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Blanca S. Bayo, Director **Division of Records & Reporting** Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re:

Docket No. 990003-GU

Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) true-up

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed on behalf of Chesapeake Utilities Corporation for filing in the above docket are an original and fifteen (15) copies of the following:

Petition for Approval of Purchased Gas Adjustment Factor: 11628 -97 1.

- Direct Testimony of James A. Williams; 11629-99 2.
- Exhibit JAW-2: and 11630-99 3.
- my Certificate of Service. attached to cover letter. 4.

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,

Wayne L. Schiefelbein

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#### BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

IN RE: Purchased Gas Adjustment ) DOCKET NO.990003-GU (PGA) true-up. ) FILED: September 27,1999

#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that true and correct copies of the Petition for Approval of Purchased Gas Adjustment Factor, Direct Testimony of James A. Williams, and Exhibit JAW-2 have been furnished by hand-delivery on this 27th day of September, 1999 to WILLIAM COCHRAN KEATING, IV, ESO., Legal Division of Services, Florida Public Commission, Gerald L. Gunter Building, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, and by regular U.S. Mail to the following:

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### BEFORE THE



#### FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Purchased Gas True-Up	)	DOCKET NO. 990003-GU
	)	

## PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF CHESAPEAKE UTILITIES CORPORATION'S PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT FACTOR

Chesapeake Utilities Corporation ("the Company"), pursuant to the requirements of this docket, petitions the Commission for approval of the Company's levelized purchased gas adjustment factor ("PGA") to be charged for gas consumption during the period January 1, 2000 to December 1, 2000. In support hereof, the Company states:

1. The exact name of the Company and the address of its principal business office

is:

Chesapeake Utilities Corporation Florida Division 1015 6th Street N. W. Winter Haven, Florida 33882-0960

2. The names, addresses, telephone and fax numbers of the persons authorized to receive notices and communications in respect to this docket are:

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- 3. Pursuant to the requirements of this docket, Chesapeake Utilities Corporation has prefiled the PGA true-up forms supplied by the Division of Electric and Gas for the April 1998 December 1998 period in a manner consistent with the Department's instructions.
- 4. As indicated in the prefiled true-up forms, Chesapeake Utilities Corporation has experienced an overrecovery of \$32,160 for the April 1998 December 1998 period. With the addition of the \$11,138 adjustment for the transition period, the actual overrecovery for April through December 1998 was \$43,298. In the November 1998 hearings in this docket, an estimated overrecovery of \$60,458 for the April 1998 December 1998 period was approved for calculation of the true-up factor for January 1999 December 1999. Therefore, a final true-up amount of \$17,160 (underrecovery) will be included in the current calculation of the January 2000 December 2000 true-up factor.
- 5. For the period of January 1999 to December 1999, Chesapeake Utilities Corporation projects an overrecovery of \$94,883, resulting in a total overrecovery of \$77,723 to refund in the January 2000 December 2000 period. The Company projects therm sales of 23,543,170 for the January 2000 December 2000 period. Therefore, the cumulative true-up factor to be applied to gas bills for this period is a .330 cents per therm refund.
- 6. As indicated on the attached schedules E-1 through E-5, the Company projects total gas costs for the January 2000 December 2000 period to be \$9,297,214. As stated previously, the Company projects therm sales of 23,543,170, resulting in a weighted average cost of gas (WACOG) of 39.490 cents per therm for the twelve-month period. Since the Company historically

experiences higher gas costs during the winter months, the Company requests that its projected firm

winter average cost of gas for the months of January 2000 through March 2000 and October 2000

through December 2000, be approved as the maximum PGA factor to be charged during the period

of January 2000 through December 2000.

7. Allocation of the total gas costs to firm and interruptible customers results in a firm

winter WACOG of 46.407 cents per therm, including the true-up factor and taxes, for the January

2000 - December 2000 period. The Company projects the interruptible winter WACOG, including

the true-up factor and taxes, to be 36.193 cents per therm for the January 2000 – December 2000

period.

WHEREFORE, for the purpose of establishing the maximum rate to be charged for

all gas sales during the period January 2000 - December 2000, Chesapeake Utilities Corporation

petitions the Commission to approve a factor of 46.407 cents per therm.

DATED this 24th day of September, 1999.

Respectfully submitted,

CHESAPEAKE UTILITIES CORPORATION

FLORIDA DIVISION

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