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Dear Ms. Bayó:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of Florida Public Utilities are an original and fifteen copies of FPU's Petition to Modify Demand Side Management Plan.

Please acknowledge receipt of this letter by stamping the extra copy of this letter "filed" and returning the same to me.

Thank you for your assistance with this filing.

Sincerely yours,



Norman H. Horton, Jr.

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition by FPU to discontinue)
offering Good Cents Loan Program)
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Docket No.:
Filed: September 11, 2002

PETITION TO MODIFY DEMAND SIDE MANAGEMENT PLAN

Comes now Florida Public Utilities (“FPU”) and files this petition to modify its Demand Side Management Plan (“DSM Plan”) by removing therefrom the Good Cents Loan Program.

As basis therefor, FPU would show:

1. The Company is a electric utility company within the jurisdiction of this Commission. Its principal business address is:

401 South Dixie Highway
West Palm Beach, FL 33401

2. The name and address of the person authorized to receive notices and communications with respect to this Petition are:

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3. Order No. PSC-00-1029-PAA-EG, issued May 24, 2000, approved proposed conservation goals for FPU for the period 2001 through 2010. Subsequently, in Order PSC-01-2026-PAA-EG, the Commission approved the DSM Plan filed by FPU designed to meet the goals previously filed by FPU. The DSM plan filed by FPU contained a detailed description of the programs offered by FPU including a discussion of participation and eligibility requirements, details for processing rebates, technical specifications and reporting requirements for each program.

4. One of the programs proposed by FPU and included in the DSM Plan is the Good Cents Loan Program. This program is intended to encourage residential customers to install energy conservation features in their homes by providing financing for the installation. The loans are arranged through financial institutions and generally made directly to the owner of the property. Although FPU has had customers to avail themselves of this program in the past, the costs associated with the financing arrangements and reduced participation by financial institutions, have reduced participation and continued offering of this program would not be in the best interests of the company or its customers. Accordingly FPU requests that the Commission approve the removal of the Good Cents Loan Program from the DSM Plan programs offered by FPU.


5. FPU does not anticipate that the removal of the loan program from its conservation plan will affect the ability of FPU to achieve the cumulative goals approved in Order PSC-00-1029-PAA-EG. The company will continue to offer the other programs which have been approved by the Commission and described in the DSM Plan and the cumulative goals can be met utilizing these programs.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons given, FPU requests the Commission approve the request to remove the Good Cents Loan Program from the DSM Plan.

DATED this 11th day of September, 2002.

Respectfully submitted,

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