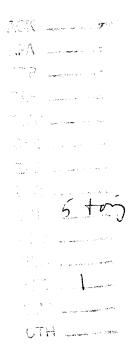


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WITNESS: Direct Testimony of Peter Screneck, Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Appearing on Behalf of the Staff of the Florida Public Service Commission

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1	DIRECT TESTIMONY OF PETER SCRENECK
2	Q. Please state your name and business address.
3	A. Peter Screneck. Department of Environmental Protection, 3804 Coconut
4	Palm Drive.
5	Q. Please state a brief description of your educational background and
6	experience.
7	A. I received a Bachelor of Science degree in from Ramapo College of N.J.
8	in 1985. I have approximately 8 years as a water/wastewater plant operator
9	for both utilities and contract operations.
10	Q. By whom are you presently employed?
11	A. I am employed by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection
12	(FDEP).
13	Q. How long have you been employed with the FDEP and in what capacity?
14	A. Four and a half years in the drinking water program
15	compliance/enforcement section.
16	Q. What are your general responsibilities at the FDEP?
17	A. I perform inspections of water systems, report findings, review all
18	chemical/bacteriological results, determine their compliance with required
19	monitoring schedules as set forth in Rule 62-550, Florida Administrative Code
20	and educate owners as to testing due or plant problems which need correction
21	in order to maintain compliance.
22	Q. Are you familiar with the Southern States Utilities, Inc. water systems
23	located in the Southwest District?
24	A. Yes, in Marion County.
25	Q. Were these systems inspected by you, or by FDEP staff under your

1 | supervision?

I inspected systems in the Southwest District, Marion County (West of 2 Α. I-75). 3 4 Marion Oaks Water System 5 Does the utility have a current construction permit from the FDEP for 0. Marion Oaks Water System (Marion Oaks)? 6 7 Α. Yes. Are the utility's treatment facilities and distribution system 8 0. sufficient to serve its present customers? 9 10 Α. Yes. Does the utility maintain the required 20 psi minimum pressure 11 0. 12 throughout the distribution system? 13 Α. Yes. 14 Q. Does the utility have an adequate auxiliary power source in the event 15 of a power outage? 16 Α. Yes. 17 Are the utility's water wells for Marion Oaks located in compliance with Q. Rule 62-555. Florida Administrative Code? 18 19 Α. Yes. 20 Q. Does the Marion Oaks have certified operators as required by Rule 61E12-21 41, Florida Administrative Code? Yes. 22 Α. 23 Q. Has the utility established a cross-connection control program in accordance with Rule 62-555.360, Florida Administrative Code? 24 25 Α. Yes.

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

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. Does the water produced by the utility meet the State and Federal
5 maximum contaminant levels for primary and secondary water quality standards?
6 A. Yes.

7 Q. Does Marion Oaks monitor the organic contaminants listed in Rule
8 62-550.410, Florida Administrative Code?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. Do recent chemical analyses of raw and finished water, when compared to11 regulations, suggest the need for additional treatment?

12 A. No.

13 Q. Does the utility maintain the required chlorine residual or its 14 equivalent throughout the distribution system?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. Are the plant and distribution systems in compliance with all the other 17 provisions of Chapter 62, Florida Administrative Code, not previously 18 mentioned?

19 A. Yes.

Q. Has Marion Oaks been the subject of any FDEP enforcement action withinthe past two years?

22Samira Villas Water System23Q. Does the utility have a current construction permit from the FDEP for

24 | Samira Villas Water System (Samira Villas)?

25 A. No.

Q. Are the utility's treatment facilities and distribution system
 sufficient to serve its present customers?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. Does the utility maintain the required 20 psi minimum pressure5 throughout the distribution system?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. Does the utility have an adequate auxiliary power source in the event8 of a power outage?

9 A. No. Auxiliary power not required for a system this small.

10 Q. Are the utility's water wells for Samira Villas located in compliance
11 with Rule 62-555, Florida Administrative Code?

12 A. Yes.

Q. Does the utility have certified operators as required by Rule 61E12-41,
Florida Administrative Code?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. Has the utility established a cross-connection control program in 17 accordance with Rule 62-555.360, Florida Administrative Code?

18 A. A cross-connection control plan not required of a system this size.

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

21 A. Yes.

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

25 Q. Does the utility monitor the organic contaminants listed in Rule

1 62-550.410, Florida Administrative Code?

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2	A. Samira Villas is exempt from this test because the system is too small.
3	Q. Do recent chemical analyses 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 62, Florida Administrative Code, not previously
11	mentioned?
12	A. Yes.
13	Q. Has Samira Villas been the subject of any FDEP enforcement action within
14	the past two years?
15	A. No.
16	Q. Do you have anything further to add?
17	A. No, I do not.
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