1989, the Commission issued its Proposed Agency Action (PAA) Order No. 22150 approving the transfer of the Certificates.

On November 27, 1989, the Office of Public Counsel filed a timely protest to the PAA Order identified in the preceding paragraph, alleging that said Order raised disputed issues of material fact and law with respect to whether the proposed rate base at the time of transfer should have recognized a negative acquisition adjustment.

A prehearing conference was scheduled for June 4, 1990, and a hearing was scheduled for June 27, 1990. Order No. 22436, issued January 22, 1990, established the schedule by which the matter would proceed to hearing.

On February 26, 1990, the Office of Public Counsel and SSUI filed joint motions to suspend the case schedule and for Commission approval of a settlement agreement which resolved all issues between the parties. The settlement agreement will be addressed by the panel assigned to this case.

In consideration of the foregoing, I find that it is reasonable to grant the motion to suspend the case schedule for the above-styled case until further notice.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED by Commissioner Betty Easley, as Prehearing Officer, that the parties' Joint Motion to Suspend Case Schedule filed herein on February 26, 1990 is hereby granted.

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By ORDER of Commissioner Betty Easley, as Prehearing Officer, this 16th day of MARCH, 1990,

BETTY EXSLEY, Commissioner and Prehearing Officer

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