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The Florida Public Service Commission announces a Hearing and Prehearing Conference to be held in the following docket, to which all interested persons and parties are invited to attend.

<u>DOCKET NO.</u> 000108-GU - Request for rate increase by Florida Division of Chesapeake Utilities Corporation.

<u>DATE AND TIME:</u> Hearing - 9:30 a.m., Monday, October 16, 2000; Prehearing Conference - 1:30 p.m., Thursday, September 28, 2000.

<u>PLACE:</u> Commission Hearing Room 148, Betty Easley Conference Center, 4075 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee, Florida.

<u>PURPOSE</u>: The purpose of the Hearing is for the Commission to consider the request for a rate increase by the Florida Division of Chesapeake Utilities Company and to consider any other matters as the Commission may deem appropriate. The purpose of the Prehearing Conference is to: (1) simplify the issues; (2) identify the parties' positions on the issues; (3) consider the possibility of obtaining admissions of fact and of documents which will avoid unnecessary proof; (4) identify exhibits; (5) establish an order of witnesses; and (6) consider such other matters as may aid in the disposition of the case.

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