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Re: Return of Confidential Documents to the Source, Docket No. 030569-GU

Dear Mr. Perko:

Commission staff have advised that Confidential Document Nos. 12971-03 and 13625-03, filed on behalf of 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

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cc: Ralph R. Jaeger, Office of the General Counsel Matthew G. Brinkley, Division of Economic Regulation

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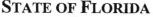
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cc: Denise Vandiver, Division of Regulatory and Consumer Assistance Ralph Jaeger, Office of the General Counsel

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#### **Ruth Nettles**

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From: Ruth N

Ruth McHargue

Sent:

Monday, August 18, 2003 9:01 AM

To:

**Ruth Nettles** 

Subject: FW: E-Form Other Complaints - 8485

Good morning,

This appears to be docketed correspondence.

----Original Message----From: Angie Calhoun

Sent: Monday, August 18, 2003 8:47 AM

To: Ruth McHargue

Subject: FW: E-Form Other Complaints - 8485

To CCA - Docket # 030569

----Original Message----

From: contact@psc.state.fl.us [mailto:contact@psc.state.fl.us]

Sent: Saturday, August 16, 2003 9:32 AM

To: contact@psc.state.fl.us

Subject: E-Form Other Complaints - 8485

### **TRACKING NUMBER - 0008485 August 16, 2003**

#### SERVICE ADDRESS

Account Number: 221-0491226-001

Business Account Name: Name: James Craigs

Address: 4356 Four Lakes Drive

City: Melbourne Zip: 32940

#### **CUSTOMER INFORMATION**

Name: James Craigs

Address: 4356 Four Lakes Drive

City: Melbourne

State: FL Zip: 32940

E-mail: jcraigs@cfl.rr.com Contact By: E-mail Address

#### **COMPLAINT INFORMATION**

Utility Name: GU602 City Gas Company of Florida

Did customer previously contact the utility?: Did customer previously contact the PSC?:

#### PROBLEM INFORMATION

Problem Type: Other Complaints

Complaint Detail: The proposed 13.4% rate increase is way out of line! This company needs better management, not

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more money to waste like all of the other big corporations. Their billing estimate are always wrong, so that they can collect more money that they are NOT owed. They only read meters bi-monthly and if you don't send the money that they ESTIMATE that you owe, you are in default. Their last increase was 0.25% and now they want 13.4% more??? Sure sounds like mismanagement to me! The rest of us don't see increases in our pay checks, so why should a big corp like NUI get one? The more that you give them, the more that they want! JUST SAY NO! Make them re-structure and cut down on their wastes. You can bet the next house I build will be totally electric. This is the biggest rip-off of all the utilities in The Sate of Florida! VOTE NO!

For PSC Webmaster Use Only: Mozilla/4.0 (compatible; MSIE 6.0; Windows NT 5.1; Hotbar 4.3.1.0; .NET CLR 1.1.4322) http://www.psc.state.fl.us/consumers/complaint/review.cfm www.psc.state.fl.us

Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Ref: Doc # 03-05-69

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Dear Sirs:

City Gas is seeking a rate increase of **13.4%**, which is outrageous. I believe I speak for all the other 40,000 Brevard customers when I plead with the Florida Public Service Commission not to grant such a high rate of increase.

The company just had a rate increase in 2001. The company should look at reducing their own operating costs instead of just passing it on to the consumer.

Thank You for you're your consideration in this matter.

Donald F. Hernick 443 Cynthia Place Melbourne Florida 32940-7774 COMMISSION

Mr Donald F Hernick 443 Cynthia Pl Melbourne, FL 32940





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Docket #03-05-69 NUI Rate Therease !!!

No! The 13.4 % increase request is ridiculous! These guys already charge too much. Wish my teachers retirement increased this much!

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Ms. Marilyn W. Camden 2842 Davis Ln. Rockledge, FL 32955-3506



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Subject: Docket # 03-05-69
Proposed City Gas Rate Increase
I do not think a base rate-increase is fair to all customers. It City Gas must have an increase, it should be based on the amount of therms used per customer. The customers should have some control over the cost of their utilities. After all, we too feel the impact of the continuing sluggish economy, and may be forced to choose alternative fuels or turn off the switch. We are not all wealthy and can afford everything.

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Martin Kaplan D.M.D., F.A.G.D. 511 Shell Cove Drive Melbourne, Fl 32940-8109 (321) 242-8292

August 16, 2003

Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd Tallahassee, Fl 32399-0850

Dear Florida Public Service Commission:

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The article in the Florida Today newspaper concerning a rate increase for the City Gas division of Nui Gas Company certainly leaves one with a feeling of being again duped. The public is well aware that a company asks for more than necessary expecting the original percentage to be reduced if granted.

Having no competition and only answering to the public and the unions and knowing the later may put them out of business if not granted demands they always come back to the public to support their giveaways.

There is no mention of reduction in waste, overpaying and cost effective management. There is no mention of the elimination of pilot lights on furnaces and stoves cutting into profit margins. There is no mention of retrofitting of existing water heaters to also eliminate pilot lights or support of companies that do so. There is no mention of support of new products conserving use of this natural resource. There is also no mention of the quality of natural gas delivered at different times of the year.

It seems that conservation of the public is always rewarded by rate increases and this is no exception.

Respectfully,

Martin Kaplan DMD, FAGD

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Florida Public Services Commission 2540 Shumard Rd. Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

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Dear Sirs:

I am writing expressing my concern of the highly unreasonable request by City Gas Company for a 13.4% raise in natural gas prices in Brevard County.

Such a raise (any raise) is unconscionable in today's poor economy and high unemployment rates. They claim the raise is requested because of "the impact of continuing sluggish economy". Duh!

Without a job and the poor economy, why should I (the little) guy be penalized in order to pay for some CEO's high salary? Suggest getting better management and quit passing on price rises to the customers.

Kindly disapprove of any natural gas price raises in Florida. Thank you for listening.

Sincerely yours,

J.P. Stroud

J.P. and Marliese Stroud 1035 Fieldstone Drive Melbourne, FL 32940

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If the entire increase requested by City Gas is granted, the average residential bill of 18 therms per month will increase about 13.4 percent, or from \$31.43 per month to \$35.65. Other customers, business accounts, for example, will see in-

### **How to comment**

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Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850. The request's docket number is 03-05-69.

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Stephen V. Kroecker 3747 S Ridoe Cir. Titusville, FL 32796 OR CINA/8/21/03 Re: City Das Rate Increase 13.40% Dochet # 03-05-69 AUG 2 5 2003 Gentlemen would like to obligated & o Rause 670. Thank You. CCA - Clerk Beina dette horder 030569

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Florida Public Service Commilssion 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd.
Tallahassee. Fl. 32399-0850

Docket #03-05-69

To whom it may concern:

It is very difficult for the average consumer to realize whether an utility company deserves a raise. However, regarding the service this company provides I have had difficulty dealing with them.

If you call for any information their first reply is "That will be a \$65.00 service charge." If you are trying to find out if the meter is correct or not and you ask when it was replaced, they refuse to answer. It is my understanding that they are to be replaced every ten years and to my knowledge mine has not been. Even their service people agree that their public relations are pretty bad.

In view of incidents like this I feel the research for the raise should be very thorough as to how good se rvice to their customers will be. Thank you for asking for comments regarding this company. I hope their is an equitable way to settle this.

Sincerely,

Nita Fernandez

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Mrs. Edward Fernandez 1108 Parkside Pl Indn Hbr Bch, FL 32937 CLERK

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Dear Dr. Bane:	DATE 10/8/53 FROM 6/8/3	3,	

As you know, I have expressed interest in being considered for the General Counsel position at the Commission when Harold McLean retires on November 1<sup>st</sup>.

Attached is a current resume which details my professional and managerial experience. Also attached is a completed State of Florida Employment application.

Under Rule 4-1.11 of the Florida Bar's Rules of Professional Conduct, a lawyer serving as a public employee shall not participate in a matter in which the lawyer participated personally and substantially while in private practice. This rule would preclude me from participating on behalf of the Commission in the following open dockets:

Docket No. 000694-WU: Water Management Services Limited Proceeding Fast Access Proceeding Docket No. 020507-TL: Docket No. 030003-GU: Purchased Gas Adjustment Natural Gas Conservation Cost Recovery Docket No. 030004-GU: Docket No. 030007-EI: **Environmental Cost Recovery Docket** MCI High Capacity Complaint against BellSouth Docket No. 030103-TP: Docket No. 030222-GU: City Gas Depreciation Docket Docket No. 030569-GU: City Gas Rate Case

Docket No. 030711-EI: Progress Energy Environmental Program Approval

If you or any of the Commissioners have further questions regarding my qualifications and interest in the position, please feel free to contact me at (850) 425-2313.

Sincerely,

Richard D. Melson

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October 7, 2003

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COMMISSION CLERK

Mark S. Ottalagano 137 Dellwood Court S.E. Palm Bay, Fl 32909

Directors, Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Fl 32399-0850 Docket No. 030569--GU

Dear Director,

I'm writing to you on the proposed increase on the basic service charge. I see that the increase in my bill will be double the money I pay now. This is not fair for the consumer to pay double the amount for basic service. That is not a fair increase for me or anyone else. I reject this amount for the basic service. I hope more people will response to this letter you sent to us with their disapproval to the increase.

