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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Florida Public Service Commission has received a petition from Ocala Springs Utilities, Inc., filed July 13, 1998, and amended July 31, 1998, in Docket No. 980876-WS, seeking temporary variance from Rules 25-30.033(1)(h),(j),(k),(m),(o),(r),(t),(u),(v),(w), (2), (3), (4) and 25-30.433(10), Florida Administrative Code. The above-referenced portion of Rule 25-30.033 contains the information required to establish rates and charges. Rules 25-30.033(2), (3) and (4) require the utility to implement the base facility and usage rate structure, to establish a return on common equity using the Commission's leverage formula, and authorizes the accrued allowance for funds used during construction.

Written comments on the petition should be filed with the Commission's Division of Records and Reporting, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, within 14 days after publication of this notice. A copy of the petition can be obtained from the Division of Records and Reporting. For additional

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