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DATE: December 26, 2000

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TO: Marlene Stern, Division of Legal Services

FROM: Jay B. Revell, Division of Economic Regulation DOCUMENT NO. 16636-01

RE: Confidentiality requests by City Gas Company of Florida

I have reviewed the material in Document No. 15574-00, that City Gas Company of Florida has requested be classified as confidential. These materials were requested as part of the rate case for City Gas, Docket No. 000768-GU. These materials do appear to be confidential in nature since the documents contain information related to customers or potential customers of the utility. Public disclosure of these documents could result in financial harm to the Company.

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FROM:	DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING (Lockard)			
RE:	CONFIDENTIALITY OF CERTAIN INFORMATION			
	DOCUMENT NO: 15574-00 (x-ref. 14633-00)			
	DESCRIPTION: Response to staff's 3 rd request for production of docume Nos. 25 and 26	nts,		
	SOURCE: City Gas Company of Florida DOCKET NO: 000768-GU			
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FROM: Jay B. Revell, Division of Economic Regulation (DOCUMENT NO. 16636-0)

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FROM:	DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING (Flynn)
RE:	CONFIDENTIALITY OF CERTAIN INFORMATION DOCUMENT NO: 16059-00 DESCRIPTION: Exhibits 13 and 16 to staff's engineering report
	SOURCE: City Gas Company of Florida
	DOCKET NO: 000768-GU
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FROM:	DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING (Flynn)
RE:	CONFIDENTIALITY OF CERTAIN INFORMATION DOCUMENT NO: 16057-00 (x-ref 15276-00) DESCRIPTION: Response to No. 28 in staff's 4th request for production of documents
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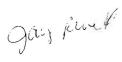
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August 21, 2001

Richard D. Melson, Esquire Hopping Law Firm Post Office Box 6526 Tallahassee, Florida 32314

Re: Return of Confidential Documents to the Source, Docket No. 000768-GU

Dear Mr. Melson:

Commission staff have advised that confidential Document Nos. 14633-00, 15276-00, 15574-00, 15633-00, 16055-00, 16057-00, and 16059-00 filed on behalf of NUI City Gas Company of Florida can be returned to the source. The documents are enclosed.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions concerning return of this material.

Sincerely,

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Kay Flynn, Chief Bureau of Records and Hearing Services

Enclosure

cc: Jay Revell, Division of Economic Regulation Marlene Stern, Division of Legal Services

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January 8, 2001

Richard D. Melson, Esquire Hopping Green Sams & Smith, P.A. Post Office Box 6526 Tallahassee, Florida 32314

Re: Return of Confidential Document to the Source, Docket No. 000768-GU

Dear Mr. Melson:

Commission staff have advised that confidential Document No. 15876-00 filed on behalf of City Gas Company of Florida, a division of NUI Corporation, can be returned to the source. The document is enclosed.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions concerning return of this material.

Sincerely,

Kay Flynn, Chief Bureau of Records

Enclosure

cc: Bob Freeman, Division of Regulatory Oversight Denise Vandiver, Division of Regulatory Oversight

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From: Office of Chairman Terry Deason

Docket Number: 000768-GU

Docket Title:

Request for rate increase by City Gas Company of Florida.

1. Schedule Information

Event	Former Date	New Date	Location	Time
Service Hearing		10/23/2000	Dade County	6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Service Hearing		10/24/2000	St. Lucie County	12:00 PM - 2:00 PM
Service Hearing		10/25/2000	Brevard County	12:00 PM - 2:00 PM

2. Hearing/Prehearing Assignment Information

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Reason for Revision: A. New Assignment 1. Unavailability 2. Good Cause 3. Recused 4. Disqualified 5. See Remarks

Remarks: The Oct. 25th Brevard County Service Hearing is for Com. BAEZ ONLY!!!

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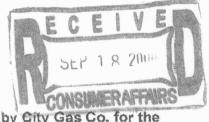
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545 Kale Street Satellite Beach, FL 32937 September 11, 2000

Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd Tallahassee FL 32399 0850

Dear Sir:



I am asking that you deny the rate increase requested by City Gas Co. for the investment improvements they have made to their distribution services. Investment expenditures made in their distribution network are rightfully stockholder investments in their business. Conducting business in this manner is like a customer giving United Parcel Service a truck and then paying UPS a monthly fee on that truck! No other business that I know of bills it's customer for a capital equipment expenditure and then includes this gift from it's customer back into the rate base to charge the customer again for the gift that the customer just gave to the company.

In the past the Florida Public Service Commission has allowed City Gas Co. these gifts for capital improvements. It is like clockwork. They come back with their hands out every two years. City Gas Co. must not be allowed to continue to benefit from consumer subsidized expenditures. Their bills are very well structured to relieve the company from any risk of capital losses. The consumer pays adjusted fuel charges, depreciation charges, meter reading charges, and a fixed fee for just being hooked to the distribution system even if the customer does not use any gas.

