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Re: Florida Public Utilities Company; Docket No. 020003-GU

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing in this docket are an original and 10 copies of Florida Public Utilities Company's Amended Petition for Approval of Purchased Gas cost Recovery Factors, Amended Testimony of Cheryl Martin and Schedules E-1, E-1/R, E-2, E-3, E-4, and E-5.

The testimony was revised as follows:

- Page 2, Line 2: Added Schedule "E-1/R."
- Page 2, Line 15: Amount changed by \$18 to read "over-recovery of \$1,467,999."
- Page 2, Line 19: Amount changed by \$18 to read "under-recovery of \$1,234,930."

In the exhibit, Schedule E-1/R was inadvertently omitted from the initial filing and is now included as page 2 of 6 with subsequent pages renumbered. Also, lines 5 and 10 of Schedule E-2 for September were increased and decreased, respectively, by \$9. There was no change to Line 11, September or Total columns.

This testimony and exhibit should be used in lieu of that initial filed September 27, 2002.

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

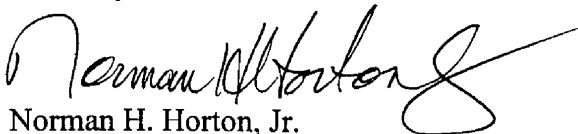
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Sincerely,


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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Purchased Gas Adjustment Recovery)
_____)

Docket No. 020003-GU
Filed: October 10, 2002

**AMENDED PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF
FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMPANY'S
PURCHASED GAS COST RECOVERY FACTOR**

Florida Public Utilities Company ("the Company"), through its undersigned attorneys and pursuant to the requirements of this docket, hereby petitions the Commission for approval of the Company's amended purchased gas cost recovery factors for the period January, 2003 through December, 2003. In support hereof, the Company states:

1) The Company is a natural gas utility company within the jurisdiction of this Commission. Its principal business address is:

401 South Dixie Highway
West Palm Beach, FL 33401

2) The name and address of the person authorized to receive notices and communications with respect to this Petition are:

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3) Pursuant to the requirements of this Docket, the Company has prefiled the amended purchased gas cost recovery forms supplied by the Electric & Gas Department in a manner consistent with the Department's instructions.

4) As indicated in the amended prefiled forms, the Company experienced an overrecovery of \$1,467,999 for the period January, 2001 through December, 2001 and estimates an

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underrecovery of \$1,234,930 for the period January, 2001 through December, 2001, for a total overrecovery of \$233,069. Based upon estimated sales of 48,463,120, it will be necessary to subtract 0.481 cents per therm to refund this overrecovery.

5) The Company has also projected its purchased gas costs for the period January, 2003 through December, 2003. As indicated in the amended accompanying schedules, the maximum purchased gas cost recovery factor is 82.860 cents per therm. This rate includes projected cost of gas purchased, prior period true-up, and revenue tax factors, and is based upon projected sales.

WHEREFORE, Florida Public Utilities Company petitions the Commission to approve the foregoing amended purchased gas cost recovery factors, to be applied to customer bills for the period January, 2003 through December, 2003, and to billings thereafter until other purchased gas cost recovery factors are approved by the Commission.

DATED this 10th day of October, 2002.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that true and correct copies of Florida Public Utilities Company's Amended Petition for Approval of Purchased Gas Cost Recovery Factor in Docket No. 020003-GU have been served by hand delivery (*) and/or U. S. Mail this 10th day of October, 2002 upon the following:

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