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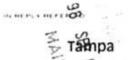
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VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS

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

Re:

Docket No. 980003-GU -- Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA)

Petition for Approval of Final True-Up Amounts.

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing in the above docket on behalf of Peoples Gas System ("Peoples"), please find an original and 15 copies of each of the following:

- Peoples' Petition for Approval of its PGA True-Up Amounts for the Period April 1, 1997 through March 31, 1998;
- Direct Testimony of W. Edward Elliott (including diskette containing testimony in WP5.1); and
- Composite Exhibit EE-1 (redacted, subject to confidentiality earlier granted)

| | | granted). | | |
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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) True-Up Docket No. 980003-GU Submitted for Filing: 09-11-98

On Behalf of Peoples Gas System

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- Q. Please state your name and business address.
- 2 A. My name is W. Edward Elliott. My business address
- 3 is 702 N. Franklin Street, Tampa, Florida 33602.
- 4 Q. By whom are you employed and in what capacity?
- 5 A. I am Manager of Gas Accounting for Peoples Gas
- 6 System ("Feoples").
- Q. Please summarize your educational background and
- 8 professional qualifications.
- 9 A. I graduated from the University of South Florida in
- 10 1972 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in
- 11 Accounting. I have over 10 years of experience in
- 12 the utility field.
- Q. What are your primary responsibilities in your
- 14 present position with Peoples?
- 15 A. As Manager of Gas Accounting, I am responsible for
- 16 recording the Company's cost of gas.
- 17 Q. Have you previously prepared testimony in
- 18 regulatory proceedings?
- 19 A. I have filed prepared direct testimony in previous
- 20 Purchased Gas Adjustment proceedings.
- 21 Q. Have you prepared or caused to be prepared certain
- 22 schedules for use in this proceeding?
- 23 A. Yes. As Composite Exhibit EE-1, I sponsored the
- 24 preparation of the following schedules with respect
- 25 to the final true-up for the period April 1997

| 1 | | through March 1998: |
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| 2 | | A-1 Comparison of actual versus original |
| 3 | | estimate of the purchased gas adjustment cost |
| 4 | | recovery factor; |
| 5 | | A-1 Supporting Detail Purchased gas |
| 6 | | adjustment cost recovery clause calculation; |
| 7 | | A-2 Calculation of true-up and interest |
| 8 | | provision; |
| 9 | | A-3 Transportation purchases - system |
| 10 | | supply and end use; |
| 11 | | A-4 Transportation system supply; |
| 12 | | A-5 Therm sales and customer data; |
| 13 | | A-6 Conversion factor calculation; and |
| 14 | | A-7 Final fuel over/(under) recovery. |
| 15 | | The referenced schedules comprising |
| 16 | | Composite Exhibit EE-1 include data for Peoples Gas |
| 17 | | System's ("Peoples") entire system, including |
| 18 | | divisions under the former Peoples Gas System, Inc. |
| 19 | | ("PGS") and the divisions, Panama City and Ocala, |
| 20 | | formerly under West Florida Natural Gas Co.("West |
| 21 | | Florida Region"). |
| 22 | Q. | What was Peoples' cost of gas to be recovered |
| 23 | | through the PGA clause for the period April |
| 24 | | 1997 through March 1998? |
| 25 | Α. | As shown on Schedule A-7, p. 16 of 91 in EE-1, the |

- 1 cost of gas purchased, adjusted for company use,
- was \$101,374,695 for PGS, column (A), and
- 3 \$9,347,792 for the West Florida Region, column (B),
- 4 for a total of \$110,722,197, for Peoples, column
- 5 (C).
- Q. What was the amount of gas revenue collected for the period April 1997 through March 1998?
- 8 A. The amount of gas revenue collected to cover the
- 9 cost of gas was \$104,387,574 for PGS and \$9,574,029
- 10 for the West Florida Region, for a total of
- 11 \$113,961,603 for Peoples.
- 12 Q. "hat was the final true-up amount for the period
- 13 April 1997 through March 1998?
- 14 A. The final true-up amount for the period, including
- 15 interest and including adjustments of \$1,737,624
- for PGS and adjustments of \$13,946 for the West
- 17 Florida Region, is an overrecovery of \$4,727,810
- 18 for PGS and an overrecovery of \$205,875 for the
- 19 West Florida Region, for a total overrecovery of
- 20 \$4,933,685 for Peoples.
- 21 Q. Is this amount net of the estimated true-up for the
- 22 period April 1997 through March 1998, which was
- 23 included in the April 1998 through March 1999
- 24 PGA factor calculation?
- 25 A. No. The final true-up net of the estimated true-up

- for the period April 1997 through March 1998 is an
- 2 overrecovery of \$832,362 for PGS and an
- 3 overrecovery of \$182,383 for the West Florida
- 4 Region, for a total overrecovery of \$1,014,745 for
- 5 Peoples.
- 6 Q. Is this the final overrecovery amount to be
- 7 included in the January 1999 through December 1999
- 8 projection?
- A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Does this conclude your testimony?
- 11 A. Yes.