Please help us, the City Gas Co. consumers, and demonstrate that you are willing to stop this price gouging.

When I purchased my home my summer gas bill was about \$6.00 per month. Now my summer gas bill is about \$24.00 per month for just hot water! That is very close to a 400 percent City Gas Co. increase!

Your charter is to protect the Florida consumer from price gouging while at the same time assuring utility companies a fair return on their investment funds, not the consumer's.

This undeserved rate increase will also increase FPL's fuel costs. FPL will then want another increase to cover these additional City Gas Company charges.

Please deny this gouging rate increase requested by City Gas Co.

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545 Kale Street Satellite Beach, FL 32937 September 11, 2000

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Dear Sir:

I am asking that you very, very carefully examine the rate increase requested by Florida Power and Light Co. for increased cost of fuel it claims to have incurred. Please also examine FPL rates for the period when fuel costs were at ten year lows to determine if their billing was honest. When fuel rates decline again will you assure that FPL fuel rates will reflect these lower costs or will FPL reap the difference?

Also since FPL is a City Gas customer, any rate increase you give to City Gas will give FPL an excuse to raise FPL consumer our rates again.

Please help us, the FPL consumers, and demonstrate that you are willing to stop any price gouging.

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October 4, 2000

Mr. Richard D. Melson Hopping Green Sams & Smith, P.A. P. O. Box 6526 Tallahassee, Florida 32314

RE: Docket No. 000768-GU - Request for Rate Increase by City Gas Company of Florida

Dear Rick,

The purpose of this letter is to transmit the Commission staff's approval of the three draft notices you submitted pursuant to Rule 25-22.0406, Florida Administrative Code. Each notice satisfied the rule requirements.

In accordance with Rule 25-22.0406(4), Florida Administrative Code, the Commission staff reviewed the Rate Case Synopsis, as revised on September 28, 2000. A copy of the approved version is enclosed with this letter. The synopsis satisfies the requirements of the rule, and the information contained therein accurately represents City Gas's rate case filing. Therefore, we approve the Rate case Synopsis, as amended, for distribution.

In accordance with Rule 25-22.0406(5), Florida Administrative Code, the Commission staff reviewed the Notice to Customers submitted on September 21, 2000. The notice satisfies the requirements of the rule, and the information contained therein accurately represents City Gas's rate case filing. Therefore, we approve the Notice to Customers for mailing to the customers as required by the rule.

Finally, in accordance with Rule 25-22.0406(6), Florida Administrative Code, the Commission staff reviewed the Notice of Service Hearings submitted on September 21, 2000. The notice satisfies the requirements of the rule. Therefore, we approve the Notice of Service Hearings for newspaper publication as required by the rule.

If you have any questions about these approvals, please call me at (850) 413-6230.

Sincerely,

Marlene K. Stern

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CITY GAS COMPANY OF FLORIDA

RATE CASE SYNOPSIS

DOCKET NO. 000768-GU

City Gas Company of Florida (the "Company") is a natural gas utility providing natural gas service and gas transportation service to over 100,000 customers in Miami-Dade, Broward, Braward, St. Lucio, Indian Rivos and Martin Counties. The Company is a division of MUI Corporation, headquartered in New Jersey, which-operates natural gas distribution systems in six states: Florida, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland and North Carolina.

On August 25, 2000, the Company filed a request for a rate increase with the Florida Public Service Commission ("Commission"). Under Florida law, the Commission regulates the rates, charges and service provided by natural gas utilities in the state. The case has been assigned Docket No. 000768-GU.

The Company is entitled by law to receive a reasonable return on its property used and useful in the public service. The Company's existing rates and charges are inadequate to provide fair and reasonable compensation for the services it provides to the public. The Company's existing return denies the Company the financial strength and integrity necessary to undertake capital additions designed to improve the Company's quality of service and to extend that service to more customers

The general reasons for the request for an increase in rates are:

- 1) The Company's natural gas throughput from residential and industrial customers has not grown at the rate projected in its last rate case.
- 2) The Company has incurred significant capital additions that need to be recognized in rate base so that an adequate return on this investment can be obtained.
- 3) The Company's operating expenses have increased due, among other things, to inflation and ordinary customer growth.

A comparison of the proposed final rates with the rates in effect prior to the Company's request is attached. Also attached is a copy of the Executive Summary filed as part of the Company's rate application.

Pursuant to Florida law, the Company has chosen to have its request for a rate increase processed under the Commission's procedures governing Proposed Agency Action. Under this procedure, the staff of the Commission will first review the Company's request for interim rate relief and will make a recommendation to the Commission on the amount of the interim increase, if any, to be granted while the Commission considers the application for permanent rate relief. The Commission will consider its staff's recommendation at one of its regularly scheduled bi-weekly

Agenda Conferences in Tallahassee, Florida within 60 days after the Company's petition was filed. The Commission is currently scheduled to consider the Company's request for interim rate relief on October 17, 2000. Any interim increase granted will be held by the Company subject to refund pending the Commission's final decision on permanent rates.

