

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING  
FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
DOCKET NO. 981104-EU

RULE TITLE: Measuring Customer Service  
RULE NO.: 25-6.049

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: Clarifies that Rule 25-6.049(5)(a) on allows pre-1981 buildings to be master-metered that are not currently individually metered.

SUMMARY: Individual electric meters are not required for each separate occupancy unit of listed entities for which construction commenced before January 1, 1981 and which are not now individually metered.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COST: Preparation of a SERC was found to be unnecessary.

Any person who wishes to provide information regarding the statement of estimated regulatory costs, or to provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative must do so in writing within 21 days of this notice.

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SPECIFIC AUTHORITY 366.05(1), FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED 366.05(3), FS

WRITTEN COMMENTS OR SUGGESTIONS ON THE PROPOSED RULE MAY BE

SUBMITTED TO THE FPSC, DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING, WITHIN

21 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE FOR INCLUSION IN THE RECORD OF

THE PROCEEDING.

IF REQUESTED WITHIN 21 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE, A HEARING

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WILL BE HELD AT THE TIME, DATE, AND PLACE SHOWN BELOW: (IF NOT REQUESTED, THIS HEARING WILL NOT BE HELD):

TIME AND DATE: 9:30 A.M., March 15, 1999

PLACE: Room 148, Betty Easley Conference Center, 4075 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee, Florida.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

Director of Appeals, Florida Public Service Commission, 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd., Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0862, (850) 413-6245.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

25-6.049 Measuring Customer Service.

(1)- (4) No Change.

(5)(a) Individual electric metering by the utility shall be required for each separate occupancy unit of ~~new~~ commercial establishments, residential buildings, condominiums, cooperatives, marinas, and trailer, mobile home and recreational vehicle parks ~~for which construction is commenced after January 1, 1981~~. Individual electric meters shall not, however, be required:

1. For each separate occupancy unit of commercial establishments, residential buildings, condominiums, cooperatives, marinas, and trailer, mobile home and recreational vehicle parks for which construction commenced prior to January 1, 1981 and which are not currently individually metered.

21. In those portions of a commercial establishment where the floor space dimensions or physical configuration of the units are subject to alteration, as evidenced by non-structural element partition walls, unless the utility determines that adequate provisions can be made to modify the metering to accurately reflect such alterations;

32. For electricity used in central heating, ventilating and air conditioning systems, or electric back up service to storage heating and cooling systems;

43. For electricity used in specialized-use housing accommodations such as hospitals, nursing homes, living facilities located on the same premises as, and operated in conjunction with, a nursing home or other health care facility providing at least the same level and types of services as a nursing home, convalescent homes, facilities certificated under Chapter 651, Florida Statutes, college dormitories, convents, sorority houses, fraternity houses, motels, hotels, and similar facilities;

54. For separate, specially-designated areas for overnight occupancy at trailer, mobile home and recreational vehicle parks and marinas where permanent residency is not established.

65. For new and existing time-share plans, provided that all of the occupancy units which are served by the master meter or meters are committed to a time-share plan as defined in

Section 721, Florida Statutes, and none of the occupancy units are used for permanent occupancy. When a time-share plan is converted from individual metering to master metering, the customer must reimburse the utility for the costs incurred by the utility for the conversion. These costs shall include, but not be limited to, the undepreciated cost of any existing distribution equipment which is removed or transferred to the ownership of the customer, plus the cost of removal or relocation of any distribution equipment, less the salvage value of any removed equipment.

(b) No Change.

1. - (7) No Change.

Specific Authority 366.05(1), FS.

Law Implemented 366.05(3), FS.

History--Amended 7-29-69, 11-26-80, 12-23-82, 12-28-83, Formerly 25-6.49, Amended 7-14-87, 10-5-88, 3-23-97,\_\_\_\_\_.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Reese Goad

NAME OF SUPERVISOR OR PERSONS WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE:

Florida Public Service Commission.

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED: February 2, 1999

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAW:

October 30, 1998

If any person decides to appeal any decision of the Commission with respect to any matter considered at the rulemaking hearing,

if held, a record of the hearing is necessary. The appellant must ensure that a verbatim record, including testimony and evidence forming the basis of the appeal is made. The Commission usually makes a verbatim record of rulemaking hearings.

Any person requiring some accommodation at this hearing because of a physical impairment should call the Division of Records and Reporting at (850) 413-6770 at least 48 hours prior to the hearing. Any person who is hearing or speech impaired should contact the Florida Public Service Commission by using the Florida Relay Service, which can be reached at: 1-800-955-8771 (TDD).