Sincerely,

Mark Ottalagano

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Alan E. Wolfe 12421 S.W. 106<sup>th</sup> St. Miami, Fl. 33165 RECEIVED FPSC

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Dear Director,

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October 13, 2003

Once again, NUI City Gas is attempting to rip off the residential customer (the working guy) by requesting a huge rate increase as well as an interim rate increase. And again they have scheduled a meeting in Coral Gables at 6PM (Oct 29), a time that most customers/residents will find difficult or impossible to attend, myself included.

A meeting on the interim rate increase request already took place, prior to my receiving the rate increase notice from NUI City Gas. A second meeting was scheduled for Tuesday (10/7), only two days after receiving this notice. Clearly NUI City Gas is once again attempting to sneak in under the radar of the captive consumer. This situation afforded me no opportunity to write my objections to the PSC prior to the "Staff recommendation on Interim rates" or the "Agenda Conference on Interim Rates" meetings.

When unmasked it is clear that this proposed rate increase materializes as a large subsidy for commercial users (who earn profit), unlike the residential user who uses gas for everyday living requirements. It is also a potential windfall for NUI profits. This also is an attempt to make the company appear more attractive to prospective buyers, since the **Board of Directors of NUI City Gas has voted to sell the company.** The scam is now clearly unmasked.

Please allow me point out some examples of what NUI City Gas is attempting to unleash and perpetrate upon its Florida residential customers during these difficult economic times.

NUI City Gas proposes to consolidate commercial, industrial and residential customers into one pricing scheme. This will result in **substantial decreases in cost for the industrial and commercial users** and **substantial increases for the residential user** by all who use 0-5999 therms per year. According to my calculations, the GS600 **residential user**, for example, would see an **increase of 166%** in their customer charge, while in almost every case the **commercial/-industrial user** would enjoy a substantial **decrease** in customer charge, as high as **63%** (except GS600 commercial sees no change). For some customers, NUI City Gas also wants to raise their "per therm" rate as well.

Among the ludicrous reasons NUI cites for this insane and baseless rate increase are: increases in pension and health care costs, economic downturn due to the tragic events on 9/11, and increases in corporate costs. We have all suffered economically from these events and had to more effectively manage our available financial resources. NUI City Gas must do the same.

I wonder what the compensation dollar amount is for the top NUI City Gas management?

I am a 33 year veteran teacher who has not seen a pay raise in 2 years, yet I must continue meet my financial obligations by prudent planning and careful use of available assets, even as the cost of living rises. City gas needs to institute more effective financial planning and use of current resources, streamline capital spending and implement more effective use of resources on hand, as we all must. NUI City Gas must not be permitted by the PSC to strong arm more dollars from the working people, in an attempt to realize a higher profit margin and make the company more attractive to potential buyers. The PSC is mandated to work to protect the interest of the public. Since NUI is a monopoly, the consumer does not have the benefit of looking for the best price for natural gas and going to that supplier. We are captive customers and thus must rely on the PSC and our elected officials to protect us from being exploited by the public utilities.

Please once again assist me and your other constituents who are NUI customers by denying this blatant attempt to bilk the NUI customers out of \$10,489,305. Thank you.

Alan E. Wolfe 12421 S.W. 106th St. Miami El 33186

Miami, FI 33186 (305) 271-6630

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Mr. & Mrs. Nelson E. McFadden, Jr 3501 S.W. 126 Avenue Miami, Florida. 33175-2922

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DIRECTOR, DIVISION OF THE COMMISSION CLERK And ADMINISTRATION SERVICES FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION 2540 SHUMARD OAK BOULEVARD TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA 32399-0850 October 10, 2003

DEAR SIR or MADAM;

I am unable to ascertain what I will be charged should the proposed changes be implemented.

I am a 0-99 Annual Therm user, which puts me in the PROPOSED RATE SCHEDULE class GS-1, with a current rate of \$7.50, that is shown as BASIC SERVICE CHARGE on my current bill. (COPY ENCLOSED)

The next item I have trouble with, and the most confusing, is their "DISTRIBUTION CHARGE, per therm". I only see an item listed as ENERGY CHG, with a present rate of \$0.49367. My bill shows a per therm rate of .58591 cents. The bill also lists a GAS COST of .69347 cents per therm.

The question becomes – is the new "DISTRIBUTION CHARGE, per therm" in addition to the current billed ENERGY CHG and the GAS COST or is it in lieu of one or both of the present charges???????

With all the different ANNUAL THERM classifications, I count 27 more, could many others encounter similar difficulty in trying to determine what their new cost would amount to??

Yours truly,

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# APPENDIX A CITY GAS COMPANY OF FLORIDA COMPARISON OF PRESENT AND PROPOSED RATES

Your annual usage in therms appears above your name on the address label of this document.

The Company is proposing substantial changes to its traditional customer classes and rate schedules. As proposed, the current residential, commercial and industrial classifications are replaced by 11 volumetric-based rate schedules, without regard to customer type. Under the proposed rate structure, there is no distinction between sales and transportation service or between firm and interruptible service.

The following table provides information to enable customers to compare rates under the existing classes to the proposed classes. For example, the proposed General Service 1-99 therm volumetric class (Rate Schedule GS-1) does not distinguish between residential, commercial and industrial customers. The information below has been separated to display GS-1 residential rates and GS-1 non-residential rates to allow customers to more easily compare the current and proposed rates. The Company is not proposing two GS-1 rate classes. The information is presented in this format solely for purposes of clarifying the Company's proposal.

In addition, the Flexible Gas Service, Contract Demand Service, and Off-System Sales rate schedules are not included in the rate comparisons. Rates for these schedules are established by negotiation.

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Annual Therms	PROPOSED RATE SCHEDULE (PRESENT RATE SCHEDULE SHOWN IN PARENTHESIS)	PRESENT RATES	Proposed Rates	Annual Therms	Proposed Rate Schedule (Present Rate Schedule Shown In Parenthesis)	PRESENT RATES	PROPOSED RATES
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0-99	GS-1 (Commercial Sales: CS) Customer Charge, per month Distribution Charge, per therm	\$20.00 \$0.23877	\$9.25 \$0.5547	6,000- 24,999	GS-6k (Commercial Sales: CS) Customer Charge, per month Distribution Charge, per therm	\$20.00 \$0.23877	\$33.00 \$0.2882
0-99	GS-1 (Small Commercial Transportation: S Customer Charge, per month Distribution Charge, per therm	\$25.00 \$0.23877	\$9.25 \$0.5547	6,000- 24,999	GS-6k (Small Commercial Transportation: S Customer Charge, per month Distribution Charge, per therm	SCTS) \$25.00 \$0.23877	\$33.00 \$0.2882
100-219	GS-100 (Residential Sales: RS) Customer Charge, per month Distribution Charge, per therm	\$7.50 \$0.49367	\$12.00 \$0.4780	25,000- 59,999	GS-25k (Commercial Sales: CS) Customer Charge, per month Distribution Charge, per therm	\$20.00 \$0.23877	\$130.00 \$0.2759
100-219	GS-100 (Commercial Sales: CS) Customer Charge, per month Distribution Charge, per therm	\$20.00 \$0.23877	\$12.00 \$0.4780	25,000- 59,999	GS-25k (Small Commercial Transportation: Customer Charge, per month Distribution Charge, per therm	SCTS) \$25.00 \$0.23877	\$130.00 \$0.2759
100-219	GS-100 (Small Commercial Transportation Customer Charge, per month Distribution Charge, per therm	\$25.00 \$0.23877	\$12.00 \$0.4780	60,000- 119,999	GS-60k (Commercial Sales: CS) Customer Charge, per month Demand Charge, per DCQ* (in therms)	\$20.00 \$	\$185.00 \$0.725
220-599	GS-220 (Residential Sales: RS) Customer Charge, per month Distribution Charge, per therm	\$7.50 \$0.49367	\$15.00 \$0.4367	60,000- 119,999	Distribution Charge, per therm GS-60k (Small Commercial Transportation: Customer Charge, per month	\$0.23877 SCTS) \$25.00	\$0.2580 \$185.00
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220-599	GS-220 (Small Commercial Transportation Customer Charge, per month Distribution Charge, per therm	\$25.00 \$0.23877	\$15.00 \$0.4367	249,999	Customer Charge, per month Demand Charge, per DCQ* (in therms) Distribution Charge, per therm	\$50.00 \$ \$0.17847	\$300.00 \$0.725 \$0.1430
600-1,199	GS-600 (Residential Sales: RS) Customer Charge, per month Distribution Charge, per therm	\$7.50 \$0.49367	\$20.00 \$0.3856	120,000- 249,999	GS-120k (Commercial Transportation: CTS) Customer Charge, per month Demand Charge, per DCQ* (in therms)	\$55.00 \$	\$300.00 \$0.725
600-1,199	GS-600 (Commercial Sales: CS) Customer Charge, per month Distribution Charge, per therm	\$20.00 \$0.23877	\$20.00 \$0.3856	250,000- 1,249,999	Distribution Charge, per therm GS-250k (Interruptible Sales: IP/CI) Customer Charge, per month	\$0.17847 \$100.00	\$0.1430 \$500.00
600-1,199	GS-600 (Small Commercial Transportation: Customer Charge, per month Distribution Charge, per therm	SCTS) \$25.00 \$0.23877	\$20.00 \$0.3856	250,000-	Demand Charge, per DCQ* (in therms) Distribution Charge, per therm GS-250k (Interruptible Transportation: ITS/C	\$ \$0.15787 I-TS)	\$0.725 \$0.1309
1,200- 5,999	GS-1.2k (Residential Sales: RS) Customer Charge, per month Distribution Charge, per therm	\$7.50 \$0.49367	\$25.00	1,249,000	Customer Charge, per month Demand Charge, per DCQ* (in therms) Distribution Charge, per therm	\$175.00 \$ \$0.15787	\$500.00 \$0.725 \$0.1309
1,200- 5,999	GS-1.2k (Commercial Sales: CS) Customer Charge, per month Distribution Charge, per therm	\$20.00 \$0.23877	\$0.3062 \$25.00 \$0.3062	1,250,000+	GS-1,250k (Interruptible Large Volume Sale Customer Charge, per month Demand Charge, per DCQ* (in therms) Distribution Charge, per therm	s: IL/CI-LV) \$250.00 \$ \$0.11198	\$800.00 \$0.725 \$0.1013