The staff of the Florida Public Service Commission will conduct a detailed review and investigation of the Company's request for permanent rate relief and will perform an audit of the Company's books. In addition, the Commission will conduct vervice hearings in Minmi Dudy, St. Luoio and Browned Counties to the Company's rate request. Following completion of this investigation and the customer hearings, the Commission staff will make a recommendation to the Commission on what rate relief, if any, should be granted. The Commission will act on its staff's recommendation at another Agenda Conference in Tallahassee within five months after the Company's petition was filed. The Commission is currently scheduled to consider the permanent rate request on January 16, 2001.

The major issues to be considered by the Commission in this case will include the determination of the proper rate base, net operating income, earned rate of return, fair and reasonable rate of return, the proper rate structure, and the quality of service provided by the Company.

After the Commission votes on the Company's rate request, it will issue an Order on Proposed Agency Action containing its findings and conclusions. Substantially affected persons have 21 days after the written order is issued to decide whether to accept the Commission's decision or to request a formal hearing. If no party protests the order, the Commission's decision becomes final, the new rates go into effect, and the case is closed. If there is a protest, the case will proceed to a formal hearing process, which must be completed within eight months after the date the protest was filed.

If a protest is filed by a party other than the Company, the Company has the right to place its requested permanent rates in effect, subject to refund, until the case is concluded.

follows:

Monday, October 23, 2000
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Miami-Dade County
Embassy Suites Hotel-Miami International Airport
3974 S. River Drive
Miami, FL 33142

Tuesday, October 24, 2000 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. St. Lucie County

> Holiday Inn-Port St. Lucie 10120 South Federal Highway Port St. Lucie, FL 34952

Wednesday, October 25, 2000 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Brevard County School Board of Brevard County Board Room 2700 Judge Fran Jamieson Way Viera, FL 32940-6699

The following is the current rate case schedule established by the Commission that contains all the critical events and dates. This schedule is subject to change by the Commission.

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More detailed information on the Company's proposed rate increase is contained in the complete minimum filing requirements, located at the following Company offices:

City Gas Company of Florida 955 East 25th Street Hialeah, Florida 33013-3498

City Gas Company of Florida 1304 S.W. Bayshore Boulevard Port St. Lucie, Florida 34983-2297

City Gas Company of Florida 4180 South U.S. Highway No. 1 Rockledge, Florida 32955-5309

Inspection of the filing at any of these offices may be conducted during normal business hours (8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Monday - Friday).

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

Director, Records and Reporting Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Such comments should refer to Docket No. 000768-GH, which is the docket number that has been assigned to this proceeding.

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

Division of Consumer Affairs Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850.

1-800-342-3552 (Toll Free Number)

Company personnel may be contacted to answer questions concerning the rate request at the address shown on your gas service bill, or by calling the following telephone number:

1-800-347-4427 Extension 5222

COMPARISON OF PRESENT AND PROPOSED RATES

	Present Rates			Proposed Rates
RESIDENTIAL:	-			
Customer charge Energy charge per therm	\$ \$	7.00 .46349	\$ \$	7.50 .54709
GAS LIGHTING:				
Customer charge Energy charge per therm	\$.46349	\$.54709
COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL FIRM:				
Customer charge Energy charge per therm	\$	17.00 .20259	\$	20.00 .26549
LARGE COMMERCIAL FIRM:				
Customer charge Energy charge per therm	\$	35.00 .16336	\$	50.00 .19839
INTERRUPTIBLE PREFERRED:				
Customer charge Energy charge per therm	\$	50.00 .12757	\$	100.00 .16500
NATURAL GAS VEHICLES:				
Customer charge Energy charge per therm	\$	12.00 .14119	\$ -\$	15.00 .17500
SMALL COMMERICAL TRANSPORTATION:				
Customer charge Transportation charge per therm	\$	17.00 .20259	\$	25.00 .26549
COMMERICAL TRANSPORTATION:				
Customer charge Transportation charge per therm	\$	50.00 .16336	\$	55.00 .19839

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Customer charge Transportation charge per therm	\$ \$	175.00 .12757	\$ \$	175.00 .16500
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Customer charge Transportation charge per therm	\$ \$	175.00 .12757	\$	175.00 .16500
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Customer charge Transportation charge per therm	\$ \$	400.00 .08252	\$ \$	400.00 .12000
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FROM:

DIVISION OF LEGAL SERVICES (M. STERN) MKS

RE:

DOCKET NO. 000768-GU - REQUEST FOR RATE INCREASE BY CITY

GAS COMPANY OF FLORIDA.

