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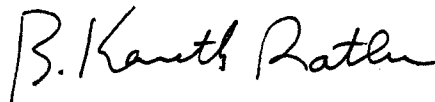
Re: Docket990003-Gu

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed on behalf of Chesapeake Utilities Corporation for filing in the above docket is an original and fifteen copies of the Direct Testimony of James A. Williams along with Exhibit JAW-1.

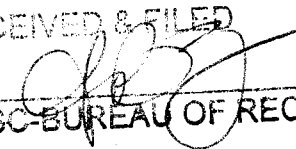
Please acknowledge receipt of the foregoing by stamping the enclosed extra copy of this letter and returning same to my attention. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,



B. Kenneth Gatlin

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

IN RE: Purchased Gas Adjustment.) DOCKET NO. 990003-GU
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I HEREBY CERTIFY that true and correct copies of the Direct Testimony of James A. Williams along with Exhibit JAW-1 have been furnished by hand-delivery on this 30th day of April, 1998 to **WILLIAM COCHRAN KEATING, IV, ESQ.**, Division of Legal Services, Florida Public Service Commission, Gunter Building, Room 370, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, and by regular U.S. Mail to the following:

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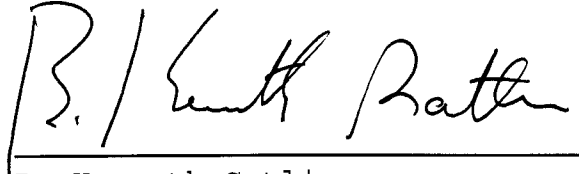
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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Purchased Gas Adjustment)
(PGA) True-up)

DOCKET NO. 990003-GU

DIRECT TESTIMONY OF JAMES A. WILLIAMS

On Behalf of Florida Division
Chesapeake Utilities Corporation

Submitted for filing: April 30, 1999

Q. Please state your name, occupation, and business address.

A. My name is James A. Williams. I am Accounting and Rates Manager of the Florida Division of Chesapeake Utilities Corporation. My business address is 1015 6th Street, N. W., Winter Haven, Florida 33881.

Q. Describe briefly your educational background and relevant professional background.

A. I have a Bachelor of Science Degree in Parks & Recreation from West Virginia University, Morgantown West Virginia with additional course work in business law, accounting and management. I was a licensed Certified Public Accountant in West Virginia but am inactive at this time. I was employed by Central Florida Gas Company in April of 1999 as Accounting and Rates Manager.

Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?

A. The purpose of my testimony is to discuss the final true-up for the period April 1998 through December 1998.

Exhibits

Q. Would you please identify the Composite Exhibit which you are sponsoring with this testimony?

A. Yes. As Composite Exhibit JAW-1, I am sponsoring the following schedules with respect to the final true-up for the period April 1998 through December 1998:

A-7 - Final Fuel Over/Under Recovery - April 1998 through December 1998.

Q. Were these schedules prepared under your direction and supervision?

A. Yes, they were.

Final True-Up April 1998 - December 1998

Q. What were total therm sales for the period April 1998 through December 1998?

A. Total therm sales subject to the PGA were 18,209,275 therms.

Q. What were total therm purchases for the period April 1998 through December 1998?

- A. Total therm purchases were 17,225,966 therms.
- Q. What was the cost of gas to be recovered through the PGA for the period April 1998 through December 1998?
- A. The cost of gas purchased for the period was \$5,639,359.
- Q. What was the amount of gas revenue collected for the period April 1998 through December 1998?
- A. The amount of gas revenue collected to cover the cost of gas was \$5,638,663.
- Q. What is the total true-up provision for the period April 1998 through December 1998?
- A. The total true-up provision, including interest, is an overrecovery of \$32,160 for the period.
- Q. What is the amount of estimated true-up included for April 1998 through December 1998 in the January 1998 through December 1999 PGA factor calculation?
- A. The amount of estimated true-up for the period April 1998 through December 1998 included in the April 1998 through March 1999 PGA factor calculation was an overrecovery of \$60,458.
- Q. What is the final over/underrecovery for the April 1998 through December 1998 period to be included in the January 1999 through December 1999 projection?
- A. The final underrecovery for the April 1998 through December 1998 period to be included in the January 2000 through December 2000 projection is \$28,298.
- Q. Does this conclude your testimony?
- A. Yes, it does.

EXHIBIT JAW-1

CHESAPEAKE UTILITIES CORPORATION
FLORIDA DIVISION

Final True-up for the Period April, 1998
through December, 1998

COMPANY: FL DIV OF CUC		FINAL FUEL OVER/UNDER RECOVERY		SCHEDULE A-7		
FOR THE PERIOD:		APRIL 98	Through	DECEMBER 98	EXHIBIT NO _____	
					DOCKET NO. 990003-GU	
					CHESAPEAKE UTILITIES CORP	
					JAW-1	
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					APR-DEC	TOTAL
1	TOTAL ACTUAL FUEL COST FOR THE PERIOD		A-2 Line 3		5,639,360	5,639,360
2	TOTAL ACTUAL FUEL REVENUES FOR THE PERIOD		A-2 Line 6		5,672,080	5,672,080
3	ACTUAL OVER/UNDER RECOVERY FOR THE PERIOD (2-1)				32,720	32,720
4	INTEREST PROVISION ACTUAL OVER/UNDER RECOVERY		A-2 Line 8		(560)	(560)
5	FOR THE PERIOD (3+4)				32,160	32,160
6	LESS: ESTIMATED/ACTUAL OVER/UNDER RECOVERY FOR THE PERIOD APRIL Through DECEMBER (From Schedule E-2) WHICH WAS INCLUDED IN THE CURRENT JANUARY 99 Through DECEMBER 99 PERIOD		E-4 Line 4 Col.4		60,458	60,458
7	FINAL FUEL OVER/UNDER RECOVERY TO BE INCLUDED IN THE PROJECTED JANUARY 99 Through DECEMBER 99 PERIOD (5-6)				(28,298)	(28,298)