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Current Gas Charges
10.00
-10.00

Current Gas Charges Utility Tax Gross Receipt Tax

Rapid Pay Amount

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We have separated our appliance and gas utility service centers. Please note the appropriate ph numbers listed on the bottom of your bill.

This month we are pleased to introduce Speak Easy, our new voice-activated customer service system. Please see the enclosed bill insert for details.

Late Charge Reminder: A 1.5% Late Payment Charge will be applied to any balance not paid by due date.
Your NUI Rapid Payment appears above. Please note that this amount will be debited from your checking account on 10/6. To prevent this deduction and alter your method of payment, please call 1-888-255-1100 (corrected number) by 10/3

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### Ruth Nettles \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

#### **Ruth Nettles**

To:

**Nekey Garcia** 

Cc:

Felicia Banks; Ralph Jaeger; Matt Brinkley

Subject:

FW: Other

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I will print this e-mail for BellSouth's Docket 030869.

Ralph, I will also print this e-mail for Docket 030569. Instead of doing distribution viainteroffice mail, I'm copying OPR staff and GCL staff of Docket 030569. Thanks.

----Original Message----

From: contact@psc.state.fl.us [mailto:contact@psc.state.fl.us]

Sent: Wednesday, October 08, 2003 5:36 PM

To: CAF Internet Mail

Subject: Other

October 08, 2003

Contact Information:

Name: Linda Frye Company: N/A

Primary Phone: 3214533450 Secondary Phone: 3214533450 E-mail: lfrye@cfl.rr.com

#### Comments:

Last week I wrote to you concerning Bell South requesting a rate increase. I have now read that for people who make only a few long distance calls, the new system being requested will be of no benefit.

First, I do not wish to pay more for telephone service. It is high enough as it is with all the extra charges.

Second, it seems that if this request is approved, I will be penalized because we do not make very many long distance calls. That hardly seems fair.

A few days ago, I received a notice that NUI Utilities, operator of City Gas Company of Florida is requesting a rate increase.

If I remember correctly, FPL has gotten at least 2 rate increases this year alone, now, add Bell South and the gas company.

My mother and I live on a fixed income. She is 86 and I am disabled and 65. How much do you think the seniors can continue to pay. As it is, many seniors have to decide whether to buy medications needed or eat.

Can you not have mercy on us????

Regarding NUI City Gas billing practices. I understand that they are allowed estimate the bill. At least they do every other month. I would like to request either (1) an actual bill each month or (2) bill me every 2 months. The statements NEVER show a credit for the previous estimated month, nor do they show an add-on that should have been on the previous months bill had it been read. What can you do?

Yes, I wish to be contacted

For PSC Webmaster Use Only:

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State of Florida

# Public Service Commission

## **NEWS RELEASE**

October 3, 2003 Contact: 850-413-6482

# Amended Release-Item of Interest at Upcoming Agenda Conference, 10/7/03

TALLAHASSEE -- The following item is among those scheduled for consideration by the Commission at the October 7, 2003, Agenda Conference.

ITEM 9 - DOCKET NO. 030569-GU - APPLICATION FOR RATE INCREASE BY CITY GAS COMPANY OF FLORIDA. The Commission will address issues associated with City Gas Company of Florida's petition for a permanent rate increase.

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#### **Ruth Nettles**

To:

Ruth McHargue

Cc:

Matt Brinkley; Ralph Jaeger

Subject: FW: Proposed Rate Increase

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hanks, Ruth. I will print for docket file. I've copies GCL and ECR for this e-mail distribution.

---Original Message-----From: Ruth McHarque

sent: Tuesday, October 14, 2003 11:15 AM

To: Ruth Nettles C: Diane Hood

Subject: FW: Proposed Rate Increase

Hi Ruth.

Jocket correspondence for the City Gas rate increase docket.

---Original Message----

From: Diana Falise

Sent: Tuesday, October 14, 2003 11:00 AM

Fo: Ruth McHargue

Subject: FW: Proposed Rate Increase

---Original Message----

**:rom:** Octaclari@aol.com [mailto:Octaclari@aol.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 14, 2003 10:57 AM

o: contact@psc.state.fl.us

Subject: RE: Proposed Rate Increase

October 14, 2003

Florida Public Service Commission

Jocket No. 030569-GU

Dear Sir/Madam:

I am writing to you to protest a proposed rate increase by City Gas Company of Florida.

This is not the time for a rate increase. The economy is bad and there are a lot of people out of work, myself included. A lot of people will not be able to afford this increase.

Therefore, I am urging you to not allow this proposed increase. Your cooperation is this matter is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely Yours,

Octavio J. Rivero octaclari@aol.com

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SUBJECT: DOCKET NO.

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W. Donald Brown 555 Captains Row Merritt Is., FL 32952

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DIRECTOR

REGARding City GAS Company of FLORIDA PROPOSED RATE INCREASE.

1. ALMOST EVERY ONE AND NEARLY EVERY
business has suffered from an economic
downturn post 9/11/01. Why should This
dictate A SUBSTANTIAL RATE INCREASE?

2. Capital Additions is a Cost of AN ON going business. Also my subdivision is 40 plus years old. Our Transmission Lines and maters have produced a TREMEN down profit over The years.

3. This is A REAL good REASON to RAISE
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The EXTIRE CUSTOMER BASE.

This corporation has a monopoly on This service area as do The Power and water UTILITIES.

City Gos Company of Florida to get Away with this preposterous rate Tricreased then surely the other utilities will be able to efford Gos, Elec: Water or phone Sendice.

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RECYCLING FACILITY Bldg, 631, Rescue Road Patrick AFB, Florida 32925 AUS \_

October 10, 2003

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

Re: 2210356923 11 BCARC Inc.

Dear Director:

This letter is in response the information received regarding the proposed rate increase for City Gas Company of Florida. We are a Not for Profit agency working with individuals with disabilities. Currently our rates for service were decreased by the State making it very difficult to operate. We have had to restructure programs to hopefully break even. In this field we are never given any increases from funding sources to make up for increased cost of living. We are asking for the proposed rates to be declined.

Sincerely,

Lvnn Hudson

Vice President/CFO

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AND ALL OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS TO THE CUSTOMERS OF OITY GAS COMPANY OF FLORIDA NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS AND NOTICE OF CUSTOMER MEETINGS BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

APPLICATION FOR A RATE INCREASE BY OITY GAS COMPANY OF FLORIDA HE: DOCKET NO. 030569-GU

Puede pedir la versión en español de esta notificación llamando a DATED: SEPTEMBER 29, 2003

City Gas Company of Florida al 1-800-347-4427, extensión 5222.

City Gas Company of Florida nan 1-800-347-4427, estansyon 5222. Pou ou jwen tradiksyon nan kreyol anons sa a, tanpri rele

Company also requested an interim rate increase of \$3,548,987 be put into effect pending final action on the permanent rate increase. On August 15, 2003, City Gas Company of Florida ("the Company"), an operating division of NUI Utilities, Inc., filed a request for a rate increase with the Florida Public Service Commission ("Commission") in its Docket No. 030569-GU for approval to increase annual revenues by \$10,489,305. The

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

- projected in its last rate case, due in part to the economic downturn following the events of September 11, 2001. The Company's natural gas throughput from residential, commercial and industrial customers has not grown at the rate
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- these cost increases are due to external factors that affect businesses in all industries. increased medical insurance costs, increased property and liability insurance costs, and increased corporate governance costs. Many of The Company's operating expenses have increased due, among other things, to inflation and customer growth, increased pension costs, (8

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Puede pedir la versión en español de esta notificación llamando a DATED: SEPTEMBER 29, 2003

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I am writing to take the opportunity to address my thoughts on the rate hike request by City Gas of Florida.