Attached is A NOTICE OF CUSTOMER HEARING to be issued in the above-referenced docket. (Number of pages in notice - 3)

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cc: Division of Economic Regulation

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October 22, 2000

Director, Records and Reporting Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

RE: Docket Number 000768-GU



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Sincerely,

Gary C. Porter

cc: Division of Consumer Affairs

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Mr. Frederick Booth Reese 12990 NE Miami Court North Miami, Florida 33161-4541 (305) 681-2417 reesefb@bellsouth.net

October 28, 2000

Director, Records and Reporting Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2850

Re: Docket Number 000768-GU

Dear Sir or Madam:

Please find an attached exhibit, which demonstrates the impact the rate increase proposed by City Gas Company will have on my energy costs. I understand that the rates of regulated monopolies must be adjusted occasionally to reflect economic realities. It is my hope that you will insist that City Gas Company clearly documents that their costs have increased by 17 percent since their last rate adjustment before you allow them to increase my costs by that increment.

Highest regards,

Frederick B. Reese

Attachment: Cost Comparison

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Late Charge Reminder: A 1.5% Late Payment Charge will be applied to any balance not paid by due date.

In celebration of National Customer Service Week this month, we thank you for being our customer. We value your business.

Tired of writing checks? Enroll in "NUI Rapid Payment". Check the box next to the amount due on your payment stub and sign the reverse side.

How We Calculate Your Current Gas Charges

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DATE: November 2, 2000

TO: Blanca Bayó, Director, Records and Reporting

FROM: Jane Faurot, Chief, Bureau of Reporting

RE: DOCKET NO. 000768-GU, SERVICE HEARINGS HELD 10-23, 24

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Cost Comparision

Based on the Nine Months Ending on September 30, 2000

Present Rate

Customer Charges Energy Charges \$7.00 a Month \$0.46349 per Therm

\$ 63.00 \$ 412.60

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Proposed Rate

Customer Charges Energy Charges \$7.50 a Month \$0.54709 per Therm \$ 67.50 \$ 487.02

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2540 Shumard Oak Blvd Tallahassee FL 32399-0850

Florida Public Service Commission

Gentlemen:

CONSTITUTE Last week City Gas Company mailed a brochure attempting to justify its request for a significant increase to the present rate structure. Please consider my comments concerning the City Gas Company rates when you act upon its request.

City Gas Company three reasons to justify a rate increase are:

1. Reason #1:

"The Company's natural gas throughput from residential and industrial customers has not grown at the rate projected in its last rate case."

Response:

Because the Company's natural gas throughput may not have grown at the rate the Company expected should not be a reason to raise the rate. The higher the cost of any product the less sales volume any company should expect. Raising the Company's rate for this reason is poor business reasoning. The Company will continue to see declines in throughput as they keep raising their rates every two years. As an example, I will not replace my kitchen electric range with a gas range because City Gas Company is becoming less and less competitive.

2. Reason #2:

"The Company has incurred significant capital additions that need to be recognized in the rate base so that an adequate return on this investment can be obtained."

Response:

In many, if not all, cases City Gas charges new customers for the cost of new connections and services. If its customers have reimbursed City Gas, then the Company should not be allowed to include these additions into the rate base. Only City Gas investments of stockholder funds should be considered for inclusion into the rate base. I hope that the Florida Public Service Commission requires proof for all non-reimbursed company expenditures before any increase is allowed.

3. Reason #3:

The Company's operating expenses have increased due among another things, to inflation and ordinary customer growth.

Response:

The Company is making conflicting statements for increasing their rates. Number 1 (above) "The Company's natural gas throughput from residential and industrial customers has not grown at the rate projected in its last rate case." This statement does not agree with the Company's reasoning in their statement number 3 which says: "The company's operating expenses have increased due, among other things, to inflation and ordinary customer growth." The first statement implies that slow growth is a reason to increase rates while statement 3 implies that ordinary customer growth is a reason to raise the City Gas Company rates. Is the customer base growing or is it not growing? If the Company made incorrect overly optimistic projections, it is a management error. The City Gas Company should not be allowed to charge its customers for management inconsistencies and errors.



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The second reason in Statement 3 was "Inflation". Inflation is a Department of Labor Index that includes items such as cigarettes, food etc. "Inflation" is a term that only applies to City Gas in the form of increased costs of doing ordinary business. This statement sounds as though they are attempting to "double dip" their customers. City Gas is asking for increases covering all the City Gas rate structure. With this blanket statement, it sounds as though the Company is attempting to justify additional rate increases. All City Gas rate increases should be limited to only increased costs of doing ordinary business. The present inflation rate is about 3.5%. City Gas costs should not have increased beyond this amount. They are asking for residential Customer Charge increase more that double the inflation rate.

When one looks over the City Gas rate structure, it appears very obvious that the residential customer very heavily subsidizes the commercial and industrial customer. The industrial customer is a market area where City Gas Company does have some moderate competition from other suppliers. Since City Gas is reimbursed for its capital and operating expenses, why do you allow this inequitable rate structure? It is not fair or is it right to charge a residence almost three times the therm rate that City Gas charges their commercial and industrial customers.

