### PEOPLES GAS SYSTEM

#### **BEFORE THE**

# FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

**Docket No. 080318-GU** 

In Re: Petition for rate increase by Peoples Gas System

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## **DIRECT TESTIMONY OF:**

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**BRUCE NARZISSENFELD On Behalf of Peoples Gas System** 

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1	Q.	PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BUSINESS ADDRESS.
2	A.	My name is Bruce Narzissenfeld and my business address is 702 North
3		Franklin Street, Tampa, Florida 33602.
4	Q.	BY WHOM ARE YOU EMPLOYED AND IN WHAT CAPACITY?
5	A.	I am employed by Peoples Gas System ("Peoples" or the "Company") as
6		Vice President - Operations, having held that position since July 2006.
7	Q.	PLEASE PROVIDE A BRIEF OUTLINE OF YOUR
8		EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND AND BUSINESS EXPERIENCE.
9	A.	I graduated from the University of Florida in 1979 with a Bachelor of
10		Science degree in accounting. Upon graduation, I was employed by
11		Arthur Andersen, where I worked for four years in the auditing group. On
12		leaving Arthur Andersen, I joined Florida Power & Light Company where
13		I worked in Finance from 1984 to 1985. I have been with the TECO
14		Energy family of companies since 1985, and have been employed by

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from the University of Tampa in 1988.

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WHAT ARE YOUR CURRENT RESPONSIBILITIES?

As Vice President - Operations, I am responsible for all operations. maintenance and construction activities throughout the state and work closely with our sales organization to ensure seamless coordination of customer additions and expansion projects. Additionally, I am responsible for development, communication and implementation of business strategies.

Peoples since 1998. I served as Peoples' Assistant Controller until

becoming Vice President - Operations. I have been a Certified Public

Accountant since 1980, and earned a Masters in Business Administration

#### 1 Q. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR TESTIMONY?

- A. My testimony addresses Peoples' capital expenditures for 2008 and the 2009 projected test year, and how those projections were developed.
- 4 Q. HAVE YOU PREPARED OR CAUSED TO BE PREPARED ANY
- 5 EXHIBITS TO BE INTRODUCED IN THIS PROCEEDING?
- 6 A. Yes. I am sponsoring, and prepared or caused to be prepared, the
- 7 following schedules of the minimum filing requirements ("MFRs")
- 8 Composite Exhibit (PGS-1) required by Rule 25-7.039, Florida
- 9 *Administrative Code*:
- -- Schedule G-1, page 23, which consists of the Company's 2008
- 11 construction budget;
- -- Schedule G-1, page 24, listing monthly plant additions for 2008;
- -- Schedule G-1, page 26, consisting of the Company's 2009 construction
- 14 budget; and
- -- Schedule G-1, page 27, showing monthly plant additions for 2009.
- 16 Q. PLEASE EXPLAIN HOW PEOPLES DETERMINES ITS ANNUAL
- 17 CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BUDGET.
- 18 A. To determine its annual capital budget Peoples quantifies two categories,
- 19 normal expenditures and major projects. Normal expenditures are those
- 20 recurring costs required to provide service to new customers as well as
- 21 routine costs associated with the replacement and/or relocation of existing
- facilities and equipment. Major projects generally represent expansions
- with costs in excess of \$500,000. In quantifying its annual capital budget
- for normal expenditures, Peoples details all existing revenue-producing
- 25 projects having activity in the current year. This information is used in the

establishment of capital expenditures by budget category to be incurred the next fiscal year. Information obtained from this analysis aids in the forecast of new customers and is used to calculate blanket expenditures such as meter sets and service lines. In addition, main expansion within a development, city, or into new areas will be projected. Maintenance capital is forecasted by budget category and consists of known projects and an average amount based on historical experience.

# 8 Q. WHAT ARE THE COMPANY'S PROJECTED CAPITAL

#### **EXPENDITURES FOR 2008?**

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Capital expenditures for 2008 are projected to be \$62 million. Of this amount, \$39 million is projected to be spent to construct revenue producing facilities to serve new customers or to accommodate increased use by existing customers. This includes construction of mains and services, together with installation of metering and pressure regulation stations, control equipment, corrosion prevention systems and other Another \$15 million of the total capital expenditures forecasted for 2008 is for investment in the replacement or removal of mains and services, improvements to the distribution systems and relocations and replacements to accommodate municipal, state and federal road construction. Capital expenditures of this nature are required annually to assure adequate and efficient service for Peoples' customers and to assure compliance with this Commission's rules. The remaining \$8 million is forecasted to be required for improvements to structures, replacement of vehicles, office equipment and communication systems, and other tools and equipment.

# Q. PLEASE QUANTIFY THE COMPANY'S PROJECTED CAPITAL EXPENDITURES FOR 2009.

Our planned expenditures for 2009 total \$60 million of which \$42 million is for facilities to serve new customers or accommodate increased use by existing customers. In addition, we plan to spend \$13 million for replacement or removal of mains and services, improvement of the distribution systems, and relocations and replacements to accommodate municipal, state and federal road construction. The remaining \$5 million is forecasted to be required for improvements to structures, replacement of vehicles, office equipment and communication systems, and other tools and equipment.

#### 12 Q. DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR TESTIMONY?

13 A. Yes, it does.

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