I built my home in 1991 and got rebates for a gas water heater and gas furnace. I also leased a gas clothes dryer which I still have. My complaint is that contrary to what one so often hears, gas is not cheaper than electricity. My bill averages over twenty five dollars a month for just my wife and I. What is really crazy is that the gas cost is usually around seven dollars but by the time all of the charges are added like the customer charge of \$7.50 and an energy charge of five to ten dollars and the seven dollar bill inflates to over twenty dollars. And now they want a rate increase on top of a monthly customer charge increase. So now they want me to pay them \$111 a year just to be their customer? Can someone explain to me why I should want to continue to use natural gas?

Guess what? I think switching to electric makes more sense.

Thank you

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October 15, 2003

Florida Public Service Commission, fax # 1-800-511-0809

To:

Re.: proposed rate increase of City Gas Company

My comments are as follows:



There is not one company that is guaranteed a profit, or certain rate of return on it's investment. If they went into business with that thought, they should have put their money into a bank Certificate of Deposit. For City Gas to complain that "Its overall rate of return during the historic base year ending September 30, 2002 was 5.41%" and that "The utility projects that this return will drop to 2.91% for the year ending September 30, 2004" is a comical reason to raise the rates of the consumer to boost their bottom line.

I should be so lucky to receive 2.91% interest on my meager savings.

I am not so naive as to believe there is no such thing as "creative accounting." Just look at Enron, Worldcom, K-Mart and all the other companies that took and are continuing to take the consumer for a ride. Accountants can make numbers say anything they want. If they need a profit, there it is. If they need a loss, the identical numbers can be made out to be a loss.

The present rate is \$7.50 per month and the proposed rate is \$9.25. This is a 23.33% increase. They are not happy with asking for that rate increase, they also want to gouge the consumer with an additional 12.36% increase in the per therm from \$0.49367 to \$0.5547.

I cannot find the \$0.49367 on my bill. What I do have is an "Energy charge" of .58591 times the number of therms used and an additional "Gas Cost" of .59297 times the number of therms used and those figures are added to the Basic Service Charge of \$7.50. Am I already being gouged/overcharged or is the \$0.49367 something else to be added to the bill?

To that, the entire "Utility tax, Gross Receipt Tax and Franchise Tax" paid is 16.45% of the total gas charges. Therefore, if the rates are increased, even if the "Utility tax, Gross Receipt Tax and Franchise Tax" is not increased, it will be based on a higher amount increasing the bill even further.

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- 1 throughput from customers has not grown at the rate projected in its last rate case, due in part to the economic downturn following the events of September 11, 2001
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- 3 operating expenses have increased due to among other things -- customer growth.

Items one and three seem to contradict each other. Customers has not grown as stated in #1 and customer growth in #3. Either the number of customers has grown or it hasn't grown. They can't have it both ways.

In addition, I am sick and tired of everything financially negative that happens to a company being blamed on September 11, 2001.

Unless I am mistaken, the housing industry is experiencing one of it's largest booms in history. A good deal of these homes are being built and bought using gas appliances. I'm not sure what City Gas is talking about when they say the economic downturn. Yes, there is an economic downturn, but not in housing. Is it that they again are speaking in contradictory terms?

Finally, their intention is to charge the same rate for the Residential customer as the Commercial customer. What I should say is they are going to charge the same rate for the Commercial customer as Residential customer. Based on "Annual Therms" of 0 - 99, the Commercial customer currently is charged between \$20.00 and \$25.00 per month. That will drop to \$9.25 a month, which is a savings for the Commercial customer of between 53.75% and 63% monthly.

I make \$8.00 an hour and work 20 hours a week and get no benefits. It is either that or not work at all. Those were my choices. I cannot go to my boss and ask for a raise in pay to cover gas charges. The rate of inflation is negligible. It is not 35%.

The game played by Public Utilities, Insurance Companies and any other company that is regulated by the state or federal government is "ask for twice as much so that when they get one half the amount, they in reality are getting twice as much as they need and what they expected in the first place."

An end must be brought to this viscous cycle. It is about time politicians stand up for the people and do what is right for the consumer.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosemarie Mc Cann

Michael F. Leonard 4073 Long Leaf Drive Melbourne, FL 32940 PECEIVED FPSC

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

Subject: Comments regarding City Gas Company Proposed increase (Ref Docket No. 030569-GU)

October 17, 2003

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing to urge the Commission to reject the increases proposed by The City Gas Company. The primary reasons cited for the increases are not impelling. They are: 1) a less than anticipated customer base, and 2) income lost due to the downturn in economic conditions over the last two years. Essentially, The City Gas Company wants the consumer to reimburse them for poor planning and poor investing strategies. This to be outrageous. I am not sympathetic that they did not achieve their target income of 5.41%. Everyone has suffered losses due to the poor economy, and it is extremely frustrating to see my own savings paying abysmal returns and then being asked to pay increased rates simply because they didn't reach their goals. Has their board of Directors tried tighting their own belts first, before trying to squeeze us?? I doubt it. Do they plan on giving the consumer a break once economic conditions improve and they get better returns?? I won't hold my breath waiting for that either.

I also disagree with the approach by which they plan to increase the rates. The lion's share of the increase will come from increased "basic service charges" based on the prior year's annual consumption. First, the smaller consumer (under 500 therms/year) will be paying a disproportionately higher service charge than the big users (\$15 for 500 therms as compared to \$500 for 1,249,000 therms). Second, since most of the increase is due to the basic service charge, if a consumer were to implement conservation measures, the savings would be minimal: during most months, the consumption is relatively low, and the basic service charge accounts for most of the billed amount. I think a much more fair approach is to increase the charge per therm and leave the basic service charges the same. This way, the small consumer won't be disproportionately overcharged, and gas conservation will be encouraged (not discouraged) giving the consumer an avenue to save a little. In my situation, If the proposed increases go in effect, I will be paying \$180 in just service charges! If I didn't have gas, and only electricity, I might be paying more to run, say, an electric hot water heater, but on the other hand I would automatically save \$180 by not having to deal with a second utility.

In closing, I do not think the proposed rate increases have been adequately justified nor do I feel that the method of implementation is fair to smaller consumers. I urge the Florida Public Services Commission to reject City Gas Company's proposed rate increase.

Sincerely

MICHAEL F. LEONARD

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RE: Docket No. 030569-GU

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Best regards,

Donna Wheeler 305-521-1701 wk.

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#### **Ruth Nettles**

To:

Ralph Jaeger

Cc:

Matt Brinkley

Subject: FW: Proposed rate changes for NUI

will print this e-mail for Docket 030569.

---Original Message-----

From: Art Clinton [mailto:aclinton@cfl.rr.com] Sent: Saturday, October 18, 2003 12:02 PM

To: CAF Internet Mail

subject: Proposed rate changes for NUI

think it is appalling that in this day of 2% inflation rates that NUI would propose service rate hikes of 23% to over 500% to some of is customers.

Arthur D. Clinton 132 E. Dover St. Satellite Beach, FL. 32937

Georgina Ruiz 14122 S.W. 74 Terrace Miami, Florida 33183 RECEIVED FPSC

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October 21, 2003 ERK

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

Dear Sir or Madame:

I am writing in response to the notice of the proposed gas increase by NUI. As you may be aware, NUI is up for sale. Could this be a negotiating ploy on their part to entice the buyer. We are already being bombarded by increases in all other utility bills, not to mention the annual increases of our homeowner insurance. The only things that don't seem to go up are our salaries. I haven't had a salary increase in three years!

NUI is mismanaging their funds. An example of this is the Speak Easy System (it's more like the No Speakee at all System). This voice activated customer service system is a joke. I haven't yet been able to give the information they request before it breaks off in the middle, and disconnects you. By the time I am able to get a representative on line it's been a good ten minutes, and when I tell them of the situation, they inform me that they are aware of the problem. However, this has gone on for months and the problem has not been solved. Who knows how much money ( our money) they have spent on this useless system? Furthermore, they have implemented a system where they come out every other month and read the meter. The month they skip is estimated, and it is usually a higher reading. This has caused me to be very vigilant and have found numerous discrepancies. I can just imagine how many customers have overpaid because they trust them.

If the increase is granted I will be seriously considering changing to electricity. We as consumers should have other options and be allowed to give our businesses to other gas companies. Why are NUI and Teco the only gas companies in Miami? And why can't I use Teco in the area where I live? It appears that this kind of monopoly breeds incompetence.

