

# Alabama Public Service Commission

## Orders

**ALABAMA POWER COMPANY,**

**DOCKET 24860**

**Petitioner**

### ORDER SUSPENDING RATES

#### **BY THE COMMISSION:**

By order dated June 12, 1995, the Commission accepted the filing by Alabama Power Company ("Company") of a Class Return Equalization Adjustment Rate ("Rate CREA") applicable to its residential and non-residential retail rate schedules. The purpose of this rate rider is to gradually address differences in the overall return on investment between these rate groups and thereby move the rates in each such group toward parity.

On November 15, 1999, the Company submitted a proposed rate package in accordance with Rate CREA and the Commission's June 12, 1995 order. The filing reflects revisions to all residential rate schedules (Rates FD, FDE and FDT) and to certain non-residential rate schedules (Rates ASL, BEVT, CFTU, FMTU, FOOD-M, GROC-M, HCARE-L, HCARE-M, ILD, LODGE-L, LODGE-M, LPEM, LPLM, LPM, LPTL, LPTM, LPTS, PMTU, PULP, RETL-L, RETL-M, RTP, RTPD, RTPH, SCGTU, SCH, TST, and TXTU and Rate Riders CTD, MA and ML). In addition, the Company's filing removes Rate HOSP-M and limits the applicability of Rate ILTU to existing customers presently served under that rate.

The Commission is currently considering the cost to serve different rate classes and other issues in its investigation of restructuring the electric utility industry in Docket 26427. A number of interested parties have submitted comments on those issues and those comments are currently being studied by the Commission and its Staff. Under these circumstances, the Commission does not believe that the January 1, 2000 adjustment contemplated by Rate CREA should occur until the proceeding in Docket 26427 is final.

Upon review of the proposed rate schedules and further consideration of the Commission's June 12, 1995 order in this docket, the Commission suspends the operation of Rate CREA for the adjustment in rates to be effective January 1, 2000. During the period of suspension, the Commission Staff shall study the cost of service of different rate classes and report its findings to the Commission.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED BY THE COMMISSION, That the revisions to the residential and non-residential rate schedules filed by the Company are hereby suspended until further notice.

DATED at Montgomery, Alabama this 17th day of December, 1999.

ALABAMA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Jim Sullivan, President

Jan Cook, Commissioner

George C. Wallace, Jr., Commissioner

ATTEST: A True Copy

Walter L. Thomas, Jr., Secretary

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