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DATE:

July 23, 2019

TO:

Office of Commission Clerk

FROM:

Lynn M. Deamer, Chief of Auditing, Office of Auditing and Performance Analysis

RE:

Docket No.: 20190004-GU

Company Name: Peoples Gas System

Company Code: GU608

Audit Purpose: A3e: Natural Gas Conservation Cost Recovery

Audit Control No.: 2019-029-2-1

Attached is the final audit report for the Utility stated above. I am sending the Utility a copy of this memo and the audit report. If the Utility desires to file a response to the audit report, it should send a response to the Office of Commission Clerk. There are no confidential work papers associated with this audit.

#### LMD/cmm

Attachment: Audit Report

cc: Office of Auditing and Performance Analysis File.

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Office of Auditing and Performance Analysis
Bureau of Auditing
Tampa District Office

## Auditor's Report

Peoples Gas System
Gas Conservation Cost Recovery Clause

Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2018

Docket No. 20190004-GU Audit Control No. 2019-029-2-1

July 16, 2019

Simon Ojada Audit Manager

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### <u>Purpose</u>

To: Florida Public Service Commission

We have performed the procedures described later in this report to meet the objectives set forth by the Division of Economics in its audit service request dated January 29, 2019. We have applied these procedures to the attached summary exhibit and to several related schedules prepared by Peoples Gas System in support of its 2018 filing for the Gas Conservation Cost Recovery Clause in Docket No. 20190004-GU.

The report is intended only for internal Commission use.

### Objectives and Procedures

#### General

#### **Definitions**

Utility refers to the Peoples Gas System.
GCCR refers to the Gas Conservation Cost Recovery Clause.

#### Revenue

#### Operating Revenues

**Objectives:** The objectives were to determine the actual therm sales for the period January 1, 2018, through December 31, 2018, and whether the Utility applied the Commission approved cost recovery factor to actual therm sales for the GCCR.

**Procedures:** We reconciled GCCR Revenues reported in the 2018 filing to the Utility's monthly revenue reports and the general ledger. We computed revenues by multiplying therms sold by the Commission approved factors and compared them to the filing and the general ledger. We selected a sample of residential and commercial customers' bills by rate class and verified that the correct tariff rates were used. No exceptions were noted.

#### Expense

#### Operation and Maintenance Expense

**Objectives:** The objectives were to determine whether Operation and Maintenance (O&M) Expense listed on Schedule CT-3 of the Utility's filing was supported by adequate documentation and that the expenses are appropriately recoverable through the GCCR.

**Procedures:** We traced expenses in the filing to the general ledger. We judgmentally selected a sample from each of the conservation programs for testing. The source documentation for selected items was reviewed to ensure the expense was for the current period, charged to the correct accounts and appropriately recoverable through the GCCR. Incentive cash payments were reviewed and traced to source documentation. Advertising expenses were reviewed for compliance with Rule 25-17.015(5), Energy Conservation Cost Recovery, Florida Administrative Code. No exceptions were noted.

### True-Up

**Objective:** The objective was to determine whether the True-Up and Interest Provision as filed on Schedule CT-3 was properly calculated.

**Procedures:** We traced the December 31, 2017, True-Up Provision to the Commission Order. We recalculated the True-Up and Interest Provision amounts as of December 31, 2018, using the Commission approved beginning balance as of December 31, 2017, the Financial Commercial Paper rates, and the 2018 GCCR filing revenues and expenses. No exceptions were noted.

### **Analytical Review**

Objective: The objective was to perform an analytical review of the Utility's GCCR revenues and expenses to determine if there were any material changes or inconsistencies from the prior year.

**Procedures:** We compared 2018 to 2017 and 2016 revenues and expenses. There were no significant variances. Further follow-up was not required.

# Audit Findings

None

### **Exhibit**

# Exhibit 1: True -Up

SCHEDULE CT-3 PAGE 2 OF 3

# PEOPLES GAS SYSTEM Energy Conservation Adjustment Celculation of True-up and Interest Provision For Months January 2018 through December 2018

	NSERVATION VENUES	January	February	March	April	Мау	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Total
1	OTHER PROGRAM REVS	0	O	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2.	CONSERV ADJ REVS	2221479.552	1945466.547	1555578 289	1615273 592	1279309 144	1206047.204	1074509 851	1025720,945	1124485.473	1038104.836	1156692.905	1592775.224	16835443.56
3	TOTAL REVENUES	222 1479.552	1945466,547	1555578.289	1615273.592	1279309.144	1206047.204	1074509.851	1025720.945	1124485.473	1038104.836	1156692 905	1592775.224	16835443.56
4.	PRIOR PERIOD TRUE-UP NOT APPLICABLE TO THIS PERIOD	-181164	-181164	-181164	-181164	-181164	-181164	-181164	-181164	-181164	-181 164	-181164	-181 163	-2173967
5.	CONSERVATION REVS APPLICABLE TO THE PERIOD	2040316	1764302.547	1374414.289	1434109.592	1098145 144	1024883.204	893345.8507	844556.9453	943321.4726	856940.8358	975528 9055	1411612.224	14661477.01
6	CONSERVATION EXPS (FROM CT-3, PAGE 1)	1319793.41	0 1576852.44	0 1847294.53	0 2612466.37 0	1025022 12 (	1135987.07	0 2161694.63	0 1557021.87	0 894741.07	2074720.49	0 1027197.3	0 1372740 92	18605532.22
7.	TRUE-UP THIS PERIOD	720522	187450	-472880	-1178357	73123	-111104	-1268349	-712465	48580	-1217780	-51668	38871	-3944057
8.	INT. PROV. THIS PERIOD (FROM CT-3, PAGE 3)	-2600 43295	0 -1811.245354	0 -1998 676634	0 -3138.518825 0	-3719 (	-3586	0 -4543	0 -5885	0 -6516	7730	0 -8730	0 -8725	-58982 87376
9	TRUE-UP & INT. PROV. BEGINNING OF MONTH	-24 <del>98</del> 428	-1599342.433	-1232539.678	-1526254 355	-2526585 874	-2276017 874	-2209543.874	-3301271 874	-3838457 874	-3615229.874	-4659575.874	-4538809,874	
10	PRIOR TRUE-UP COLLECTED/(REFUNDED)	181164	181164	181164	181164	181164	181164	181164	181 164	181164	181164	181164	181163	
11,	TOTAL NET TRUE-UP (SUM LINES 8+9+10+11)	-1599342.433	-1232539.678	-1526254.355	-2526585 874	-2276017 874	-2209543 874	-3301271,874	-3838457,874	-3615229 874	-4659575.874	-4538809.874	-4327500.874	-4003039.874
	Expenses Deferred Expenses Revenues Deferred Revenues	1319793.41 901686 -2221479.552	1576852 44 368614 0 -1945466.547	1847294 53 -291716 0 -1555578.289	2612466 37 -997193 0 -1615273.592 0	1025022 12 181164 0 -1279309 144 ( -73123	1135987.07 70060 0 -1206047.204	2161694.63 181164 0 -1074509.851 1268349	1557021.87 181164 0 -1025720.945 712465	894741.07 181164 0 -1124485.473 -48580	2074720.49 -1036616 0 -1038104.836	1027197.3 129496 0 -1156692.905	1372740.92 220034 0 -1592775.224	18605532 22 89021 -16835443.56 1859111