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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Purchased gas adjustment (PGA) true-up. DOCKET NO. 150003-GU DATED: October 9, 2015

COMMISSION STAFF'S PREHEARING STATEMENT

Pursuant to Order No. PSC-15-0204-PCO-PU, filed May 21, 2015, the Staff of the Florida Public Service Commission files its Prehearing Statement.

1. <u>All Known Witnesses</u>

Staff has no witnesses.

2. <u>All Known Exhibits</u>

There are no known exhibits at this time.

3. <u>Staff's Statement of Basic Position</u>

Staff's positions are preliminary and based on materials filed by the parties and on discovery. The preliminary positions are offered to assist the parties in preparing for the hearing. Staff's final positions will be based upon all the evidence in the record and may differ from the preliminary positions stated herein.

- 4. <u>Staff's Position on the Issues</u>
- **ISSUE 1:** What are the final purchased gas adjustment true-up amounts for the period January 2014 through December 2014?

POSITION:

Florida City Gas	1,486,853	Over-recovery
Florida Public Utilities	680,691	Over-recovery
Peoples Gas System	1,442,494	Under-recovery
St. Joe Natural Gas Company	37,737	Under-recovery

ISSUE 2: What are the actual/estimated purchased gas adjustment true-up amounts for the period January 2015 through December 2015?

POSITION:

Florida City Gas	930,395	Under-recovery
Florida Public Utilities	932,608	Over-recovery
Peoples Gas System	2,256,948	Over-recovery
St. Joe Natural Gas Company	1,734	Under-recovery

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ISSUE 3: What are the total purchased gas adjustment true-up amounts to be collected during the period January 2016 through December 2016?

POSITION:

Florida City Gas	556,458	Over-recovery
Florida Public Utilities	1,613,299	Over-recovery
Peoples Gas System	814,458	Over-recovery
St. Joe Natural Gas Company	39,472	Under-recovery

ISSUE 4: What are the levelized purchased gas cost recovery (cap) factors for the period January 2016 through December 2016?

POSITION:

Florida City Gas	72.882 cents per therm
Florida Public Utilities	96.810 cents per therm
Peoples Gas System	96.064 cents per therm
St. Joe Natural Gas Company	72.500 cents per therm

- **ISSUE 5:** What should be the effective date of the new purchased gas adjustment charge for billing purposes?
- **POSITION:** The charge should be effective for all meter readings on or after January 1, 2016, beginning with the first or applicable billing cycle for the period January 2016 through December 2016.
- **ISSUE 6:** Should the Commission approve revised tariffs reflecting the new purchased gas adjustment charges determined to be appropriate in this proceeding?
- **POSITION:** Yes. The Commission should approve revised tariffs reflecting the new purchased gas adjustment charges determined to be appropriate in this proceeding. The Commission should direct staff to verify that the revised tariffs are consistent with the Commission's decision.
- 5. <u>Stipulated Issues</u>

Staff believes there are possible stipulations on all issues; however, no stipulations are proposed at this time.

6. <u>Pending Motions</u>

Staff has no pending motions at this time.

7. <u>Pending Confidentiality Claims or Requests</u>

Staff has no pending confidentiality claims or requests at this time.

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8. <u>Objections to Witness Qualifications as an Expert</u>

Staff has no objections to witness qualifications.

9. <u>Compliance with Order No. PSC-15-0204-PCO-PU</u>

Staff has complied with all requirements of the Order Establishing Procedure entered in this docket.

Respectfully submitted this 9th day of October, 2015.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that STAFF'S PREHEARING STATEMENT has been filed with

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