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VIA HAND DELIVERY

Docket No. 980002-EG

Conservation Cost Recovery Clause

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed on behalf of Chesapeake Utilities Corporation for filing in the above docket are an original and fifteen (15) copies of:

- Petition for Approval of Conservation Cost 1. Recovery Factors;
- Direct Testimony of Beverly A. Bauck; 2.

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3. Exhibt BAB-2: and

Please acknowledge receipt of the foregoing by stamping the CMM attention. Thank you for your assistance

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## BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

IN RE:	Conservation	Cost	Recovery	)	DOCKET	NO.	98000	02-EG	
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#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that true and correct copies of the Direct Testimony of Beverly A. Bauck and Exhibit BAB-2 have been furnished by hand-delivery on this \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ day of December 1998 to WILLIAM COCHRAN KEATING, IV, ESQ., Division of Legal Services, Florida Public Service Commission, Gunter Building, Room 370, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, and by regular U.S. Mail to the following:

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## BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Conservation-Cost Recovery

Docket No. 990002-EG

# APPROVAL OF CONSERVATION COST RECOVERY FACTORS

CHESAPEAKE UTILITIES CORPORATION, pursuant to Rule 25-17.015, Florida Administrative Code, hereby submits this petition to the Commission for approval of its conservation cost recovery factors listed hereinbelow to be applied to bills rendered for meter readings taken between April 1, 1999 and December 31, 1999. In support hereof, Chesapeake states:

 The exact name of the Company and the address of its principal business office is:

> Chesapeake Utilities Corporation 1015 Sixth Street NW P.O. Box 960 Winter Haven, Florida 33882-0960

The name and address of the person authorized to receive notices and communications in respect to this docket is:

> Wayne L. Schiefelbein Ruden, McClosky, Smith, Schuster & Russell, P.A. 215 South Monroe Street, Suite 815 Tallahassee, Florida 32301

The conservation cost recovery factors were calculated in accordance with the methodology which has been previously approved by the Commission. The factors are designed to recover the projected conservation program expenses of Cherapeake Utilities. Corporation for the period April 1, 1999 through December 31, 1999, adjusted for the net true-up (which includes the estimated conservation true-up for the period April 1, 1998 through March 31, 1999) as well as interest calculated in accordance with the

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methodology established by the Commission. The calculation of the factors and the supporting documentation are contained in the prepared testimony of Chesapeake Utilities Corporation witness Beverly A. Bauck.

4. Chesapeake Utilities Corporation projects total conservation program expenses, net of all program revenues, of \$214,297 for the period April 1, 1999 through December 31, 1999. The net true-up is an underrecovery of \$40,317. After adding the projected conservation expenses to the amount of this underrecovery, a total of \$254,614 remains to be recovered during the April, 1999 through December, 1999 period. Dividing this total among Chesapeake's firm rate classes and then dividing this result by the projected firm gas retail sales for the period by rate classification, and expanding for taxes, results in the following conservation adjustment factors for which Chesapeake Utilities Corporation seeks approval in this petition.

Rate Class	Adjustment Factor (cents per therm)			
GS Residential	6.507			
GS Commercial	1.878			
GS Commercial LV	1.305			
GS Industrial	.604			
Firm Transportation	.543			

WHEREFORE, CHESAPEAKE UTILITIES CORPORATION prays the

Commission will grant this petition, and approve the above conservation adjustments factors
to be applied to bills rendered for meter reading taken between April 1, 1999 and December
31, 1999, inclusive.

RESPECTFULLY submitted this 7th day of December, 1999.

Beverly A. Bauck

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