

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Request by Southern States Utilities, Inc. for an additional 60 days (beyond the 90-day requirement in Order No. 20140, dated 10/10/88) to complete advertising and file for amendment of Certificates Nos. 209-W and 154-S in Pasco County.)	DOCKET NO. 890202-WS
)	ORDER NO. 20926
)	ISSUED: 3-23-89

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

MICHAEL McK. WILSON, Chairman
 THOMAS M. BEARD
 BETTY EASLEY
 GERALD L. GUNTER
 JOHN T. HERNDON

ORDER GRANTING EXTENSION OF TIME

BY THE COMMISSION:

Background

On March 24, 1988, this Commission received an application seeking approval of the transfer of assets from C. L. Smith Utilities, Inc. and Ell-Nar Utilities Corporation to Southern States Utilities, Inc. The transfer was assigned Docket No. 880472-Ws and was considered at the September 20, 1988 agenda conference. Order No. 20140 was issued on October 10, 1988 as a result of action taken at that agenda conference.

During the review of the application, the Commission became aware of a discrepancy in Ell-Nar's certificated service territory. The review revealed that Ell-Nar was serving more territory than we had granted to it. In order to correct the error, Order No. 20140 directed Southern States to file an application for extension of service territory within 90 days of the effective date of Order No. 20140.

By letter dated January 27, 1989, Southern States requested a 60-day extension of time in which to file its application. In its request, Southern States stated that it was unable to meet the 90-day deadline because it received the legal description of the additional territory from the Commission Staff in the middle of November and because of holidays and vacations, the matter did not receive the immediate attention it needed.

Since the discrepancy occurred prior to Southern States' purchasing the system and since Southern States is proceeding with the noticing requirements of Rule 25-30.030, Florida Administrative Code, in an effort to comply with Order No. 20140, we find it appropriate to grant Southern States the 60-day extension.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that Southern States Utilities, Inc., 1000 Color Place, Apopka, Florida, is hereby granted an extension of 60 days from January 27, 1989, the date of its request for an extension, in which to

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file its application for amendment of its certificates to include the additional territory served by Ell-Nar. It is further

ORDERED that Docket No. 890202-WS shall remain open to process Southern States' application for amendment of service territory.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission,
this 23rd day of MARCH, 1989.



STEVE TRIBBLE, Director
Division of Records and Reporting

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