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HAND DELIVERY

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

RE: Docket No. ~~96~~329-WS
Application of GULF UTILITY COMPANY for
an increase in Wastewater Rates, approval of a decrease in
Water Rates and approval of Service Availability Charges in Lee
County, Florida

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing are an original and fifteen copies of Gulf Utility Company's Affidavit of mailing the Notice to Reuse Customers, in reference to the above docket.

Please acknowledge receipt of the foregoing by stamping the enclosed extra copy of this letter and returning same to my attention. Thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

B. Kenneth Gatlin

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Gulf Utility Company

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Application for increase in rates) Docket No. 951056 WS
and service availability charges in Lee)
County by GULF UTILITY COMPANY)

AFFIDAVIT

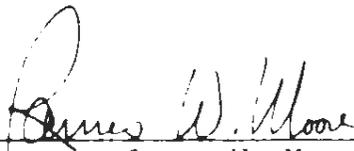
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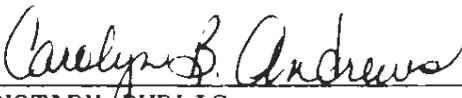
BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, duly authorized by law to administer oaths and to take acknowledgements, on this day personally appeared James W. Moore, who after being duly sworn on oath, deposes and says:

1. That the Affiant has personal knowledge of the matters set forth herein;
2. That on December 2, 1996, a copy of the Notice attached hereto was sent by regular U.S. Mail to all reuse customers of record within the service areas of Gulf Utility Company.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.


 By: _____
 James W. Moore
 President

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE me this 2nd day of December, 1996.



 NOTARY PUBLIC
 State of Florida at large
 My Commission Expires:
 July 30, 1997

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NOTICE TO REUSE CUSTOMERS

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Rule 25-22.0407, Florida Administrative Code, that Gulf Utility Company has applied to the Florida Public Service Commission for approval of an increase in Wastewater Rates, approval of a decrease in Water Rates and approval of changes in Service Availability Charges in Lee County.

The changes in rates and fees will permit the utility to recover the reasonable and prudent costs of providing service and an opportunity to earn a fair and reasonable rate of return.

Reuse customers may be subject to a reuse rate if the Commission directs the Utility to charge for reuse. Gulf Utility Company has not requested any reuse rate for this case.

CASE SCHEDULE

The following dates have been established to govern the key activities of this case:

1.	Agenda Conference on Interim Rates (Tallahassee)	10/08/96
2.	Order on Interim Rates	10/28/96
3.	Intervenor Testimony Due	12/20/96
4.	Staff Testimony Due	01/06/97
5.	Prehearing Statements Due	01/13/97
6.	Prehearing Conference (Tallahassee)	01/22/97
7.	Rebuttal Testimony Due	01/17/97
8.	Issuance of Prehearing Order	01/31/97
9.	Hearing	02/6-7/97
10.	Briefs Due	02/26/97
11.	Staff Recommendation on Final Rates	04/03/97
12.	Agenda Conference on Final Rates	04/15/97
13.	Commission Order on Final Rates	05/05/97

This schedule is tentative and subject to change by the Commission.

A copy of the application, minimum filing requirements and synopsis are available for inspection at the Utility's office as follows:

Gulf Utility Company
19910 S. Tamiami Trail
Estero, Florida 33928
Telephone: (941) 498-1000
Business Hours: 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Monday through Friday

Written comments concerning the utility's service or the proposed rate increase should be addressed to the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, Florida Public Service Commission, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, and should reference Docket No. 960329-WS. Complaints regarding service may be made to the Commission's Division of Consumer Affairs at the following toll-free number: 1-800-342-3552.

The Commission will be reviewing the utility's service availability charges in the pending rate case and may adjust those charges.

NOTICE issuance date: December 2, 1996.