Sincerely yours,

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Georgina Ruiz

An unsatisfied customer Docket No. 030569-GIJ

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**Matilda Sanders** 

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Janice Banka

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Thanks "J"

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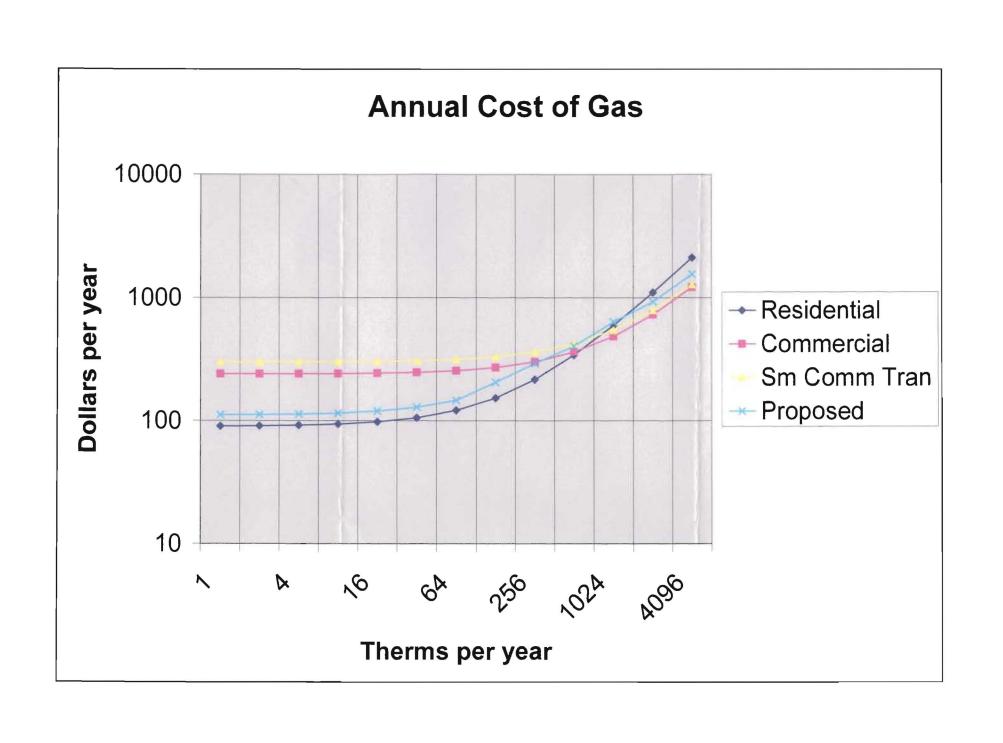
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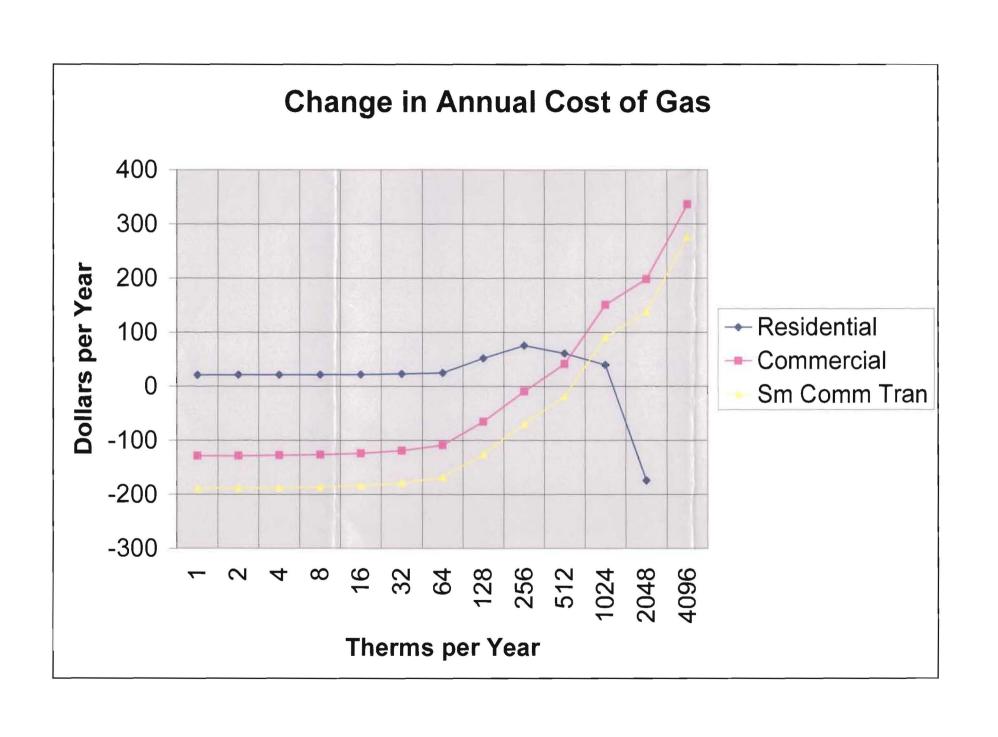
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I hope that the PSC will have something similar to share with us at the 30 October meeting.

Yours truly,

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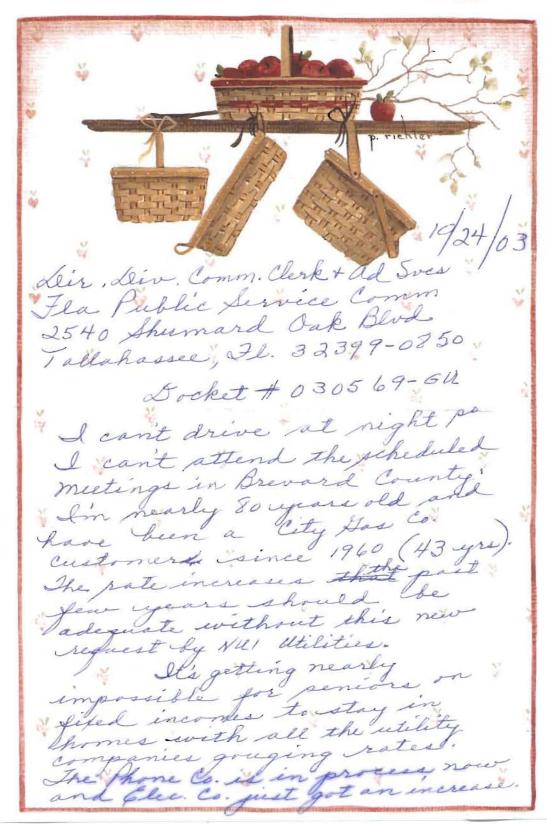




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Jean L. Knight 979 Kings Post Pd Rockledge, Fl. 32955



Mrs. Jean L. Knight 979 Kings Post Rd. Rockledge, FL 32955

ORIGINAL 10.2203 Dear Sirs: I think City gas Comp 300727 AHHO: 05 Completly out of line on Their Request 3 on a residential rate change. ELERK They now Charge \$ 7.50 per morth just to be a Castomer and they only read the meter be monthly. They estimate the ather month so your telling in always wrong. Skey Waste more time and accounting work with this belling procedure then they would if they just billed when the meter was actually read. Slasonal Customers now will be Charged 20.00 to turn the gas of and \$50.00 to Kurr it back on. If they are allowed to Roise these Though from free tuen of to 30.00 tur on nobody will turn of seasonally. Comply houses will be fire trape. The 20.00 Change of account is Charged even if the Change is only from husbander name to weed names with the same account at the same address. Jues how mercy deceased people still love accounts? Dhank you for your Consederation en this metter. Your truly SEC \_\_ Docker #030569-GU Qual to Whelm 1529 Reversale Dr. Melbourne Fl. 32995

Carol J. Whelan 1569 Riverside Drive Melbourne, FL 32935-5729

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October 21, 2003

Georgina Ruiz 14122 S.W. 74 Terrace Miami, Florida 33183

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

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Dear Sir or Madame:

I am writing in response to the notice of the proposed gas increase by NUI. As you may be aware, NUI is up for sale. Could this be a negotiating ploy on their part to entice the buyer. We are already being bombarded by increases in all other utility bills, not to mention the annual increases of our homeowner insurance. The only things that don't seem to go up are our salaries. I haven't had a salary increase in three years!

NUI is mismanaging their funds. An example of this is the Speak Easy System (it's more like the No Speakee at all System). This voice activated customer service system is a joke. I haven't yet been able to give the information they request before it breaks off in the middle, and disconnects you. By the time I am able to get a representative on line it's been a good ten minutes, and when I tell them of the situation, they inform me that they are aware of the problem. However, this has gone on for months and the problem has not been solved. Who knows how much money (our money) they have spent on this useless system? Furthermore, they have implemented a system where they come out every other month and read the meter. The month they skip is estimated, and it is usually a higher reading. This has caused me to be very vigilant and have found numerous discrepancies. I can just imagine how many customers have overpaid because they trust them.

If the increase is granted I will be seriously considering changing to electricity. We as consumers should have other options and be allowed to give our businesses to other gas companies. Why are NUI and Teco the only gas companies in Miami? And why can't I use Teco in the area where I live? It appears that this kind of monopoly breeds incompetence.

