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Docket 020003-GU

Dear Ms. Bayó:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of NUI City Gas Company of Florida are the original and fifteen copies of its Prehearing Statement.

Please acknowledge receipt and filing of the above by stamping the duplicate copy of this letter and returning it to me. Please call me if you have any questions at 850/425-2313.

Very truly yours,

Richard D. Melson

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### BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

	e: Purchase Gas Adjustment A) True-up	) ) )	Docket No. Filed: Octol	020003-GU per 25, 2002
CITY GAS COMPANY OF FLORIDA'S PREHEARING STATEMENT				
	Pursuant to the requirements of the Order on Procedure (Order No. PSC			
02-0336-PCO-GU), NUI City Gas Company of Florida ("City Gas") hereby				
submits its Prehearing Statement.				
A.	Known Witnesses			
	City Gas intends to offer the direct testimony of Thomas Kaufmann.			
	Thomas Kaufmann	Issue	s 1-5	
В.	Known Exhibits			
	City Gas intends to sponsor the following exhibits:			
	Kaufmann	TK-1		Final Fuel Over/ Under Recovery
		TK-2		Schedules E-1

# C. <u>Basic Position</u>

City Gas has appropriately calculated its true-up amounts and purchased gas adjustment factor as shown in the Company's positions on Issues 1-4.

Winter, E-1, E-1/R E-2, E-3, E-4, E-5

#### D.-F. <u>Issues</u>

City Gas' position on the issues identified in the Order on Procedure are

as follows:

<u>Issue 1</u>: What are the appropriate final purchased gas adjustment true-up

amounts for the period January 2001 through December 2001?

City Gas: \$1,370,047 over-recovery

Issue 2: What are the estimated purchased gas adjustment true-up

amounts for the period January 2002 through December 2002?

City Gas: \$739,924 under-recovery

Issue 3: What are the total purchased gas adjustment true-up amounts to

be collected or refunded during the period January 2003 through

December 2003?

City Gas: \$630,123 over-recovery

<u>Issue 4</u>: What are the appropriate levelized purchased gas cost recovery

(cap) factors for the period January 2003 through December

2003?

City Gas: 79.429 cents/therm

Issue 5: What should be the effective date of the new purchased gas

adjustment charge for billing purposes?

<u>City Gas:</u> The factors should be effective for all meter readings on or after

January 1, 2003 and should apply for bills rendered for meter

readings taken between January 1, 2003 and December 31, 2003.

### G. Stipulated Issues

City Gas is not a party to any stipulations at this time, although it believes that it should be possible to reach a stipulation on each of the above issues as they relate to City Gas.

## H. Pending Motions

City Gas has no pending motions or other matters requiring attention at this time.

### I. Pending Confidentiality Requests

City Gas has no pending confidentiality requests.

### J. Compliance With Order on Procedure

City Gas believes that this Prehearing Statement fully complies with the requirements of the Order on Procedure.

#### K. Objections to Witness Qualifications

City Gas has no objection to the qualifications of any expert witness.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 25th day of October, 2002.

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