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DATE: October 18, 1999

TO: DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING (WILLIAMS)

FROM: DIVISION OF AUDITING AND FINANCIAL ANALYSIS (FREEMAN,

VANDIVER) (

RE: DOCKET 990000-PU, DOCUMENT NUMBER 09530-99, WORKING PAPERS

PREPARED DURING THE SURVEILLANCE AUDIT OF FLORIDA PUBLIC

UTILITY COMPANY (FPU) FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1998

On August 11, 1999, staff filed document 09530-99 consisting of staff working papers (Volume V) prepared during the surveillance audit of Florida Public Utilities Company for the 12 month period ended December 31, 1998. The utility requested at the August 6, 1999 audit exit conference that certain staff working papers be temporarily exempted from public access pursuant to Rule 22.006 (3)(a)(2), Florida Administrative Code (FAC).

More than twenty-one days have passed since the exit conference, and the utility has not filed a request for confidential classification. Accordingly pursuant to Rule 25-22.006(3)(a)(2), FAC, we recommend that the failure to file a request constitutes a waiver of confidentiality and that the audit working papers, Document No. 09530-99, be declassified and returned to the Division of Auditing and Financial Analysis.

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