Sincerely yours,

Georgina Ruiz

An unsatisfied customer Docket No. 030569-GU

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Please see that a copy of the enclosed email is given to Ralph Jaeger, General Counsel and each Utility Commissioner as well as the staff member that will be attending the hearing in Coral Gables this week.						
Thank	you in advance for you	r assistance.				
Sincere	ely,					
Patric.	ia K. Roberts					

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From: "Patricia Roberts" <patricia\_k\_roberts@hotmail.com>

To: contact@psc.state.fl.us Subject: Docket 030569-GU

Date: Tue, 28 Oct 2003 18:40:12 +0000

Dear Staff Member:

Please forward my concerns about this Docket that City Gas Company of Florida filed. First of all, in the Spring of 2003 they filed a docket requesting flat rate billing to all residentials consumers....they withdrew their request once they were presented with such opposition that they felt it was in their best interest to let it die.

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Please represent the State of Florida consumers and let City Gas Company know that we do not agree with their tactics, reasoning etc. and hereby refuse their request.

I look forward to your response to my email.

Sincerely & Respectfully submitted,

Patricia K. Roberts

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#### **Ruth Nettles**

To:

Ralph Jaeger

Cc:

Matt Brinkley

Subject: FW: PSC Hearing Melbourne, 10/30/03 Re: City Gas Price Hike

will print this e-mail for Docket 030569.

---Original Message----

**From:** FishRico@aol.com [mailto:FishRico@aol.com]

sent: Thursday, October 30, 2003 9:49 AM

Fo: CAF Internet Mail

Subject: PSC Hearing Melbourne, 10/30/03 Re: City Gas Price Hike

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Regards,

Ron Rincones /alkaria, Florida

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#### **Ruth Nettles**

To: Cc: Ralph Jaeger **Matt Brinkley** 

Subject:

FW: Other

I will print for correspondence in Docket 030569.

----Original Message----

From: contact@psc.state.fl.us [mailto:contact@psc.state.fl.us]

Sent: Thursday, October 30, 2003 9:53 AM

To: CAF Internet Mail

Subject: Other

October 30, 2003

Contact Information:

Name: Ron Rincones Company: Retired

Primary Phone: 321-727-1036

Secondary Phone:

E-mail: fishrico@aol.com

Comments:

Subject: PSC Hearing Melbourne, 10/30/03 Re: City Gas Price Hike

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Yes, I wish to be contacted

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#### **Ruth Nettles**

To:

Ralph Jaeger

Cc:

Matt Brinkley

Subject: FW: Docket 030569 GU

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**From:** Leo Kiffner [mailto:lkiffner@cfl.rr.com] Sent: Friday, October 31, 2003 10:06 AM

**Fo:** CAF Internet Mail

Subject: Docket 030569 GU

his rate increase should NOT be allowed! The rate schedule is vastly ANTI\_RESIDENTIAL USE!!! The schedule shows that the Commercial users are getting the biggest break in rates even wth the increase.

A good example of what I am talking about is graphically illustrated in their own brochure under Appendix A in the 0-99 Group: GS (Commercial Sales:CS) goes from \$20.00 DOWN to \$9.25, while GS-1 (Residential:RS) goes from \$7.50 UP to \$9.25. The Commercial companies are being given a BIGGER CUT in their cost while the Residential user is paying MORE!! THIS SHOULD NOT BE ALLOWED!! If the rate increase is allowed, I for one will lookinto cutting back on my use of natural gas and revert to Electric.

Leo Kiffner 39 S Courtenay Pkwy Merritt Island, Fl. 32952 kiffner@cfl.rr.com

#### **Ruth Nettles**

To:

Ralph Jaeger

Cc:

Matt Brinkley

Subject: FW: E-Form Other Complaints - 9674

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:rom: contact@psc.state.fl.us [mailto:contact@psc.state.fl.us]

**Sent:** Friday, October 31, 2003 10:30 AM

Fo: CAF Internet Mail

Subject: E-Form Other Complaints - 9674

#### FRACKING NUMBER - 0009674 October 31, 2003

#### **SERVICE ADDRESS**

Account Number:

Business Account Name: Name: Donald Hernick Address: 443 Cynthia Place

City: Melbourne Lip: 32940-7774

#### **CUSTOMER INFORMATION**

Name: Donald Hernick Address: 443 Cynthia Place

City: Melbourne

State: FL

Zip: 32940-7774

E-mail: d.hernick@worldnet.att.net

Contact By: E-mail Address

#### COMPLAINT INFORMATION

Jtility Name: NUI Corp

Did customer previously contact the utility?: How does NUI corp has the gall to ask for a 13.4% rate increase? This ncrease amount is outrageous. Older people here in Florida depend solely on their Social Security income. Next year hey will get a raise of 2.1%. Nowhere equal to NUI's rate. Thank You for Listening. Did customer previously contact the PSC?:

#### **PROBLEM INFORMATION**

Problem Type: Other Complaints

Complaint Detail: I have.

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October 17, 2003

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Director, Division of the Commission Clerk And Administrative Services Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

COMMISSION CLERK

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Dear Sir or Madam:

The fact that NUI City Gas has expenses that they were not counting on does not show me that I need to compensate them with increased tariff rates. What it does tell me is that whomever furnished them the budget was sorely lacking in knowledge.

NUI City Gas is contradictory in their statements as they first make mention of how the company has not "grown" at the projected rate expected then in just two paragraphs below they state that the "Company's operating expenses have increased due to among other things ...growth." So which is it? Not to mention the fact that they mention increased pension costs, increased medical insurance costs, increased corporate governance costs....correct me if I'm wrong but whatever fringe benefits they are affording their employees is not my problem, not to mention the fact that the additional "incurrence" of expense are tax deductible under the cost of doing business.

How in the world are they going to justify increasing the general population to the degree that they are. These are radical tariff changes, surmounting in the 50% range. I could understand that hey may have miscalculated up to a 10% but 50% is just a gross oversight, inclining me to believe that it has nothing to do with their "new inflated costs". NUI City Gas has said that they don't want any distinction between companies and residential sites…however in their appendix that is not what I see. They are decreasing the rates from commercial accounts due to the fact that Florida Power and Light offers commercial companies' gas and they are increasing residential accounts since FP&L doesn't offer residential accounts gas.

Their letter and notice is both contradictory and a blatant attempt to increase on the small to compete with the big. Would they still be increasing 50% from the old tariff if FP&L starting offering gas to residences?

Sincerely,

Johennys Gonzalez

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#### **Ruth Nettles**

To:

Ralph Jaeger

Cc:

Matt Brinkley

Subject: FW: E-Form Other Complaints - 9686

will place in Docket 030569 correspondence.

---Original Message-----

**From:** contact@psc.state.fl.us [mailto:contact@psc.state.fl.us]

Sent: Friday, October 31, 2003 8:48 PM

To: CAF Internet Mail

Subject: E-Form Other Complaints - 9686

### **FRACKING NUMBER - 0009686 October 31, 2003**

#### SERVICE ADDRESS

Account Number:

**Business Account Name:** Name: William Kriedlekamp Address: 2180 Keylime Drive

City: Titusville Zip: 32780

#### **CUSTOMER INFORMATION**

Name: William Kriedlekamp Address: 2180 Keylime Drive

City: Titusville

State: FL Zip: 32780

rimary Phone: 321-383-4728 Secondary Phone: same E-mail: marye@cfl.rr.com Contact By: E-mail Address

#### COMPLAINT INFORMATION

Jtility Name: GU602 City Gas Company of Florida Did customer previously contact the utility?:

Did customer previously contact the PSC?:

#### **PROBLEM INFORMATION**

Problem Type: Other Complaints

Complaint Detail: I feel the rate increase is too much. We are on a limited income and cannot afford an increase. We will be forsed to stop using gas if the rate increase is approved. Mary Kriedlekamp 2180 Keylime Dr. Titusville, Fl. 32780

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#### **Ruth Nettles**

To:

Ralph Jaeger

Cc:

Matt Brinkley

Subject: FW: E-Form Other Complaints - 9696

will place in correspondence of Docket 030569.

---Original Message----

**:rom:** contact@psc.state.fl.us [mailto:contact@psc.state.fl.us]

Sent: Sunday, November 02, 2003 2:40 PM

Fo: CAF Internet Mail

Subject: E-Form Other Complaints - 9696

#### FRACKING NUMBER - 0009696 November 02, 2003

#### **SERVICE ADDRESS**

Account Number:

3usiness Account Name: Name: Dennis Ghezzi Address: 2455 Burns Ave.

City: Melbourne Zip: 32935

#### **CUSTOMER INFORMATION**

Name: Dennis Ghezzi Address: 2455 Burns Ave.

City: Melbourne

State: FL Zip: 32935

E-mail: alposmamma@aol.com Contact By: E-mail Address

#### COMPLAINT INFORMATION

Jtility Name: GU602 City Gas Company of Florida

Did customer previously contact the utility?: Did customer previously contact the PSC?:

#### **PROBLEM INFORMATION**

'roblem Type: Other Complaints

Complaint Detail: My husband and I highly object to the proposed rate increase.

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October \$1,2003

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I (we) already pay enough, especially
in winter, for natural gas.