One additional thought you should consider is that if you allow City Gas to increase its rates for the electric utilities within Florida, those same electric utility companies will be back before you asking for their electric rates to be increased again because City Gas rates have been raised again.

Please consider the reasoning and questions pointed out in this letter and take appropriate actions to keep City Gas rates reasonable, equitable and proper.

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October 22, 2000

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Director, Records and Reporting Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

1700 S. Merrimac Drive Merritt Island, FL 32952 October 16, 2000

ACCOUNT: 022101822620

RE: **DOCKET NO. 000768-GU**

Dear Sir or Madam:

I will be unable to attend the meeting on October 25, 2000 in Brevard County; however, I wanted to make/ask about two items.

I cannot tell from the information provided how it will affect the amounts I pay, especially during cold weather months. how much of an increase will this be for a residential customer?

Second: I have previously questioned the practice of City Gas Company of Florida regarding the necessity of billing me an "estimated" amount every other month. If they are going to do that, why not bill me once every two months?

Thank you for considering my comments and, hopefully, providing me with the answers to my questions.

Very truly yours,

Linda L. Frve

(321) 453-3450

Division of Consumer Affairs Florida Public Service Commission ECR 142540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

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PAI RGO City Gas Company of Florida 933 East 25th Street Hialeah, Florida 33013-3498



1700 S. Merrimac Drive

	ount Number -006724/ 916	Srvc 9971 BELVILLE RD For: MIAMI FL	Next Reading Date Nov 01 2000
Billing Type Residential Consol	Previous B. Payment Ap Remaining Current Ga. Utility Ta. Gross Rece	plied 09/28/00 - Thank You Balance s Charges	37.19 -37.19 .00 38.57 2.43 .96
			Please Pay This Amount By October 24, 2000 41.96

Late Charge Reminder: A 1.5% Late Payment Charge will be applied to any balance not paid by due date.

In celebration of National Customer Service Week this month, we thank you for being our customer. We value your business. Tired of writing checks? Enroll in "NUI Rapid Payment". Check the box next to the amount due on your payment stub and sign the reverse side.

How We Calculate Your Current Gas Charges

Meter	Type of	Billing	Days	Readir	ngs	Gas Used	Therm	Therms
Number	Reading	Period		old	new	(CCF)	Factor	Billed
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Rate Class	Therms Billed	Energy chg 28.1 X .54555	Gas Cost 28.1 X .57790	Basic Service Charge	Current Gas Charges
RES	28.1	15.33 +	16.24	7.00 =	38.57

For questions or service call 1-305-691-0313



For a gas leak call 1-305-693-4311

allahassee, Florida 32399-0850

RAR Official Filing:

11/6/00***** 12:27 PM*******Linda Williams********1

Linda Williams

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From:

Janice Banka

Sent:

Monday, November 06, 2000 12:29 PM

To:

RAR - Orders-Notices

Cc:

June Ariola

Subject:

Docket No. 000768-GU, #000817-GU, #000758-EI, 001186-EI,

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These four orders have been copied over to GCorders.

The document file names are: 00076801.mks, 000817or.mks, 00075802.mks and 001186or.mks. These orders will not be hand-delivered since they have no attachments not on line or signed by a Commissioner.

Thanks, hope this covers it. "J"

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110 Longwood Avenue
P.O. Box 565002
Rockledge, FL 32956-5002
(407) 636-2211
November 3, 2000



Director, Records and Reporting Florida Pubic Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

RE: Proposed Natural Gas Rate Increase NUI City Gas Company of Florida Docket No. 000768-GU

Dear Sir:

I would like to voice my objections to approval of the proposed rate increase for Natural Gas Transportation cost. The proposal in docket no. 000768-GU as requested by City Gas Company of Florida will result in a 23% increase for Wuesthoff Hospital to transport natural gas through the City Gas Company Gate. This percent increase will add over \$12,000 in expense to the cost of gas to the hospital during the next year.

This increase appears to be unjustified based on the state of the economy. While the cost of gas has almost doubled during the last year, and has resulted in additional expense in the range of \$ 100,000 to purchase, it has not added any additional expense for City Gas to transport the gas.

This appears to be a double hit in expense. At a time when we are paying unusually high prices to purchase natural gas, we are going to be faced with additional transportation charges. At least with the purchase problem, we have more than one company we can deal with and are not limited to a single source of supply. City Gas is the only company that can provide transport services, so we are locked into whatever price is set. The Public Service Commission is our only hope of receiving fair treatment related to transportation charges.

In our industry, we have had to look internally at reducing our operating expenses in order to survive in today's competitive health care market.

Perhaps it is time for gas companies to analyze their operations and find innovative ways to reduce their operating expense without increasing rates.

OPC PAI Proposed Natural Gas Rate Increase NUI City Gas Company of Florida Docket No. 000768-GU, cont. Page 2 of 2

Please give this letter some consideration as you decide what course of action the Public Service Commission will take in granting this requested rate increase.

