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via Federal Express

Ms. Blanca Bayó, Director Division of Records & Reporting Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

> Re: Docket No. <u>Undocketed</u> -- Proposed Changes to Rule 25-30.115 Uniform System of Accounts for Water and Wastewater Utilities to Incorporate the 1996 NARUC Uniform System of Accounts

Dear Ms. Bayó:

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SEC .

On behalf of Southern States Utilities, Inc. (SSU) I write to request a rule development workshop concerning the above-referenced rule and also to request that the workshop presently scheduled for November 13 be rescheduled to December 12.

SSU is particularly concerned with the changes made in the, 1996 National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners Uniform Systems of Accounts (NARUC USOA) to establish new accounts for reclaimed water plant, expenses, and revenues, among other changes. SSU's concerns stem primarily from decisions the Commission made in Docket No. 950495-WS, as memorialized in Order No. PSC-96-1320-FOF-WS, issued October 30, 1996. (Said order is now on appeal before the First District Court of Appeals.) In that case, the Commission rejected the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) definition of and facility requirements for reuse. SSU opposes any which contemplates a reuse accounting Commission rule classification in any way inconsistent with the FDEP's definition of and facility requirements for reuse. Accordingly, to exchange wiews with staff on the subject, SSU requests a workshop.

AFA Representatives of SSU will have difficulty attending a workshop on APP November 13 due to other commitments. I therefore request that the workshop presently scheduled for November 13 be rescheduled until CAF December 12, the day after the hearing in another water and CMU. -wastewater industry rulemaking matter, Docket No. 960258-WS. I believe this proposal is beneficial because it affords interested CTR persons more time to study the matter and because out-of-town EAG industry representatives in Tallahassee for the Docket 960258-WS hearing may participate in the workshop without having to make two LEG trips to Tallahassee. LIN

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If you have any questions or comments regarding the foregoing, please call me at (407) 880-0058, ext. 260.

Sincerely yours

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