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**DATE:** April 14, 1995  
**TO:** Parties to IOU Electric Utility Conservation Program Dockets Nos. 941170-EG, 941171-EG, 941172-EG & 941173-EG  
**FROM:** Joseph D. Jenkins, Director  
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**RE:** Staff Communications

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Although staff communications Rule 25-22.033 does not apply to PAA dockets, I am none-the-less hereby informing current and potential parties of communications with parties relating to the above dockets.

1. April 10, 1995: A meeting was held with parties on conservation programs tending to increase KW and KWH consumption whenever gas is available. At this meeting a handout was distributed describing a factual situation involving a hospital that was induced to remain all-electric because of an electric utility's commercial load management program. Please contact me at (904)488-8501 if you did not and wish to receive a copy of the handout. The handout described programs that may be competition instead of conservation oriented programs.

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2. April 10, 1995: Staff met with Florida Power to discuss a complaint received from the Clearwater municipal gas utility. The City is building new offices and initially was planning to install gas heating and cooling. To minimize capital costs, the City is now planning all-electric offices. Florida Power is offering a rebate if the City installs high-efficiency air conditioning and heating. It is difficult to tell whether the City will be going to all-electric because of the Florida Power rebate. What is unusual is that the City and the City's gas division are all parts of the same entity. At this time, staff is not planning to pursue the gas vs. electric question for Clearwater gas. There is another issue which we may pursue that, at the moment, does not appear to be related to the gas vs. electric issue. Ms. Deb Swim from LEAF was present.

3. April 10, 1995: With several Electric and Gas staff members present, I initiated a conference call with a Mr. Dan Merilatt of Gulf Power. The call was about their proposed Transtext program for residential customers. The discussion was about nuances in the program which we did not understand. On April 11, 1995, I received a twelve page fax from him answering questions we had posed. (Please contact me if you wish a copy.) On April 12, 1995, Gulf's Tom Kilgore called me. During the discussion, I said that staff would recommend program approval if program costs were recovered from customers participating in the Transtext program. This could be done in the P3 and/or P4 periods. The problem is that the program has too many unusual assumptions to be approved with a RIM ratio of 1.0. There is no room for error.

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