NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Department of Corrections has issued a response to a Petition to Initiate Rulemaking from Paulette Ximines. The Petitioner requested that the Department of Corrections amend Rule 33-401.401, Florida Administrative Code, to ban all tobacco products from Department facilities.

The Department denied Inmate Ximines' Petition to Initiate Rulemaking. The current Rule regarding the sale and use of tobacco products is in compliance with state law. The Rule was specifically designed to reduce the danger of second hand smoke by prohibiting the use of tobacco products indoors.

A copy of the Order may be obtained from: Giselle Lylen Rivera, Assistant General Counsel, Department of Corrections, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2500.

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Electrical Contractors' Licensing Board has received a Petition for Declaratory Statement of Chapter 489.511, F.S. and Rule 61G6-7.001(4), Florida Administrative Code, which was filed August 21, 2000 by Paul C. Bishop, d/b/a The Bishop Group, Inc. Petitioner requests a declaratory statement from the Board regarding his right to install air blown fiber without a low energy systems license.

The Board will address this matter at its regularly scheduled board meeting that will be held November 15, 2000, 10:00 a.m., Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Northwood Centre, 1940 N. Monroe Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399.

A copy of the Petition for Declaratory Statement may be obtained by writing: Anthony Spivey, Electrical Contractors' Licensing Board, Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Northwood Centre, 1940 N. Monroe Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399.

Section VIII Notices of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding the Validity of Rules

Notice of Petition for Administrative Determination has been filed with the Division of Administrative Hearings on the following rules:

South Broward Hospital District, d/b/a Memorial Hospital West vs. Agency for Health Care Administration; Rule No.: 59C-1.005; Case No.: 00-3906RP

Naples Community Hospital, Inc. vs. Agency for Health Care Administration; Rule No.: 59C-1.005(6)(e); Case No.: 00-3922RP

Manuel Fernandez, M.D. vs. Department of Health, Board of Medicine; Case No.: 00-1253RU

City of Winter Park, City of Maitland, and Town of Eatonville vs. Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Orlando Urban Area and Department of Transportation; Case No.: 98-2951RU

Notice of Disposition of Petition for Administrative Determination have been filed by the Division of Administrative Hearings on the following rules:

Clifford H. Paxson vs. Department of Insurance, Division of State Fire Marshal; Rule No.: 4A-62.003; Case No.: 00-3799RP; Dismissed

Manuel Fernandez, M.D. vs. Department of Health, Board of Medicine; Case No.: 00-1253RU; Dismissed

City of Winter Park, City of Maitland, and Town of Eatonville vs. Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Orlando Urban Area and Department of Transportation; Case No.: 98-2951RU; Dismissed

Section IX Notices of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Non-rule Policy Challenges

NONE

Section X
Announcements and Objection Reports of the Joint Administrative Procedures
Committee

NONE