BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Revision to Rules 25-6.050, Location of Meters, and 25-6.100, Customer Billings, F.A.C.

DOCKET NO. 120252-EI ORDER NO. PSC-12-0654-NOR-EI ISSUED: December 14, 2012

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

RONALD A. BRISÉ, Chairman LISA POLAK EDGAR ART GRAHAM EDUARDO E. BALBIS JULIE I. BROWN

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 Rules 25-6.050, and 25-6.100, Florida Administrative Code, relating to Location of Meters and Customer Billings.

The attached Notice of Rulemaking appeared in the December 13, 2012 edition of the Florida Administrative Register. 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 on the rules must be received by the Office of Commission Clerk, Florida Public Service Commission, 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd., Tallahassee, FL 32399-0862, no later than January 3, 2013.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this 14th day of December, 2012.

ANN COLE Commission Clerk Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399 (850) 413-6770 www.floridapsc.com

Copies furnished: A copy of this document is provided to the parties of record at the time of issuance and, if applicable, interested persons.

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Notice of Proposed Rule

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

25-6.050: Location of Meters

25-6.100: Customer Billings

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The rules are amended in order to clarify existing practices regarding circumstances when a customer requests the electric meter to be placed in a different location and when customers want information about their electric bills.

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SUMMARY: Rule 25-6.050 is amended to address circumstances when a customer requests a different location for the meter. Rule 25-6.100 is amended to delete references to utility's local offices for bill payments. Instead, the utility must provide a toll-free number for information about locations where customers may pay their utility bills. SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

The Agency has determined that this will not have an adverse impact on small business or likely increase directly or indirectly regulatory costs in excess of \$200,000 in the aggregate within one year after the implementation of the rule. A SERC has been prepared by the agency.

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: based upon the information contained in the SERC.

Any person who wishes to provide information regarding a statement of estimated regulatory costs, or provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative must do so in writing within 21 days of this notice.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 366.05(1), 366.04(2), FS

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 366.05(1), 366.04(2), 366.03, 366.041(1), 366.051, 366.06(1), FS

IF REQUESTED WITHIN 21 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE, A HEARING WILL BE SCHEDULED AND ANNOUNCED IN THE FAR.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Cindy Miller, Office of General Counsel, 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd., Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850, (850) 413-6082, cmiller@psc.state.fl.us.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

25-6.050 Location of Meters.

The utility shall designate to an applicant or its customers the location for meter placement. Locations of meters shall should be easily accessible for reading, testing, and making necessary adjustments and repairs. If an applicant requests a different location for meter placement from that designated by the utility on initial application for service and the utility agrees that the different meter location is acceptable to the utility, the applicant shall pay the incremental cost of installing the meter at the different meter location. If an existing customer requests relocation of an existing installed meter and the utility agrees that the different meter location is acceptable to the utility, the existing customer shall pay the incremental cost of relocating the meter at the different meter location.

Specific Authority 366.05(1) FS. Law Implemented 366.05(1) FS. History–New 7-29-69, <u>Amended XX-XX-XX</u>, Formerly 25-6.50.

25-6.100 Customer Billings.

(1) No change

(2) By January 1, 1983, each customer's bill shall show at least the following information:

(a) - (i) No change

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(j) The name <u>and address</u> of the utility plus the <u>toll-free number(s)</u> where <u>customers can receive information about</u> their bill as well as locations where the customers can pay their utility bill. Such information must identify those locations where no surcharge is incurred. address and telephone number of the local office where the bill can be paid and any questions about the bill can be answered.</u>

(3) No change
(4) No change
(5) No change
(6 No change
(7) No change
(a) - (d) No change
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Specific Authority 366.05(1), 366.04(2) FS. Law Implemented 366.03, 366.04(2), 366.041(1), 366.051, 366.06(1)
FS. History-New 2-25-76, Amended 4-13-80, 12-29-81, 6-28-82, 5-16-83, <u>XX-XX-XX</u>.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Bill McNulty

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Florida Public Service Commission DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: December 10, 2012

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: Volume 38, Number 10, March 9, 2012.

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