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**ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES NOTICE FILING**

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Short explanation of rule/amendment/repeal and reason(s) for proposing rule/amendment/repeal: Rule 8A is amended to require utilities to provide in its disconnection notice a date on or after discontinuance of service may occur, and a requirement to reconnect the next business day after payment, as well as not allowing disconnections on Saturday, Sunday, or holidays with an exception. Rule 8B is amended to allow residential ratepayers the ability to negotiate a deferred payment plan to avoid disconnection and avoid disconnection if a customer is awaiting LIHEAP benefits. Rule 8 is amended to include a subsection F which provides exceptions to utility service cutoffs for life threatening situations and extreme temperature.

Specific legal authority authorizing the promulgation of rule: Miss. Code Ann. §§ 77-3-45

List all rules repealed, amended, or suspended by the proposed rule: Rule 8

**ORAL PROCEEDING:**

An oral proceeding is scheduled for this rule on Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Place: \_\_\_\_\_

Presently, an oral proceeding is not scheduled on this rule.

If an oral proceeding is not scheduled, an oral proceeding must be held if a written request for an oral proceeding is submitted by a political subdivision, an agency or ten (10) or more persons. The written request should be submitted to the agency contact person at the above address within twenty (20) days after the filing of this notice of proposed rule adoption and should include the name, address, email address, and telephone number of the person(s) making the request; and, if you are an agent or attorney, the name, address, email address, and telephone number of the party or parties you represent. At any time within the twenty-five (25) day public comment period, written submissions including arguments, data, and views on the proposed rule/amendment/repeal may be submitted to the filing agency.

**ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT:**

Economic impact statement not required for this rule.  Concise summary of economic impact statement attached.

TEMPORARY RULES	PROPOSED ACTION ON RULES	FINAL ACTION ON RULES
<input type="checkbox"/> Original filing <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal of effectiveness To be in effect in _____ days Effective date: <input type="checkbox"/> Immediately upon filing <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify): _____	<b>Action proposed:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> New rule(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Amendment to existing rule(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Repeal of existing rule(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Adoption by reference <b>Proposed final effective date:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> 30 days after filing <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify): _____	<b>Date Proposed Rule Filed: 8-3-2010</b> <b>Action taken:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Adopted with no changes in text <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted with changes <input type="checkbox"/> Adopted by reference <input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn <input type="checkbox"/> Repeal adopted as proposed <b>Effective date:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 30 days after filing <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify): _____

Printed name and Title of person authorized to file rules: William Jeffrey Jernigan

Signature of person authorized to file rules: \_\_\_\_\_

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