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Public Service Commission

November 30, 1998

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

Re: DOCKET NO. 980275-GU - PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF RULE 25-6.0131, F.A.C, INVESTOR-OWNED ELECTRIC COMPANY REGULATORY ASSESSMENT FEES

Dear Mr. Webb:

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Commissioners:

JOE GARCIA

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SUSAN F. CLARK

E. LEON JACOBS, JR.

JULIA L. JOHNSON. CHAIRMAN

The Commission has approved the amendment of Rule 25-6.0131 without changes, and Form PSC/ADM 68 with the change noticed in the Florida Administrative Weekly on November 13, 1998.

We plan to file the rule for adoption on December 7, 1998.

Sincerely,

AFA ____ Christiana T. Moore
APP ____ CAPF60131.MRD
Enclosure
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25-6.0131 Regulatory Assessment Fees; Investor-owned Electric 1 Companies, Municipal Electric Utilities, Rural Electric 2 Cooperatives. 3 (1) As applicable and as provided in s. 350.113, F.S., each 4 company, utility, or cooperative shall remit to the Commission a 5 fee based upon its gross operating revenue. This fee shall be 6 referred to as a regulatory assessment fee. Regardless of the 7 gross operating revenue of a company, a minimum annual regulatory 8 assessment fee of \$25 shall be imposed. 9 (a) Each investor-owned electric company shall pay a 10 regulatory assessment fee in the amount of .00072 0.000833 of 11 gross operating revenues derived from intrastate business, 12 excluding sales for resale between public utilities, municipal 13 electric utilities, and rural electric cooperatives or any 14 combination thereof. 15 Each municipal electric utility and rural electric 16 cooperative shall pay a regulatory assessment fee in the amount 17 of 0.00015625 of its gross operating revenues derived from 18 intrastate business, excluding sales for resale between public 19 utilities, municipal electric utilities, and rural cooperatives 20 21 or any combination thereof. Regulatory assessment fees are due each January 30 for 22 the preceding period or any part of the period from July 1 until 23 December 31, and on July 30 for the preceding period or any part 24 of the period from January 1 until June 30. 25 Words underlined are additions; words in struck through type are deletions from existing law. 1 -

(3) If the due date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or a holiday, the due date is extended to the next business day. If the fees are sent by registered mail, the date of the registration is the United States Postal Service's postmark date. If the fees are sent by certified mail and the receipt is postmarked by a postal employee, the date on the receipt is the United States Postal Service's postmark date. The postmarked certified mail receipt is evidence that the fees were delivered. Regulatory assessment fees are considered paid on the date they are postmarked by the United States Postal Service or received and logged in by the Commission's Division of Administration in Tallahassee. Fees are considered timely paid if properly addressed, with sufficient postage and postmarked no later than the due date.

- (4) Commission Form PSC/ADM 68 (01/9907/96), entitled "Investor-Owned Electric Utility Regulatory Assessment Fee Return"; Form PSC/ADM 69 (07/96), entitled "Municipal Electric Utility Regulatory Assessment Fee Return"; and Form PSC/ADM 70 (07/96), entitled "Rural Electric Cooperative Regulatory Assessment Fee Return" are incorporated into this rule by reference and may be obtained from the Commission's Division of Administration. The failure of a utility to receive a return form shall not excuse the utility from its obligation to timely remit the regulatory assessment fees.
 - (5) Each company, utility, or cooperative shall have up to

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and including the due date in which to: 1 Remit the total amount of its fee or 2 Remit an amount which the company, utility, or 3 cooperative estimates is its full fee. 4 (6) Where the company, utility, or cooperative remits less 5 than its full fee, the remainder of the full fee shall be due on 7 or before the 30th day from the due date and shall, where the amount remitted was less than 90 percent of the total regulatory 8 9 assessment fee, include interest as provided by subsection (8)(b) of this Rule. 10 (7) A company may request from the Division of 11 Administration a 30-day extension of its due date for payment of 12 13 regulatory assessment fees or for filing its return form. The request for extension must be written and 14 accompanied by a statement of good cause. 15 The request for extension must be received by the 16 Division of Administration at least two weeks before the due 17 18 date. (c) Where a company, utility, or cooperative receives an 19 extension of its due date pursuant to this rule, then the entity 20 shall remit a charge in addition to the regulatory assessment 21 fee, as set out in s. 350.113, F.S. 22 (8) The delinquency of any amount due to the Commission 23 from the company, utility, or cooperative pursuant to the 24 provisions of s. 350.113, F.S. and this rule, begins with the 25 Words underlined are additions; words in struck through type are deletions from existing law. - 3 -

