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Ms. Ann Cole, Director  
Commission Clerk and Administrative Services  
Florida Public Service Commission  
2540 Shumard Oak Blvd.  
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re: Docket No. 070003-GU

Dear Ms. Cole:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of Florida Public Utilities Company in this docket are an original and 10 copies of Florida Public Utilities Company's Prehearing Statement in the above referenced docket. Also enclosed is a 3 1/2" diskette with the document on it in MS Word 2003.

Please acknowledge receipt of these documents by stamping the enclosed extra copy of this letter.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Norman H. Horton, Jr.

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cc: Mr. Mehrdad Khojasteh  
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**BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

In re: Purchased Gas Cost Recovery )  
\_\_\_\_\_ )

Docket No. 070003-GU  
Filed: October 12, 2007

**FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMPANY'S  
PREHEARING STATEMENT**

Florida Public Utilities Company ("FPU") hereby submits its prehearing statement to be taken up at the hearing now scheduled to begin on November 6-8, 2007 in this docket.

**A. WITNESSES**

<u>Witness</u>	<u>Subject Matter</u>	<u>Issues</u>
Cheryl M. Martin*	Purchased gas cost recovery true-ups	1
Mehrdad Khojasteh	Purchased gas cost recovery projections and estimate of therm sales	2 - 5
Christopher M. Snyder	Natural gas sales projection, demand and commodity costs, and WACOG	4

\*The testimony prefiled by Witness Martin has been adopted by Witness Khojasteh.

**B. EXHIBITS**

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Witness</u>	<u>Description</u>
CM-1*	Martin	Revised Schedule A-7
MK-1 (Composite)	Khojasteh	Schedules E-1, E-1/R, E-2, E-3, E-4, and E-5

\*The exhibit of Witness Martin has been adopted by Witness Khojasteh.

### C. BASIC POSITION

FPU has properly projected its true-up amounts and projected gas costs. Its costs and projections are reasonable and its purchased gas cost recovery factors should be approved by the Commission.

### D. STATEMENT OF ISSUES AND POSITIONS

**Issue 1:**      **What is the appropriate final purchased gas adjustment true-up amount for the period January, 2006 through December, 2006?**

FPU's Position:      \$1,241,836 (overrecovery)

**Issue 2:**      **What is the estimated purchased gas adjustment true-up amount for the period January, 2007 through December, 2007?**

FPU's Position:      \$2,475,583 (overrecovery)

**Issue 3:**      **What is the total purchased gas adjustment true-up amount to be refunded in the January, 2008 through December, 2008 period?**

FPU's Position:      \$3,717,419 (overrecovery)

**Issue 4:**      **What is the appropriate levelized purchased gas cost recovery (cap) factor to be charged during the period January, 2008 through December, 2008?**

FPU's Position:      150.001 cents per therm.

**Issue 5:**      **What should be the effective date of the new purchased gas adjustment charge for billing purposes?**

FPU's Position:      The factor should be effective for all meter readings on or after January, 2008, beginning with the first or applicable billing cycle for the period January, 2008 through December, 2008.

### E. QUESTIONS OF LAW

None.

**F. POLICY QUESTIONS**

None.

**G. STIPULATED ISSUES**

None.

**H. MOTIONS**

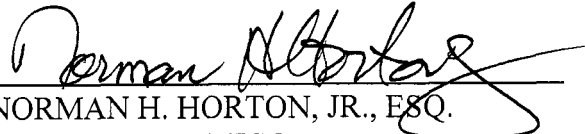
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**I. OTHER MATTERS**

None.

Dated this 12<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2007.

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