BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Counter Petition of the City of)	
Leesburg to resolve a territorial dispute with)	Docket No. 20180185-GU
Peoples Gas System)	
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CITY OF LEESBURG'S REQUEST FOR ORAL ARGUMENT

The City of Leesburg ("The City"), pursuant to Rule 25-22.0022, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), hereby requests that the Commission grant oral argument concerning the Motion to Dismiss filed on October 18, 2018 by Peoples Gas System ("Peoples") in the above-styled docket. In support thereof, The City states:

- 1. People's Motion makes a number of legal and factual points and arguments as to why the City's Counter Petition should be dismissed. The City's Response presents a number of arguments and legal authority why Peoples' Motion to Dismiss should be denied.
- 2. Oral argument will aid the Commission in understanding and evaluating the parties' respective arguments and the statutory role of the Commission when reviewing The City's Counter Petition. Oral argument will also benefit the Commission as it decides whether the Counter Petition should be referred to the Division of Administrative Hearings ("DOAH") for possible consideration and consolidation with the Territorial Dispute Petition filed by Peoples, Docket No. 20180085-GU and DOAH case number 18-4422, a related case that involves similar facts and legal issues, and is indeed a subset of the issues raised in the case pending at DOAH.
- 3. Rule 25-22.0022(7)(a) and (b), F.A.C., contemplate oral argument on dispositive motions, such as a motion to dismiss. ("Oral argument at an agenda conference <u>will</u> only be entertained for recommended orders and dispositive motions, such as motions to dismiss,

motions for summary final order, and motions for reconsideration of non-final or final orders." Emphasis added.) As such, respectfully, oral argument should be granted in this matter.

4. The City requests that each party be granted seven (7) minutes for oral argument.

WHEREFORE, The City requests that the Commission grant its Request for Oral Argument.

Respectfully submitted this 29th day of October, 2018.

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