first calendar day after any date established as the due date either by operation of this rule or by an extension pursuant to this rule. (a) A penalty, as set out in s. 350.113, F.S. shall apply to any such delinquent amounts. Interest at the rate of 12 percent per annum shall apply to any such delinquent amounts. Specific Authority: 350.127(2), F.S. Law Implemented: 350.113, 366.14, F.S. History: New 5/18/83, Amended 2/9/84, formerly 25-6.131, Amended 6/18/86, 10/16/86, 3/7/89, 2/19/92, 07/08/96, 01/01/99.

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TO AVOID PENALTY AND INTEREST CHARGES, THE REGULATORY ASSESSMENT PER RETURN MUST BE PILED ON CR. REPORT PRESENCE. Electric Utility Regulatory Assement Fee Return Investor-Own FOR PSC USE ONLY Florida Public Service Commission STATUS: (See Pling Instructions on Back of Form) 0602002 Actual Return 003001 Estimated Return 0602002 004011 PERIOD COVERED: SI SI BE (3) Postmark Date Initials of Preparer Please Complete Below If Official Mailing Address Has Changed (Address) (City/State) (Zip) (Name of Utility) INE ACCOUNT INTRASTATE SALES FOR RESALE & TOTAL INTERSTATE AMOUNTS REVENUES AMOUNTS NO. CLASSIFICATION Sales of Electricity: Residential Sales (440) 2 Commercial Sales (442) 3. Industrial Sales (442) Industrial Sales (442)
Public Street and Highway Lighting (444)
Other Sales to Public Authorities (445)
Sales to Railroads and Railways (446)
Interdepartmental Sales (448)
Total Sales to Ultimate Consumers 5. 6. Sales for Resale (447) Total Sales of Electricity 10. 11. Provision for Rate Refunds (449.1) 12. Total Revenue Net of Refu 13. 14. OTHER OPERATING REVENUES: Forfeited Discounts (450) 15. Miscellaneous Service Revenues (451)
Sales of Water and Water Power (453)
Rent from Electric Property (454)
Interdepartmental Rents (455)
Other Electric Revenues (456) 16. 17. 18. 19. 20. Deferred Fuel Revenue 21. Deferred Conservation Revenues 22. 23. Unbilled Revenues 24. Other Total Other Operating Revenues Total Electric Operating Revenue Adjustments: (Specify) 25. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30. 31. 32. Total Adjustments
Revenues Subject to Regulatory Assessment Fee
REGULATORY ASSESSMENT FEE RATE 33. 34 35. REGULATORY ASSESSMENT FEE 36. DUE (Line 34 x Line 35) 37. LESS: PAYMENT POR JAN. 1 - JUNE 30 PERIOD NET REGULATORY ASSESSMENT FEE DUE 38. PENALTY FOR LATE PAYMENT 39. INTEREST FOR LATE PAYMENT 40. TOTAL AMOUNT DUE AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 350.113, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE MINIMUM ANNUAL FEE IS \$25
THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED REGARDLESS OF THE AMOUNT OF REVENUES REPORTED I, the undersigned owner/officer of the above-named vendor, have read the foregoing and declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief the above information is a true and correct statement. I am aware that pursuant to Section 837.06, Florida Statutes, whoever knowingly makes a false statement in writing with the intent to mislead a public servant in the performance of his official duty shall be guilty of a misdemeanor of the second degree. (Date) (Signature of Utility Official) (Title)

(Please Print Name)

Telephone Number (____)

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