

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Request for approval of) DOCKET NO. 920169-EI
rate schedule EPQ, Enhanced Power) ORDER NO. PSC-92-0213-FOF-EI
Quality, by Gulf Power Company.) ISSUED: 4/15/92

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

THOMAS M. BEARD, Chairman
SUSAN F. CLARK
J. TERRY DEASON
BETTY EASLEY
LUIS J. LAUREDO

ORDER APPROVING RATE SCHEDULE

BY THE COMMISSION:

On February 24, 1992, Gulf Power Company (Gulf or utility) filed a tariff proposing a service entitled Enhanced Power Quality (EPQ). This is a new service which will be available to Residential, General Service, and General Service-Demand customers as well as any time-of-use customer on those schedules. However, it is available only to customers with single-phase self contained meters and 200-amp or smaller electric panels.

According to the tariff, customers are required to sign an Application for Service, and are required to take service under the rate schedule for at least 12 months. Gulf indicates that the rate will be promoted through the utility's existing Power Quality Program and bill inserts.

The service involves installation and maintenance of a company-owned whole house surge arrester between the meter socket and the meter, for which the customer will pay a monthly charge of \$3.45. The purpose of the arrester is to divert to ground electrical surges which originate from the distribution line, and thus prevent them from entering the customer's wiring and damaging electrical and electronic equipment. Gulf indicates the effective clamping voltage for surges is lower for this device than for other commercially available arresters, and thus appears to offer better protection. According to Gulf, the device will not protect against surges which enter through telephone or cable television lines.

Having reviewed the proposed tariff, we find that it is in the public interest to approve it.

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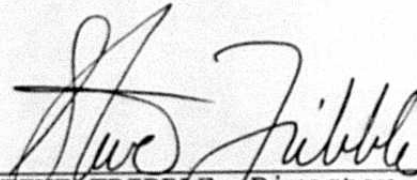
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Therefore, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the request for approval of the Enhanced Power Quality tariff is granted. It is further

ORDERED that this Order shall become final and the docket closed unless an appropriate petition for formal proceeding is received by the Division of Records and Reporting, 101 East Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0870, by the close of business on the date indicated in the Notice of Further Proceedings or Judicial Review.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 15th day of April, 1992.



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.

The Commission's decision on this tariff is interim in nature and will become final, unless a person whose substantial interests are affected by the action proposed files a petition for a formal proceeding, as provided by Rule 25-22.036(4), Florida Administrative Code, in the form provided by Rule

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25-22.036(7)(a)(d) and (e), Florida Administrative Code. This petition must be received by the Director, Division of Records and Reporting at his office at 101 East Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0870, by the close of business on May 6, 1992.

In the absence of such a petition, this Order shall become final on the day subsequent to the above date.

Any objection or protest filed in this docket before the issuance date of this Order is considered abandoned unless it satisfies the foregoing conditions and is renewed within the specified protest period.

If this Order becomes final on the date described above, any party adversely affected may request judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility or by 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 of the date this Order becomes final, 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.