Thank you, John Shea

#### **Ruth Nettles \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\***

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#### **Ruth Nettles**

To: Cc: Ralph Jaeger Matt Brinkley

Subject:

FW: PSC Hearing Melbourne, 10/30/03 Re: City Gas Price Hike

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----Original Message----

From: Tim Fletcher [mailto:captain@coolbeanscharters.com]

Sent: Thursday, October 30, 2003 9:57 AM

To: CAF Internet Mail

Subject: PSC Hearing Melbourne, 10/30/03 Re: City Gas Price Hike

Dear Commissioners, I wish I were able to attend tonight's subject hearing. Sadly, I have a family commitment that I cannot reschedule. With that said, I would like to object to any rate increase the City Gas Company is requesting. My costs have almost tripled in the last four years. Most of the increase seems to have come since the President of the United States asked industries to hold prices down, following the 9/11 terrorist attack. Seems like every industry has gouged Americans as much as possible since then. I wish you, the commissioners could control the price of gasoline, insurance, cable TV, and all the others that have jacked up the price of their goods and services, far beyond any cost of living increases.

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Regards,

Tim Fletcher Cape Canaveral, Florida 9:32 AM\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

Matilda Sanders\*\*\*\*1

**Matilda Sanders** 

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From:

Janice Banka

Sent:

Wednesday, November 05, 2003 9:32 AM

To: Subject: CCA - Orders / Notices Order / Notice Submitted

Date and Time:

11/5/2003 9:32:00 AM

Docket Number:

030569-GU

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Amendatory Order.

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Thanks "J"

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#### Kay Flynn

9:47 AM 030569-GU

From:

Denise Karnes

Sent:

Monday, October 27, 2003 11:08 AM

To:

Alina Dieguez; Beth Salak; Betty Ashby; Bev DeMello; Blanca Bayo; Bob Trapp; Braulio Baez; Breda Platt; Carol Purvis; Cayce Hinton; Charles Davidson; Chuck Hill; Cindy Miller; Dan Hoppe; Della Fordham; Diane Lee; Dorothy Boone; Harold McLean; Hurd Reeves; J. Terry Deason; Jane Faurot; Janet Brunson; Janet Harrison; JoAnn Chase; Jorge Chamizo;

Kathleen Stewart; Katrina Tew; Kay Flynn; Kay Posey; Kevin Bloom; Kevin Neal; Larry Harris; Lila Jaber; Martha Golden; Mary Bane; Mary Macko; Norma Jenkins; Pat Dunbar; Patsy White; Richard Tudor; Roberta Bass; Rudy Bradley; Sharon Allbritton; Susan Howard; Tarik

Noriega: Thelma Crump: Tim Devlin: Veronica Washington

Subject:

Customer Meetings Scheduled to Discuss Proposed Rate Increase for City Gas Company of

Florida

A Public Meeting Notice was faxed to media in the counties affected by this proposed rate increase. The notice may be viewed by clicking the following link:

http://www.psc.state.fl.us/general/news/102703.html

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## Jublic Service Commission

### **NEWS RELEASE**

October 27, 2003 Contact: 850-413-6482

# Customer Meetings Scheduled to Discuss Proposed Rate Increase for City Gas Company of Florida

TALLAHASSEE -- The staff of the Florida Public Service Commission (PSC) will conduct three customer meetings to accept comments from consumers in response to a proposed rate increase for customers of City Gas Company of Florida (City Gas). The meetings will be held on October 29 and 30, 2003, to provide customers an opportunity to comment on the proposed rate increase and service quality issues related to the company's service.

City Gas provides service to customers in Dade, Broward, St. Lucie, Brevard, Palm Beach, Hendry, Lee, Glades, Charlotte, Collier and Martin counties.

City Gas has also proposed a new rate structure. Under this new rate structure, both residential and commercial customers would be classified solely according to the number of therms they consume annually. While the proposed increase to residential customers will vary based on therm usage, a residential customer who uses 17 therms a month on average would pay an additional \$4.24 per month under the proposed rates.

All customers of City Gas are invited to attend the meetings which will be held at the following times and locations:

October 29, 2003 6:00 p.m. October 30, 2003 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. October 30, 2003 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. October 27, 2003 - Customer Meetings Scheduled to Discuss Proposed Rate Increase for ... Page 2 of 2

Coral Gables City Hall Commission Chambers 405 Biltmore Way Coral Gables, FL

Port St. Lucie Community Ctr. Room D 2195 S.E. Airoso Blvd. Port St. Lucie, FL Space Coast Room, Bldg. C 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Brevard Co. Governmental Ctr. 2725 Judge Fran Jamieson Way Melbourne (Viera), FL

PSC staff is scheduled to file its recommendation on rates to the Commission on December 23, 2003, and the Commission's consideration and vote is scheduled for January 6, 2004.

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#### **Ruth Nettles**

To:

Ralph Jaeger

Cc:

Matt Brinkley

Subject:

FW: Docket 030569-GU

Ralph, I'm printing this e-mail for placement in correspondence of docket.

----Original Message----

From: Patricia Roberts [mailto:patricia k roberts@hotmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 28, 2003 1:40 PM

To: CAF Internet Mail Subject: Docket 030569-GU

Dear Staff Member:

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## ORIGINAL

Philip S. Dickey IV 1730 Newfound Harbor Drive Merritt Island, FL 32952 December 15, 2003

030569-GU

Director, Division of the Commission Clerk And Administrative Services Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 3323999 -08850

RE: NUI Rate Increase

Dear Sir or Madam,

Before I fired off a letter of protest about the rate increase I waited until I got my first bill. I'm sorry and outraged to report that it was double my previous bill. I'do not see how, in this era of miniscule pay raises, anyone is going to keep up with a constant rate increases. Not only has NUI requested a rate increase is so has a Bright House, the cable television service. I had to discontinue some channels to afford cable TV.

Last year in July my wife and I both received pay increases and at the same time the President's tax decrease went into effect. Coincidentally it was the same month that State Farm insurance put their new rates into effect. The net increase in the family income was a minus figure.

I'm three years away from retirement and I do not see how I'm going to be able to live in Florida at the constant rate increases that the public service commission is granting the various utilities.

With all the fixed income folks in Florida I foresee many problems.

Sincerely

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Philip S. Dickey IV

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COMMISSION CLERK

**DATE:** November 6, 2003

TO:

Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services

FROM: Ralph Jaeger - Office of the General Counsel - Economic Regulation Section

RE:

Docket No. 030569-GU - Application for Rate Increase by City Gas Company of Florida.

Please place the following individuals on the mailing list as interested persons, and designate their names with an "R".

Mr. and Mrs. R. Ellwood 251 N. W. Liseron Way Port St. Lucie, FL 34986 (772) 340-3937

Reynolds Smith 4226 20th Street Vero Beach, FL 32960 (772) 567-4545

George F. Hamner, Jr. 7355 SW 9th Street Vero Beach, FL 32968 (772) 562-2252

Joseph Richardson 12031 SW 107th Street Miami, FL 33186 (305) 279-9541

Jack Chinery 4035 Wood Duck Court Melbourne, FL 32934 (321) 254-7886

Thanks.

RRJ/jb

Brian Bogart 925 74th Avenue, SW Vero Beach, FL 32968 (772) 978-1442

Norman J. Silber 1232 Palermo Avenue Coral Gables, FL 33131 (305) 447-9712

Craig Maytrott 1540 W. Coral Court Merritt Island, FL 32952 (321) 452-9362

James Lucker 541 Rio Bello Corte Indialantic, FL 32903 (321) 779-0383

John W. Britt 3716 Tomlin Drive Cocoa, FL 32926 (no telephone given)

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DOCKET NO. 030569-GU

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Kevin Fritts 2235 Plantation Drive Melbourne, FL 32935 321-757-8638

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COMMISSION

November 7, 2003

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

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing you do to my concern with the Natural Gas rate proposals in Docket # 030569-GU.

My home consumes 224 therms of natural gas per year. This puts me in the GS-220 rate. I use natural gas to dry clothes, heat my home and heat my hot water.

Here is how the proposal will affect my rates. My service charge will double from \$7.50 to \$15. My distribution charge will decrease by \$0.06. Annually, I will pay \$90 more in service charges and save only \$13.44 in distribution. That is \$76.56 more dollars a year increase. Presently, I pay approximately \$479.76 annually for my gas. This is a 16% increase.

I would like to address NUI's weak reasons for the rate increase:

- 1. The companies market has not grown like they want it to. My response Too bad. New homes are being thrown up everywhere in Florida. Start marketing your product better.
- 2. The capital additions didn't make enough return on our investments. My response Too bad. Start making wiser business choices. Fire your CEO. It is his fault. I should not have to suffer because of his poor business practices.
- 3. We have increased operating costs due to pensions and insurance. My response I can't say too bad on this one. Inflation is something that everyone has to deal with. Last year Inflation was at 4%. I would say a 4% increase would be fair.

The real reason for the rate increase is NUI wants to sell the company. They want their books to look real good. They can increase the rates but people will use gas less and less. The reason for having gas is economics.

I question having a \$15 customer charge for a residential customer. That is a phenomenal amount of money for a residential account.

Please, block this fleecing of Florida natural gas customers.

