TESTIMONY OF HOSSEIN KADIVAR DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATION

FILED ON BEHALF OF
THE STAFF OF THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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SYSTEMS: CARLTON VILLAGE, FERN TERRACE, FRIENDLY CENTER, GRAND TERRACE, HOBBY HILLS, IMPERIAL MOBILE TERRACE, PICCIOLA ISLAND, PINEY WOODS, QUAIL RIDGE, SILVER LAKE ESTATES, AND SKYCREST WATER

COUNTY: LAKE

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DIRECT TESTIMONY OF HOSSEIN KADIVAR

- 2 Q. Please state your name and business address.
- 3 A. My name is Hossein "Nick" Kadivar. My address is 3319 Maguire Blvd.,
- 4 | Suite 232, Orlando, Florida 32803-3767.
- 5 Q. Please state a brief description of your educational background and
- 6 experience.

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- 7 A. I received a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from the
- 8 University of Central Florida in 1983. I have 6 years of engineering
- 9 experience in the structural and environmental engineering field.
- 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 FDER?
- 14 A. I have been employed with the FDER for 20 Months as an engineer in the
- 15 potable water program.
- 16 Q. What are your general responsibilities at the Department of
- 17 | Environmental Regulation?
- 18 A. My responsibilities include conducting sanitary surveys and
- 19 compliance inspections of public water systems regulated by the FDER. I also
- 20 | conduct enforcement meetings.
- 21 Q. Are you familiar with the following Southern States Utilities, Inc.
- 22 | water systems in Lake County: Carlton Village, Fern Terrace, Friendly Center,
- 23 | Grand Terrace, Hobby Hills, Imperial Mobile Terrace, Picciola Island, Piney
- 24 | Woods, Quail Ridge, Silver Lake Estates, and Skycrest?
- 25 A. Yes. At Quail Ridge, however, my responses will be based on a sanitary

- I | survey conducted by Gary Miller on 1/8/91.
- Q. Are the treatment facilities and distribution systems for these water
 3 systems sufficient to serve its present customers?
- 4 A. Yes. A second well is required at Fern Terrace, however, since FDER 5 rules require that utilities provide 2 wells if they serve over 350 people.
- Q. Does the utility maintain the 20 psi minimum pressure throughout the distribution system as required by Section 17-555.350, Florida Administrative
- 8 | Code?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 | Q. Does the utility have an adequate auxiliary power source in the event
- 11 of a power outage?
- 12 A. Yes. The following systems do not need an auxiliary power source since
- 13 the population is less than 350 people: Skycrest, Friendly Center, Grand
- 14 Terrace, Hobby Hills, and Quail Ridge.
- 15 Q. Are the utility's water wells in a location which complies Section
- 16 17-555.312, Florida Administrative Code?
- 17 A. Yes, except for the well at Friendly Center. A retention pond is less
- 18 than 100 feet from the well but the FDER has accepted this distance.
- 19 Q. Does the utility have certified operators as required by Chapter 17-602,
- 20 Florida Administrative Code?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. Has the utility established a cross-connection control program in
- 23 accordance with Section 17-555.360, Florida Administrative Code?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. Is the overall maintenance of the treatment plant and distribution

- 1 | facilities satisfactory?
- 2 | A. Yes.
- 3 Q. Does the water produced by the utility meet the State and Federal
- 4 maximum contaminant levels for primary and secondary water quality standards?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. Does the utility monitor the organic contaminants listed in Section
- 7 | 17-550.410, Florida Administrative Code?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Do recent chemical analyses of raw and finished water, when compared
- 10 to regulations, suggest the need for additional treatment?
- 11 A. No.
- 12 Q. Does the utility maintain the required chlorine residual or its
- 13 equivalent throughout the distribution system?
- 14 | A. Yes.
- 15 Q. Are the plant and distribution systems in compliance with all the other
- 16 provisions of Chapter 17 Florida Administrative Code, not previously
- 17 | mentioned?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Have any of these water systems been the subject of any Department of
- 20 | Environmental Regulation enforcement action within the past two years?
- 21 | A. Yes.
- 22 At Carlton Village, SSU refurbished one of the wells without first
- 23 obtaining a permit and then placed it into service without a clearance. A
- 24 consent order is being drafted for utility's review and signature.
- At Fern Terrace, a consent order is being drafted for SSU's review which

requires SSU to provide a second well. As I mentioned previously, a second well is required since they are serving more than 350 people.

At Silver Lake Estates, SSU did not get a clearance for the Ocklawaha Drive Extension which was connected to this distribution system (Permit WD35206683, issued 4/5/92). A consent order is being drafted for SSU's review.

- Q. Do you have anything further to add?
- A. No.