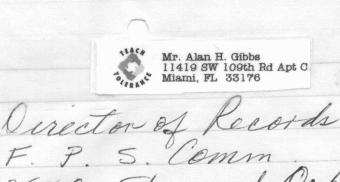
SINCERELY,

WILLIAM D. MURNER, C.H.E.

DIRECTOR

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2540 Shumard Oak Blod

Tallahassee

In Re: Dacket #000768-GU

City Gas Co of Fila. is not available by telephone because their lines are always busy

I have never been so frustrated a with a public utility.

I talked to the operation she transferred me to a number that did not answer and I was eventually out-off. Once again I spent count-less hours trying to reach them. I had to resolve a semple problem

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Nocember 29,2000

Docket No.000768-GU

Dear Director,

3028 Holly Street OT Titusville, Fl 32796

PSC's approved "interim" rate was not in the pamphlet provided by NUI for residences. The new energy charge (51.043 cents) plus the "conservation" factor found on the back of the pamphlet (8.32 cents) had to be added together and then compared to an old gas bill to find what the increase is. (you must have helped NUI design the pamphlet as the style is government at it's finest!)

The energy charge increase seems to be about 13% That is more than four times the inflation rate for last year or my social security. Do you really feel that you are protecting the public form undue increases your logic escapes me.

Sincerely,	J.	8	哥
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M-E-M-O-R-A-N-D-U-M

DATE:	<u>December 6, 2000</u>
TO:	DIVISION OF APPEALSDIVISION OF COMPETITIVE SERVICESXX_DIVISION OF ECONOMIC REGULATIONDIVISION OF LEGAL SERVICESDIVISION OF POLICY ANALYSIS & INTERAGENCY LIAISONDIVISION OF REGULATORY OVERSIGHTDIVISION OF SAFETY & ELECTRIC RELIABILITY
FROM:	DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING (Lockard)
RE:	CONFIDENTIALITY OF CERTAIN INFORMATION
	DOCUMENT NO: 15574-00 (x-ref. 14633-00)
	DESCRIPTION: Response to staff's 3 rd request for production of documents, Nos. 25 and 26
	SOURCE: City Gas Company of Florida DOCKET NO: 000768-GU
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7	The document(s) is (are), in fact, what the utility asserts it (them) to be.
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12/6/00*********11:41 AM*********Matilda Sanders*********1

Matilda Sanders

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From:

Carolyn Craig

Sent:

Wednesday, December 06, 2000 11:41 AM

To:

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Subject:

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An Amendatory Order has been transferred and is ready to be issued. The order will be handdelivered since the attachments are not on-line.

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FROM:	DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING (Lockard)
RE:	CONFIDENTIALITY OF CERTAIN INFORMATION
	DOCUMENT NO: 15876-00
	DESCRIPTION: Workpapers and documents in connection with staff's audit. (Audit No. 00-264-4-1) [x-ref. Dns 14581-00 and 14582-00]
	SOURCE: City Gas Company DOCKET NO: 000768-GU
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12/8/00

Dr. Peter R. Cimmino

937 KINGS POST ROAD ROCKLEDGE, FL 32955

TELEPHONE: (407) 638-3787

Florida Public Services Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blod. Tallahasse, FL 37399



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Dear Madams + Sis:

Permit me to object to the rate increase proposed by NUI / City Gas Company of Florida for the following reason.

Jiving entirely upon my Social Security benefits, the rate of increase, based upon cost of living, shall be 3.3% in January, 2001.

The role increase proposed is approprinately 10%, which appears unforward as to residential Service under these specific facts.

Thank you for your consideration of the

Sincerely, Peter Clumined

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Mr. Directar,
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Mr. Directar, Jesterday I received quite a Shock when I spened my gas
bill from NUI City Gas of Florida:
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FROM:	DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING (Flynn)
RE:	CONFIDENTIALITY OF CERTAIN INFORMATION DOCUMENT NO: 16055-00 (x-ref 15633-00) DESCRIPTION: Response to No. 24 in staff's 3rd request for production of documents
	SOURCE: City Gas Company of Florida
	DOCKET NO: 000768-GU

The above material was received with a request for confidentiality (attached). Please prepare a recommendation for the attorney assigned to the case by completing the section below and forwarding a copy of this memorandum, together with a brief memorandum supporting your recommendation, to the attorney. Copies of your recommendation should also be provided to the Division of Records and Reporting and to the Division of Appeals.

Please read each of the following and check if applicable.

