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Ms. Blanca Bayó, Director
Commission Clerk and Administrative Services
Room 110, Easley Building
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Blvd.
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Re: Docket No. 040270-GU

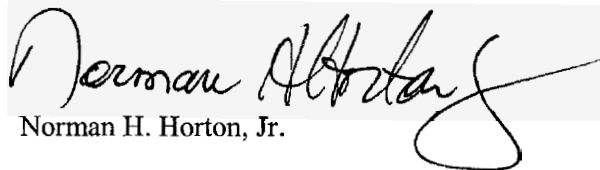
Dear Ms. Bayó:

Enclosed for filing in the captioned docket is proof of publication for the notice of customer meeting in this docket. This was published August 8, 2004 in *The News-Sun*.

Please acknowledge receipt of these documents by stamping the extra copy of this letter "filed" and returning the same to me.

Thank you for your assistance with this filing.

Sincerely yours,


Norman H. Horton, Jr.

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Enclosures

cc: Ralph Jaeger, Esq.
Mr. Jerry Melendy

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THE NEWS-SUN
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Published three (3) times weekly
SEBRING, HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA

**STATE OF FLORIDA,
COUNTY OF HIGHLANDS:**

Before the undersigned authority personally appeared Vicki Sherman, Advertising Director, who on oath says that she is Advertising Director of the News-Sun, a tri-weekly newspaper Published at Sebring, in Highlands County, Florida; that the attached copy of advertisement, being a Proof of Publication in the matter of:

**SEBRING GAS SYSTEM, INC. NOTICE OF CUSTOMER
MEETINGS DOCKET NO. 040270-GU**

Was published in said newspaper in the issue(s) of

August 8, 2004

Affiant further says the News-Sun is a newspaper published at Sebring, in Highlands County, Florida, and that the said newspaper has heretofore been continuously published in said County, Florida, Wednesday, Friday and/or Sunday and has been entered as a second class mail matter at the post office Sebring, in said county, Florida, for a period of one year next preceding the first publication of the attached copy of advertisement; and affiant further says that she has neither paid nor promised any person, firm or corporation any discount, rebate, commission or refund of the purchase of securing this advertisement of publication in the said newspaper.


Vicki Sherman, Advertising Director

Swore to and subscribed before me

**On this 23rd day of August
A.D. 2004**


Notary Public, State of Florida



Denise W Knudtson
My Commission CC970772
Expires November 24, 2004

Lakes Wolf and Persimmon in the hypereutrophic category —Wolf from natural sources and Persimmon from pollution. There are also oligotrophic

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SEBRING GAS SYSTEM, INC.
NOTICE OF CUSTOMER MEETINGS
DOCKET NO. 040270-GU

On June 30, 2004, Sebring Gas System, Inc. filed a petition for general rate increase with the Florida Public Service Commission ("PSC") for an increase in natural gas rates. In this rate case, the Company is seeking approval of new permanent rates that would generate additional base rate revenues of \$234,641 a year. The Company has also requested that the Commission approve interim rates that would generate additional revenues of \$110,957, on an annualized basis, during the time that this rate case is being processed by the PSC.

The PSC will hold a customer meeting in Sebring to receive comments from customers on the Company's quality of service and on other matters pertaining to the Company's request for rate relief. One or more Commissioners of the Florida Public Service Commission may be present at the customer meeting. The customer meeting will be held at the following location and time:

August 23, 2004, 6:00 p.m.
Sebring Civic Center (behind the Public Library)
355 W. Center Avenue
Sebring, Florida 33870-3109

Customers are urged to be present at the beginning of this meeting, since customer meetings may be adjourned once all customers present have been allowed to speak.

Any person requiring some accommodation at the customer meeting because of a physical impairment should call the Commission's Division of Commission Clerk and Administrative Services at (850)413-6770 at least five calendar days before the customer meeting. Any person who is hearing or speech impaired should contact the Florida Public Service Commission by using the Florida Relay Service, which can be reached at 1-800-955-8771 (TDD).

Any customer comments regarding the Company's service or the Company's proposed rate increase should be addressed to:

Director, Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Blvd.
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Such comments should refer to Docket No. 040270-GU, which is the docket number assigned to this case by the PSC.

For your information, we are also providing the address and telephone number of the Florida Public Service Commission's Division of Regulatory Compliance and Consumer Assistance:

Division of Regulatory Compliance and Consumer Assistance
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850
Telephone: 1-800-342-3552 (TOLL FREE NUMBER)

The Company also welcomes customer questions concerning its requested rate increase. You may contact your local business office at 3515 U.S. Highway 27, South, Sebring, FL 33870-5452, (863) 385-0194.

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