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## Hublic Service Commission

August 11, 2009

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## STAFF'S SECOND DATA REQUEST NOS. 78 - 90

## Re: Docket No. 090125-GU-Petition for increase in rates by Florida Division of Chesapeake Utilities Corporation.

Dear Ms. Keating:

By this letter, the Commission staff requests that Florida Division of Chesapeake Utilities Corporation (Chesapeake) provide responses to the following data requests:

## Data Requests

Please refer to the direct testimony of Geoffroy, page 33, lines 4-5, regarding customers that receive

market-based rates.

- 78. Please state the number of customers who receive market-based rates.
- 79. Explain whether the customer listed in the response to the above question receive service under a negotiated contract or a tariffed rate schedule.
- 80. Please refer to the direct testimony of Geoffroy, page 34, lines 5-8, and explain the protections the current tariff provides to ensure that the alternative fuel price is legitimate.
- 81. Please refer to the direct testimony of Householder, page 13, lines 14-22, and explain as tewhy the company proposes to discontinue allowing customers to move between the FTS-Action and FTS-B classes.
- 82. Please refer to the direct testimony of Householder, page 32, line 20, and provide an analysis showing the cost of physical bypass for Mosaic.

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- 83. Please refer to the direct testimony of Householder, page 32, line 21-22 and state the amount of rate base and expenses that were allocated from the FTS-13 class to the remaining FTS-A through FTS-12 classes.
- 84. Please refer to the direct testimony of Householder, page 51, lines 21-23, and provide the calculations showing the development of the experimental fixed charge rates.
- 85. Please refer to the direct testimony of Householder, page 52, lines 22-23 and page 53, line 1. Please state how the company proposes to treat the resulting revenue shortfall and state the amount of revenue shortfall resulting from delaying the effective date of the experimental rates.
- 86. Please refer to the direct testimony of Householder, page 60, lines 16-19, addressing the proposal to eliminate the receipt of cash as a deposit payment method. Please state:
  - a. how many residential and how many commercial customers have paid a cash deposit in 2007, 2008, and 2009 (to date)?
  - b. What are the cost to the company to accept a cash deposit?
  - c. Provide a narrative as to why the company is proposing to discontinue the acceptance of cash as a deposit payment method.
- 87. Please refer to the direct testimony of Householder, page 61, lines 14-16, addressing the proposal to eliminate the receipt of cash as a bill payment method. Please state:
  - a. how many residential and how many commercial customers have paid their bill in cash in 2007, 2008, and 2009 (to date)?
  - b. What are the cost to the company to accept a cash payment?
  - c. Provide a narrative as to why the company is proposing to discontinue the acceptance of cash as a bill payment method.
- 88. Please refer to Exhibit JMH-9, pages 58-60 of 135, and state whether the company is proposing to eliminate the Contract Firm Transportation Service Rider and the Area Expansion Program Rider.
- 89. Please refer to Exhibit JMH-9, page 16 of 135, and provide the calculation of the initial deposit amount for the FTS-2, FTS-2.1, FTS-3, and FTS-3.1 rate classes.
- 90. Please provide a discussion as to why the company proposed a fixed dollars per bill environmental surcharge as opposed to a variable cents per therm surcharge.

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Please file the original and five copies of the requested information by Friday, September 4, 2009, with Ms. Ann Cole, Commission Clerk, Office of Commission Clerk, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida, 32399-0850. Please feel free to call me at (850) 413-6084 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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cc: Office of Commission Clerk Florida Division of Chesapeake Utilities Corporation Division of Economic Regulation