



## NEWS BRIEFS and UPDATE

### POWER COMPANIES FAIL TO SETTLE ON LINE USE

At press time the Florida Keys Electric Co-op and City Electric Service of Key West have failed to come to an agreement for CES to use the FKEC lines to tie into the Florida-Georgia power grid so Key Westers would be able to buy cheaper power and eliminate the costly operation of the old CES generating plant. Co-op execs say they had never included that possibility in their planning and construction and fear the present lines could not safely handle the load.

### KEYS HOUSING STARTS TOOK JUMP IN APRIL

A strong increase in housing starts was recorded in April with 91 new single

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