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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATION

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SYSTEMS: CITRUS PARK, SALT SPRINGS, DAETWYLER SHORES, LAKE
CONWAY PARK, AND WESTMONT WATER

COUNTIES: MARION AND ORANGE

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SOUTHERN STATES UTILITIES, INC.

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1 DIRECT TESTIMONY OF ROBERTO ANSAG

2 Q. Please state your name and business address.

3 A. My name is Roberto Ansag. My address is 3319 Maguire Blvd., Suite 232,
4 Orlando, Florida 32803-3767.

5 Q. Please state a brief description of your educational background and
6 experience.

7 A. I graduated from Rollins College with a degree in Environmental Science
8 in 1983. I have been employed with the Florida Department of Environmental
9 Regulation (FDER) since 1985.

10 Q. By whom are you presently employed?

11 A. I am employed by the Florida Department of Environmental Regulation
12 (FDER).

13 Q. How long have you been employed with the Department of Environmental
14 Regulation and in what capacity?

15 A. I have worked at the FDER for 7 years and am now an Environmental
16 Supervisor II.

17 Q. What are your general responsibilities at the Department of
18 Environmental Regulation.

19 A. My responsibilities are to ensure that public water systems are in
20 compliance with Florida's potable drinking water rules (Chapter 17-550,
21 Florida Administrative Code).

22 Q. Are you familiar with Southern States Utilities, Inc's Citrus Park and
23 Salt Springs water systems in Marion County?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. Are the utility's treatment facilities and distribution system

1 sufficient to serve its present customers?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. Does the utility maintain the 20 psi minimum pressure throughout the
4 distribution system as required by Section 17-555.350, Florida Administrative
5 Code?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. Does the utility have an adequate auxiliary power source in the event
8 of a power outage for these systems?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. Are the utility's water wells in a location which complies Section 17-
11 555.312, Florida Administrative Code?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. Does the utility have certified operators as required by Chapter 17-602,
14 Florida Administrative Code?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. Has the utility established a cross-connection control program in
17 accordance with Section 17-555.360, Florida Administrative Code?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. Is the overall maintenance of the treatment plant and distribution
20 facilities satisfactory?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. Does the water produced by the utility meet the State and Federal
23 maximum contaminant levels for primary and secondary water quality standards?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. Does the utility monitor the organic contaminants listed in Section 17-

1 | 550.410, Florida Administrative Code?

2 | A. Yes.

3 | Q. Do recent chemical analysis of raw and finished water, when compared to
4 | regulations, suggest the need for additional treatment?

5 | A. No.

6 | Q. Does the utility maintain the required chlorine residual or its
7 | equivalent throughout the distribution system?

8 | A. Yes.

9 | Q. Are the plant and distribution systems in compliance with all the other
10 | provisions of Chapter 17 Florida Administrative Code, not previously
11 | mentioned?

12 | A. Yes.

13 | Q. Have any of these water systems been the subject of any Department of
14 | Environmental Regulation enforcement action within the past two years?

15 | A. Yes.

16 | Q. Are you familiar with Southern States Utilities, Inc. Daetwyler Shores,
17 | Lake Conway Park, and Westmont water systems in Orange County?

18 | A. Yes.

19 | Q. Does SSU resell water from the Orlando Utilities Commission for the
20 | above systems in Orange County?

21 | A. Yes.

22 | Q. Is the distribution system sufficient to serve the present customers?

23 | A. Yes.

24 | Q. Does SSU meet all other applicable requirements of Ch. 17 of the Florida
25 | Administrative Code for these three systems?

1 | A. Yes.

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3 | Q. Have any of these systems been the subject of Department of
4 | Environmental Regulation enforcement action within the past two years?

5 | A. Yes. SSU failed to submit sufficient numbers of satisfactory monthly
6 | bacteriological tests at the Westmont system. The utility paid a fine and the
7 | case was closed on 4/22/91.

8 | Q. Do you have anything further to add?

9 | A. No.

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