



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

**VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS** 

Re: Docket No. 990003-GU -- Purchased Gas Adjustment

(PGA) True-up; Prehearing Statement.

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing in the above docket please find the original and 15 copies of Peoples Gas System's Prehearing Statement. We also enclose a computer diskette (IBM-DOS 4.0, WP6.1) containing the same.

Please acknowledge your receipt and filing of the enclosures by stamping the duplicate copy of this letter which is enclosed and returning the same to the undersigned.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

DAVID M. NICHOLSON

**Enclosures** 

CC:

Ms. Angie Llewellyn Mr. W. Edward Elliott All Parties of Record OCUMENT REPRESENTE



#### BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Purchased Gas : Adjustment (PGA) True-Up :

DOCKET NO. 990003-GU

Filed: 10-25-99

## PREHEARING STATEMENT OF PEOPLES GAS SYSTEM

# A. APPEARANCES:

DAVID M. NICHOLSON, Esquire, Peoples Gas System P. O. Box 111, Tampa, Florida 33601

### B. WITNESSES:

Witness	Subject Matter	Issues
1. W. Edward E (Peoples)	therm sales and weighted average cost of gas ("WACOG"); final PGA true- up amount for April 1998- December 1998; estimated PGA true-up amounts for January 1999 - December 1999; total PGA true-up amounts for January 2000 - December 2000 and levelized PGA cost recovery (cap) factor for January 2000 - December 2000	;

# C. EXHIBITS:

<u>Exhibit</u>	Witness	Description	
(EE-1)	Elliott	Calculation of for April 1998 (Schedules A-1	- December 1998

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Elliott

(EE-2)

Calculation of estimated true-up for January 1999 - December 1999; total true-up for January 2000 -December 2000; Calculation of PGA factor for January 2000 December 2000

(Schedules E-1 through E-5)

### D. STATEMENT OF BASIC POSITION:

## Peoples' Statement of Basic Position:

The Commission should approve Peoples' final PGA true-up amount for the period April 1998 through December 1998 of \$4,088,862 (overrecovery), its estimated PGA true-up amount of \$3,807,198 (underrecovery) for the period January 1999 through December 1999, and its levelized PGA (cap) factor of 55.097 cents per therm for application to customers' bills during the period January 1, 2000 through December 31, 2000.

### E. STATEMENT OF ISSUES AND POSITIONS:

### Generic Purchased Gas Adjustment Issues

ISSUE 1: What is the appropriate final purchased gas adjustment true-up amount for the period April 1998 through December 1998?

#### POSITION:

Peoples: \$4,088,862 overrecovery. (Elliott)

ISSUE 2: What is the appropriate estimated purchased gas adjustment true-up amount for the period January 1999 through December 1999?

#### POSITION:

<u>Peoples</u>: \$3,807,198 underrecovery. (Elliott)

<u>ISSUE 3</u>: What is the total purchased gas adjustment true-up amount to be collected or refunded during the period January 2000 through December 2000?

#### POSITION:

Peoples: \$281,665 overrecovery. (Elliott)

ISSUE 4: What is the appropriate levelized purchased gas cost
recovery (cap) factor for the period January 2000 through December
2000?

### **POSITION:**

Peoples: 55.097 cents per therm. (Elliott)

<u>ISSUE 5</u>: What should be the effective date of the new purchased gas adjustment charge for billing purposes?

#### POSITION:

<u>Peoples</u>: Agree with Staff. (Elliott)

#### F.\_ STIPULATED ISSUES:

None as to Peoples at this time.

#### G. MOTIONS:

Peoples has no pending motions at this time.

#### H. OTHER MATTERS:

None as to Peoples at this time.

Dated this 25th day of October, 1999.

Respectfully submitted,

David M. Nicholson,

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Corporate Counsel, Peoples Gas System

### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Prehearing Statement of Peoples Gas System has been furnished this 22nd day of October 1999, by regular U.S. Mail, to all known parties of record in Docket No. 990003-GU.

David M. Nicholson