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FROM:	DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING (Flynn)
RE:	CONFIDENTIALITY OF CERTAIN INFORMATION
	DOCUMENT NO: 16057-00 (x-ref 15276-00) DESCRIPTION: Response to No. 28 in staff's 4th request for production of documents
	SOURCE: City Gas Company of Florida
	DOCKET NO: 000768-GU
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FROM:	DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING (Flynn)
RE:	CONFIDENTIALITY OF CERTAIN INFORMATION
	DOCUMENT NO: 16059-00 DESCRIPTION: Exhibits 13 and 16 to staff's engineering report
	SOURCE: City Gas Company of Florida
	DOCKET NO: 000768-GU
recommend a copy of a attorney.	above material was received with a request for confidentiality (attached). Please prepare a dation for the attorney assigned to the case by completing the section below and forwarding this memorandum, together with a brief memorandum supporting your recommendation, to the Copies of your recommendation should also be provided to the Division of Records and and to the Division of Appeals.
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Pamela Johnson

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From:

Interactive.Slamming.Form@webserv2.electro-net.com

Sent:

Thursday, December 28, 2000 1:55 PM

Subject:

Slamming Complaint

recipient: CONTACT@PSC.STATE.FL.US return-email: CONTACT@PSC.STATE.FL.US

return-name: Consumer

subject: Electric & Natural Gas Improper Billing Complaint Form

Utility: City Gas Company of Florida Account Number: 211-0224364-012

Account Holder: Sean Conroy

Service Address: 7124 SW 114th Place Unit A City, State and Zip Code: Miami, Florida 33173

County: Dade Mailing Address=

Mailing City, State and Zip Code=

E-mail Address: sconroy@oceandevelopment.com

Telephone Number at the Service Address: 305-273-5547

Daytime Contact Telephone Number: 305-533-2903

Contacted company in dispute: YES

name of contact: Patty Cullinane, via e-mail

date of contact: 12/22/2000

comments: To: Florida Public Service Commission

Attn: Commissioners

Regarding: City Gas Company of Florida - Company Code GU-602

Regarding: My account number with the Gas Company 211-0224364-012

Regarding: Improper billing

To whom it may concern:

I sent the following e-mail (below) to Patty Cullinane (customer service representative at City Gas Company of Florida). The problem is the abuse of the "estimated bills" that I have been getting for gas usage. When I say abuse, I am not referring to the gas rates; I am referring to the estimated calculations on the meter readings. These estimated calculations on the meter readings are simply abusive.

But please read and review the e-mail (below) that I sent to the Gas Company and you will understand the magnitude of the abuse of these "estimated bills". You will also understand the seriousness of this problem for the millions of customers.

When you have finished reading and reviewing the e-mail (below) that I sent to the Gas Company, please review your "Docket No. 000768-GU". Hopefully you will understand

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that letting City Gas Company of Florida have a rate increase will only increase the amount of abuse towards its customers.

Sincerely and Best Regards,

Sean C. Conroy Senior Accountant

Hello Ms. Patty Cullinane,

Regarding: Account Number 211-0224364-012

Regarding: Estimate Bill for Billing Period 11/04/00 to 12/09/00

Dear Ms. Patty Cullinane:

The problem is the following:

I got mad when I received my "estimated bill" for the total amount of \$32.97 Dollars, for an "estimated" gas usage. I think this "estimated bill" is an abuse of your company. Your company is clearly over charging for the gas.

When I say overcharging, I am not talking about the energy rate (\$0.59365) charges or the gas rate (\$0.60302) costs or the basic service charge (\$7.00). When I say overcharging, I am referring to your company's estimated calculations on the meter readings. These estimated calculations on the meter readings are simply abusive.

You can check my previous "actual bill" and see that the total amount was \$18.53 Dollars, for an "actual" gas usage. Also you can check this "estimated bill" and see that the previous balance was the \$18.53 Dollars that I am referring to. I want to be clear in that your company knows that I pay my bill in full every month, so this previous balance is the previous month's "actual bill".

The appliances that I have and that are relatively new and in perfect working and energy saving conditions are the stove and the water heater. Those two appliances are the only ones that work directly with gas. The other appliances that I have are electrical. I use the stove for cooking and I use the water heater to shower, wash dishes (hand washing) and clothes (washing machine). I wash the dishes by hand (don't use dishwashing machine) because there are only three people in my household (Myself, My Wife and our ten month old, Baby). I wash only clothes and sheets with the washing machine and send comforters to the dry cleaners. We don't wash diapers because we buy the ones that you just use and throw away.

I have always been following your "actual bills" on my gas usage and I can tell you that my average gas bill (gas charges and taxes included) has been from \$20.00 to \$25.00 Dollars a month. If your company wants to check my previous "actual bills" they can go

ahead and I am sure that your company will come up with the same average.

I have let these kind of estimated bills go through in the previous years, especially in the winter months. The purpose of letting these kind of estimated bills go through, was that I thought your company would try to be more accurate when it comes to estimating calculations on meter readings. But I think that with this "estimated bill" for a total amount of \$32.97 Dollars that I received; your company has clearly failed to be more accurate when it comes to estimating calculations on meter readings and shows that it doesn't care about its customers. Another reason might be that we are at year-end and your company needs to show some profits to its Board of Directors and therefore your company is over estimating the gas usage of customers. By over estimating the gas usage, your company is only inflating or falsifying profits. I don't know if your company knows, but the Securities and Exchange Commission is against inflating or falsifying profits.

