## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition to initiate rulemaking to amend | DOCKET NO. 060035-GU Rule 25-7.037, F.A.C., Change in Character of Service, by Associated Gas Distributors of ISSUED: May 18, 2006 Florida, Inc.

ORDER NO. PSC-06-0413-NOR-GU

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

LISA POLAK EDGAR, Chairman J. TERRY DEASON ISILIO ARRIAGA MATTHEW M. CARTER II KATRINA J. TEW

## **NOTICE OF RULEMAKING**

## BY THE COMMISSION:

NOTICE is hereby given that the Florida Public Service Commission, pursuant to Section 120.54, Florida Statutes, has initiated rulemaking to amend Rule 25-7.037, Florida Administrative Code, relating to change in character of service.

The attached Notice of Rulemaking will appear in the May 26, 2006 edition of the Florida Administrative Weekly.

If timely requested, a hearing will be held at a time and place to be announced in a future notice.

Written requests for hearing and written comments or suggestions on the rule must be received by the Director, Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services, Florida Public Service Commission, 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd., Tallahassee, FL 32399-0862, no later than June 16, 2006.

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By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this 18th day of May, 2006.

BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Director Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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RULE TITLE:

RULE NO.:

Change in Character of Service

25-7.037

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: To state clearly that where a local distribution company makes

certain changes to the character of its service it must revise its tariffs, obtain Commission

approval and notify the customers.

SUMMARY: The rule contains the requirement that a regulated natural gas utility may not make

any change in the character of the gas it provides for customers' appliances without prior

approval of the Commission and adequate notice. The proposed rule amendments would clarify

that a Florida regulated gas utility is only responsible for changes made by itself to the

characteristics of the gas it delivers to its customers and is not responsible for the characteristics

of the gas it receives from interconnecting interstate pipelines.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COST: There should be no

additional costs to the regulated companies, the public, or the Commission.

Any person who wishes to provide information regarding the statement of estimated regulatory

costs, or to provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative must do so in writing within

21 days of this notice.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: 366.05 FS

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 366.05(1), 366.03 FS

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WRITTEN COMMENTS OR SUGGESTIONS ON THE PROPOSED RULE MAY BE

SUBMITTED TO THE FPSC, DIVISION OF THE COMMISSION CLERK AND

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES, WITHIN 21 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE FOR

INCLUSION IN THE RECORD OF THE PROCEEDING.

IF REQUESTED WITHIN 21 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE, A HEARING WILL

BE SCHEDULED AND ANNOUNCED IN THE FAW.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE THESE PROPOSED RULE IS:

Christiana Moore, Florida Public Service Commission, 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd., Tallahassee,

Florida 32399-0862, (850) 413-6098.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

25-7.037 Change in Character of Service.

A utility shall not make aAny changes in heating value, pressure, specific gravity, gas

composition, or other condition or characteristic of the gas it delivers which would impair the

safe, efficient utilization of the gas in customers' the customer's appliances shall not be made

without tariff revisions setting forth the changes, the prior approval of the Commission, and

without adequate notice to the customers. Any such change by the utility shall be accompanied

by a general inspection and adjustment of all appliances that would be affected thereby to the

extent necessary that such appliances the appliance may operate as efficiently and give as good

service as was possible before the change. This shall be done promptly, without direct charge,

and with a minimum of inconvenience to the customer.

Specific Authority 366.05 FS.

Law Implemented 366.05(1), 366.03 FS.

History–Repromulgated 1-8-75, 5-4-75, Formerly 25-7.37, Amended

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NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Ed Mills

NAME OF SUPERVISOR OR PERSONS WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE:

Florida Public Service Commission.

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED: May 16, 2006

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAW: Volume 32,

Number 11, March 17, 2006.