

VOTE SHEET

DATE: January 7, 1997

RE: DOCKET NO. 950495-WS - Application for rate increase and increase in service availability charges by Southern States Utilities, Inc. 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.

Issue 1: Recommendation that the Commission grant SSU's motion to stay the refund of interim rates pending appeal. According to the Commission's rules, when an order involves a refund, the Commission must impose a stay if requested by the utility.

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COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: Full Commission

COMMISSIONERS' SIGNATURES

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REMARKS/DISSENTING COMMENTS:

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Issue 2: Recommendation that the Commission deny SSU's motion to stay the reduction to AFPI charges pending refund of interim rates pending appeal. SSU's request for a partial stay exceeds the purpose of a stay. Issues regarding the calculation of AFPI charges are more appropriately addressed on reconsideration. However, the utility should advise any customer who requests a connection during the pendency of the appeal that the AFPI charges are the subject of a pending appeal, and may increase or decrease.

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Issue 3: Recommendation that SSU's request to release or modify its current bond securing any potential interim refund be denied. SSU's bond securing any potential interim refund should not be released or modified. Therefore, the current bond should be renewed on or before January 8, 1997, the date of expiration. Further, pursuant to Rule 25-30.360(6), F.A.C., SSU should continue to provide a report by the 20th of each month indicating the total amount of money subject to refund and the status of the security.

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