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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Application for rate increase for Orange-
Osceola Utilities, Inc. in Osceola County,)
and in Bradford, Brevard, Charlotte, Citrus, Clay,)
Collier, Duval, Highlands, Lake, Lee, Marion,)
Martin, Nassau, Orange, Osceola, Pasco, Putnam,)
Seminole, St. Johns, St. Lucie, Volusia, and)
Washington Counties, by Southern States)
Utilities, Inc.)

DOCKET NO. 950495-WS
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PETITION OF CITRUS PARK
HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE

The Citrus Park Homeowners Association, by and through its undersigned attorney, pursuant to Section 120.53, Florida Statutes, and Rules 25-22.036(7)(a) and 25-22.039, Florida Administrative Code, petitions for leave to intervene in the above-styled proceeding, and in support thereof states:

- 1. The name and address of petitioner is as follows:

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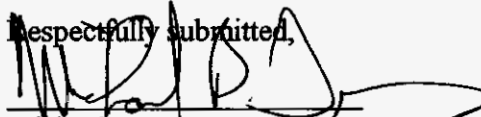
- 2. The Citrus Park Homeowners Association is an association of residents of the Citrus Park community representing some 208 residences in Marion County, Florida. Members of the Citrus Park Homeowners Association take their regulated water and wastewater service from Southern States Utilities, Inc.'s ("SSU") Citrus Park water and wastewater plants, which are located solely in Marion

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County, Florida. In the above-styled docket SSU has requested a permanent increase in its annual revenues exceeding \$18.1 million and an interim revenue increase exceeding \$12 million on an annual basis. The Florida Public Service Commission ("PSC") is vested with the statutory authority and responsibility for setting "fair, just and reasonable" rates for SSU and its customers in this docket. SSU's rate petition requests that the sought-after revenue increases be applied to numerous SSU systems in Florida, specifically including the water and wastewater plants serving the members of the Citrus Park Homeowners Association. Accordingly, the Citrus Park Homeowners Association and its members are persons "whose substantial interests are being determined in [this] proceeding" within the definition of Section 120.52(12), Florida Statutes, and who are per se entitled to status as "parties" in this proceeding.

WHEREFORE, the Citrus Park Homeowners Association requests (a) that it be granted leave to intervene and be permitted to participate in this proceeding with full rights as a party, (2) that the Order Granting Intervention direct SSU to immediately serve the Citrus Park Homeowners Association with a full and complete copy of its petition, testimony and all supporting documentation filed with the PSC, its staff and other parties, and (3) that PSC staff and other parties to this case be directed to serve upon the Citrus Park Homeowners Association copies of all documents either filed with the PSC or served upon other parties up to, and including, the date of the Order Granting Intervention.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and accurate copy of the foregoing has been furnished by

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