

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: OKEFENOKEE RURAL ELECTRIC MEMBER-)	DOCKET NO. 890499-EC
SHIP CORPORATION'S RATE INCREASE FOR)	ORDER NO. 21944
BILLS RENDERED ON OR AFTER 1/1/89.)	ISSUED: 9-26-89
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The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

MICHAEL McK. WILSON, Chairman
 THOMAS M. BEARD
 BETTY EASLEY
 GERALD L. GUNTER
 JOHN T. HERNDON

ORDER REGARDING A COMMENT LETTER ON
TARIFF REVISIONS IMPLEMENTED BY
OKEFENOKEE RURAL MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION

BY THE COMMISSION:

Okefenokee Rural Electric Membership Corporation (OREMC) implemented tariff revisions effective January 1, 1989. Originally included in those revisions was \$500 monthly customer service charge for the large demand class, HD, comprised of former residential and GSD-2 customers. GSD-2 customers had previously been subject for a \$250 monthly service charge. Customer charges imposed by Florida's four major electric utilities for comparable demands ranged from \$41.00 for FPL to \$170.00 for TECO. When compared with these charges, OREMC's revised tariff relating to the large demand class appeared excessive and could unfairly penalize customers with variable usage patterns. Staff, therefore, in its May 18, 1989 recommendation prepared for the May 30, 1989 agenda, suggested that the Commission issue a comment letter asking OREMC to justify its revised charge. Prior to agenda, representatives of OREMC responded to staff's expressed concerns by indicating the company would reduce the charges back to \$250. The HD tariff revision was implemented on July 1, 1989. We find, therefore, that no further action need be taken on OREMC's tariff revisions implemented January 1, 1989, and modified effective July 1, 1989. It is, therefore,

ORDERED that no further action be taken on OREMC's tariff revisions implemented January 1, 1989 and modified effective July 1, 1989. It is further

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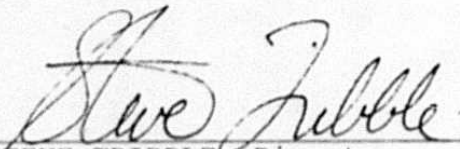
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ORDERED that this docket shall be closed after the time has run in which to file a petition for reconsideration or notice of appeal of such action is not taken.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission,
this 26th day of SEPTEMBER, 1989.



STEVE TRIBBLE, Director
Division of Records and Reporting

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NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.59(4), Florida Statutes, to notify parties of any administrative hearing or judicial review of Commission orders that is available under Sections 120.57 or 120.68, Florida Statutes, as well as the procedures and time limits that apply. This notice should not be construed to mean all requests for an administrative hearing or judicial review will be granted or result in the relief sought.

Any party adversely affected by the Commission's final action in this matter may request: 1) reconsideration of the decision by filing a motion for reconsideration with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting within fifteen (15) days of the issuance of this order in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code; or 2) judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility or the First District Court of Appeal in the case of a water or sewer utility by filing a notice of appeal with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting and filing a copy of the notice of appeal and the filing fee with the appropriate court. This filing must be completed within thirty (30) days after the issuance of this order, pursuant to Rule 9.110, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure. The notice of appeal must be in the form specified in Rule 9.900(a), Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.