Please let your company know that its "estimated bills" is an abuse that should be stopped. Your company should hire more people to actually check the meter readings, so every month its customers would only get "actual bills".

If you have any answers or questions you can reach me during the daytime at (305)-533-2903 or during the nighttime at (305)-273-5547. Also my e-mail address is: sconroy@oceandevelopment.com

Sincerely and Best Regards,

Sean C. Conroy Senior Accountant 350 artemio Blod. Merritt Jo., FL 32953 0291-0343039 December 28, 2000

Director, Division of Records Reporting Re: Nocket # 000768-GU

have risen mationwide, and possibly, that a minor rate increase is called for but, and semphasize But, there is no reason to charge us 100 per month to read the meter when it is only read "every other month. Also, the estimated month is always much higher than the horm. I believe this is NUT is way to cir cumvent the Public Service Commission and raise its rates to increase and raise its rates to increase profits, which, if not completely illegal, it surely is unethical.

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Awaiting Response, M/m Herbert L. Carter

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Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services Blanca S. Bayó Director (850) 413-6770

Public Service Commission

August 21, 2001

Richard D. Melson, Esquire Hopping Law Firm Post Office Box 6526 Tallahassee, Florida 32314

Re: Return of Confidential Documents to the Source, Docket No. 000768-GU

Dear Mr. Melson:

Commission staff have advised that confidential Document Nos. 14633-00, 15276-00, 15574-00, 15633-00, 16055-00, 16057-00, and 16059-00 filed on behalf of NUI City Gas Company of Florida can be returned to the source. The documents are enclosed.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions concerning return of this material.

Sincerely,

Kay Flynn, Chief
Bureau of Records and Hearing Services

Enclosure

cc: Jay Revell, Division of Economic Regulation Marlene Stern, Division of Legal Services

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Public Service Commission

January 8, 2001

Richard D. Melson, Esquire Hopping Green Sams & Smith, P.A. Post Office Box 6526 Tallahassee, Florida 32314

Re: Return of Confidential Document to the Source, Docket No. 000768-GU

Dear Mr. Melson:

Commission staff have advised that confidential Document No. 15876-00 filed on behalf of City Gas Company of Florida, a division of NUI Corporation, can be returned to the source. The document is enclosed.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions concerning return of this material.

Sincerely,

Kay Flynn, Chief Bureau of Records

Enclosure

cc: Bob Freeman, Division of Regulatory Oversight Denise Vandiver, Division of Regulatory Oversight

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RAR Official Filing:

Matilda Sanders

From: Carolyn Craig

Sent: Monday, January 22, 2001 1:34 PM

To: RAR - Orders-Notices

Cc: Della Fordham; Patsy White; Jovon Snipes; Janet Harrison

Subject: Order in Docket 000768-GU

An Order Granting Request for Confidential Classification of Documents has been transferred and is ready to be issued. The order has been signed by Chairman Jacobs and will be hand-delivered.

Docket No. 000768-GU File Name: 000768o2.mks

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Public Service Commission

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DATE: January 25, 2001

TO: Blanca Bayó, Director, Records and Reporting

FROM: Jane Faurot, Chief, Bureau of Reporting

RE: DOCKET NO. 000768-GU, ITEM 14 OF PREHEARING CONFERENCE

HELD 1-16-01.

RE: REQUEST FOR RATE INCREASE BY CITY GAS COMPANY OF

FLORIDA.

DOCUMENT NO. 01009, 1-24-01

The transcript for the above proceedings has been completed and is forwarded for placement in the docket file, including attachments.

Please note that Staff distribution of this transcript was made to:

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Acknowledged BY:

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PSC/RAR 28 (Rev1/00)

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Matilda Sanders

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From:

Janice Banka

Sent:

Monday, February 05, 2001 2:31 PM

To:

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Cc:

Jovon Snipes; Patsy White; Della Fordham; Janet Harrison

Subject:

Docket No. 000768-EU

File Name: 000768o4.mks

This order has been copied over to GCOrders.

This order will be hand-delivered since it has 48 pages of attachments not on line.

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Thanks "J"

P. S. Hard Copies will be sent to Tech Div. with copies of the attachments.

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RAR Official Filing:

Matilda Sanders

6504 - CO

From:

Carolyn Craig

Sent:

Monday, March 05, 2001 8:49 AM

To:

RAR - Orders-Notices

Cc:

Della Fordham; Patsy White; Sharon Allbritton; Janet Harrison

Subject:

Orders

The following orders have been transferred to GC Orders and are ready to be issued.

Amendatory Order Docket 920260-TL File: 920260ao.rve

Consummating Order Docket 001763-GU File: 001763co.kw

Consummating Order Docket 000768-GU File: 000768co.mks

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