## BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

IN RE: Unbundling of Natural	)	DOCKET NO	.96 <del>075</del> -GU
Gas Services	)	FILED:	August 19, 1996

## PETITION BY THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE

The State of Florida Department of Management Services (DMS), pursuant to Rule 25-22.039, F.A.C., and Order No. PSC-96-0844-PCO-GU, respectfully requests that the Commission grant it intervention in this proceeding, and states as grounds:

1. The exact name of petitioner and the address of the principal place of business is:

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2. All notices, pleadings and orders should be directed to:

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3. Pursuant to Order No. PSC-96-0844-PCO-GU, the purpose of this proceeding is

To investigate the unbundling of gas services for all investor-owned gas utilities in the State of Florida. DMS, through its Division of Purchasing, has implemented the statewide Florida Natural Gas Procurement Program per an Executive Order issued by Governor Chiles in 1994. DMS currently purchases gas within the state and transports the gas to correctional institutions and other facilities of the state. DMS has an interest in this proceeding as it may have an impact on

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the gas service to present and impending governmental participants in the state's program, thereby substantially affecting their interests.

4. The interests of DMS and the program participants are not adequately represented by any other party to this proceeding. Additionally, DMS has actively participated in Commission proceedings in the past (see attached letter dated October 23, 1995, from DMS' consultant PLM Technologies, Inc.) and anticipates that its participation in this docket will aid the Commission by representing the interests of governmental program participants and, ultimately, the taxpayers of the State of Florida.

WHEREFORE, the Department of Management Services requests intervention in this docket.

DATED this 19 day of August, 1996.

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

## **DOCKET NO. 960725-GU**

I HERBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been sent by prepaid U. S. Mail to:

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Dear Mr. Jenkins:

I want to express my appreciation for the foresight and initiative that you and your staff have taken on the issue of natural gas unbundling and LDC restructuring through the recent workshop. Bringing the suppliers and consumer representatives together at the recent workshop was extremely helpful for both sides. PLM Technologies is in the process of assisting the Department of Management Services (DMS) with the implementation of its Natural Gas Procurement Program for all State facilities. A long term gas supply and transportation management contract has been awarded and we are in the process of making delivery and equipment conversion arrangements for the facilities of several State Agencies. PLM and DMS representatives are in contact with most natural gas suppliers and distributors on a regular basis. Although most gas utilities have indicated a willingness to cooperate and provide transportation to the State facilities, we have encountered a wide range of policy and tariff restrictions that delay implementation and delivery of State owned gas.

It was clear that all parties saw the opportunity to work together for their mutual benefit and public good in the months ahead. The FPSC can be very instrumental in guiding the process through a smooth transition. PLM is looking forward to simplified policies and procedures that will allow natural gas delivery arrangements to be implemented on a more timely basis for State facilities and other end-use consumers. We want to thank you and your staff for the opportunity presented by this workshop. These are challenging times and it is encouraging to see the FPSC taking a leadership role.

Very Truly Yours

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