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Sincerely,

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Blanca S. Bayo, Director Division of Records and Reporting Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re: Docket No. 950495-WS

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced docket are the original and 15 copies of Citizens' Motion to Reestablish Official Filing Date.

Please indicate the time and date of receipt on the enclosed duplicate of this letter and return it to our office.

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Application for a 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 Filed: December 18, 1995

MOTION TO REESTABLISH OFFICIAL FILING DATE

Florida's Citizens ("Citizens"), by and through Jack Shreve, Public Counsel, move the Florida Public Service Commission ("Commission") to reestablish the official filing date in this case.

- 1. During the month of August, 1995, the Director of the Division of Water and Wastewater determined the official filing date in this case to be August 2, 1995.
- 2. By letter from Kenneth A. Hoffman to the Director of the Division of Records and Reporting dated November 13, 1995, Southern States Utilities, Inc. ("Southern States") forwarded and filed 39 supplemental volumes of Minimum Filing Requirements ("MFRs").

- 3. Because Southern States decided to file these additional 39 volumes of MFRs after the determination of the official filing date, the official filing date must now be changed to no earlier than November 13, 1995.
- 4. Rule 25-30.025, Florida Administrative Code, defines "official date of filing" as the date on which the Director of the Division of Water and Wastewater determines the utility has filed complete sets of the minimum filing requirements. Obviously, the director did not know at that time that the minimum filing requirements were not complete. Southern States did not file the 39 additional volumes until November 13, 1995. Now that Southern States supplemented the MFRs with 39 additional volumes, the official filing date must be changed to a date no earlier than the date of this supplemental filing.

5. The parties and the Commission are entitled to have the complete case filing of a utility on or before the official filing date. The Commission should reestablish the official filing date in this case to a date no earlier than November 13, 1995.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE DOCKET NO. 950495-WS

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished by U.S. Mail or hand-delivery* to the following parties on this 18th day of December, 1995.

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