Sincerely,

Kevin R. Fritts, PE

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CONSUMER COMMENTS
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN,
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PLYS YEARS. I HAVE SEEN RATE INCREASES
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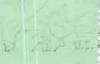
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Name FREDERICK H & RUTH L. SCHNEEMAN COMMISSION CLERK
Address 7804 SW 139 Ct.

MIAMI, FL 33183

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CONSUMER COMMENTS
WE ARE STRONGLY OPPOSING THE PROPESED
RATE INCREASE FOR City GAS CO. OF FLORIDA
IT DEFINITELY FAVORS THE COMMERCIAL +
INDUSTRIAL CONSUMERS.
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WHAT IS BEING PROPOSED CURENTLY.
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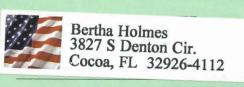
Name Bertha W. Holmes COMMISSION CLERK
Address 3827 S. Denton Circle

Cocoa Fl. 32924

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CONSUMER COMMENTS
Have been a customer about thirty years with the gas company. We don't need a rate increase again. I and a lot of people are seniors and retiree
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Name Danie (Robinson CLERK

Address 3610 Catalina DRIVE

Cocon FL 32926

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CONSUMER COMMENTS
For many years my family has been a city gas customer. It reglice that as time progresses rates will increase; however, we only have a hot water heaver and gas driver and our bill is averaging, as per month. To continue to increase the rates is-in my opinion-excessive.

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OM TR CR CL C IS C Daniel Robinson 3610 Catalina Drive Cocoa, FL 32926





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Name Souise W. Hamis

Address 3780 Cartee 87

Cocoa de 32926

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CONSUMER COMMENTS
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CONSUMER COMMENTS
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Lates should be Faised because,
even though ustomer for whom they
Serve have increased, that's still
More money that they are receiving.
More customer's/more money

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Frederick McGrath J.P 3010 S.E. Woodring Lane Port Saint Lucie, F.L. 34952

November 29, 2003.

Florida Public Service Commission, #2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida. 32399-0850.

Gentlemen:

Your attention is invited to the service provided me - as a customer of NUI City Gas. On November 20th - I called to have my Gas pilots lighted - and at the same time provide annual check-up.

I was told that no appointments could be made until December 1 or 2 = cost \$65 an hour However I could get earlier service at \$100 which is outragious (They would have to pay employee overtime)

However, today is pretty cold and overcast for SUNDAY IS colder. Icalled again as a senior citizen (94) and thought just the pilots could be lighted and any other work -still on December 1st (especially as your Notice of PSC approved interim rates say ; Gas LIGHTING Customer change \$0.00

I was told -try some else!

It is my opinion - City Gas should have enough employees to better Service customers or absorb the difference regular & overtime themselves until SERVICE IS CURRENT.

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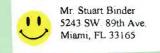
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Address	Mr. Stuart Binder 5243 SW. 89th Ave. Miami, FL 33165	and the same	

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CONSUMER COMMENTS
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THIS RATE INCREASE JUST SERMS TO BE A WAY OF GETTING A BETTER PRICE FOR THE COMPANY.
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MANY TIMES OVER, AND. HAVE NEVER NEEDED ANY
SERVICE
PLEASE STOP THIS INCREASE

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#### **Ruth Nettles**

From:

contact@psc.state.fl.us

Sent:

Monday, November 24, 2003 8:56 PM

To:

**CAF Internet Mail** 

CC: Brinkley

Subject:

Other

November 24, 2003

Contact Information:

Name: Kathleen O'Neil

Company:

Primary Phone: Secondary Phone:

E-mail: kmon73@prodigy.net

Comments:

I want to register my opposition to the rate increase proposed by City Gas Co. of florida in docket #030569-GU. What I find most objectionable about this proposal is that it will increase some residential rates by as much as 20% while decreasing some commercial rates by as much as 40%. I urge you to reject this outrageous rate hike.

No response is necessary

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Director, Division of the Commission Clerk To: And Administrative Services Florida Public Service Commission

2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard

Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

From: Claude Blackstone

4235 Abbey Lane Titusville, Florida 32796-1066

Subject: Docket No. 030569

I object to the proposed rate increase as it will increase my monthly customer charge from \$7.50 to \$15.00 regardless of the amount of gas I use in a given month. My customer service charge Increases from \$90.00 per year to 180.00 per year. My total gas bill for January-December 2003 totals \$390.00. This additional \$90.00 per year is a 23% increase, which I believe is excessive.

Sincerely yours lande Bladsstone

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CLAUDE BLACKSTONE 4235 ABBEY LANE TITUSVILLE, FL 32796

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## Hublic Service Commission

December 23, 2003

Mr. Joseph Richardson 12031 S. W. 107<sup>th</sup> Street Miami, FL 33186

Re: Docket No. 030569-GU - Application for Rate Increase by City Gas Company of Florida.

Dear Mr. Richardson:

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December 23, 2003

Mr. Jack Chinery 4035 Wood Duck Court Melbourne, FL 32934

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Dear Mr. Chinery:

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Mr. Norman J. Silber 1232 Palermo Avenue Coral Gables, FL 33131

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## Hublic Service Commission

December 23, 2003

Mr. Brian Bogart 925 74<sup>th</sup> Avenue, S. W. Vero Beach, FL 32968

Re: Docket No. 030569-GU - Application for Rate Increase by City Gas Company of Florida.

Dear Mr. Bogart:

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Mr. Craig Maytrott 1540 W. Coral Court Merritt Island, FL 32952

Re: Docket No. 030569-GU - Application for Rate Increase by City Gas Company of Florida.

Dear Mr. Maytrott:

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Mr. James Lucker 541 Rio Bello Corte Indialantic, FL 32903

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## Hublic Service Commission

January 2, 2004



Re: Docket No. 030569-GU - Application for Rate Increase by City Gas Company of Florida.

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Ellwood:

Port St. Lucie, FL 34986

By letter dated December 23, 2003, I forwarded copies of the staff recommendation that was filed on that date. However, subsequent to the filing of that recommendation, the item was deferred from the January 6, 2004 Agenda Conference, and is now rescheduled for the January 20, 2004 Agenda Conference. I apologize if this has caused you any inconvenience. If the December 23, 2003 staff recommendation is revised, I will send you copies of the revisions. The Commission is now expected to consider this Recommendation at its January 20, 2004 Agenda Conference beginning at 9:30 a.m.

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December 23, 2003

Mr. Reynolds Smith 4226 20<sup>th</sup> Street Vero Beach, FL 32960

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December 23, 2003

Mr. George F. Hamner, Jr. 7355 S. W. 9<sup>th</sup> Street Vero Beach, FL 32968

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January 2, 2004

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Mr. Joseph Richardson 12031 S. W. 107<sup>th</sup> Street Miami, FL 33186

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Mr. Jack Chinery 4035 Wood Duck Court Melbourne, FL 32934

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REF: City Gas Company of Florida proposed rate change.

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Please scrutinize VERY carefully this request.

I have studied the information the company has presented and it makes little sense. In my case, if all they say were true they would lose money not increase revenues as stated.

They only "actually" read my meter five times all last year. The rest were estimates. Which incidentally resulted in over charges of as much as \$285.69. We seldom send the Gas Company a check anymore; they just keep crediting us with the periodic overcharges.

Everything considered, I don't understand the need to increase the basis service charge from \$7.50 to \$20.00 per month. Other than the delivery of gas the customer receives no benefit from this charge.

Customers with only a gas furnace will pay \$20.00 per month for approximately eight months of the year (\$160.00) without having used a single "Therm". Sounds like one big rip-off to me! It appears from previous bills the gas company has variability options for pricing all other cost except the Basic Service Charge, Which they now want to increase.

Further, the rate numbers quoted in the public announcement brochure are not correct. In my case they claim a rate of 0.49367 but my billing shows a rate of 0.60493.

I for one will convert to electric if this proposed service rate is increased. If anything. The service rate should be eliminated.

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1819 Crane Creek Blvd

Viera, FL 32940

#### Kay Flynn

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From:

Denise Karnes

Sent:

Thursday, January 15, 2004 11:37 AM

To:

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Items of Interest at Upcoming Agenda Conference, 1/20/04

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#### Items of Interest at Upcoming Agenda Conference, 1/20/04

**TALLAHASSEE** — The following items are among those scheduled for consideration by the Commission at the January 20, 2004, Agenda Conference.

ITEM 5 - DOCKET NO. 010503-WU - APPLICATION FOR INCREASE IN WATER RATES FOR SEVEN SPRINGS SYSTEM IN PASCO COUNTY BY ALOHA UTILITIES, INC. The Commission will address a staff recommendation concerning Aloha Utilities, Inc.'s refund of interim rates for the January 1, 2002 through April 30, 2002 time frame (the rate case period), as well as the appropriate calculation of refunds for the May 1, 2002 through July 31, 2003 time frame (the appeal period). In addition, the Commission will consider whether the utility should be ordered to justify why it should not be fined for its failure to escrow a percentage of all revenues collected during July 2003 in apparent violation of two PSC Orders.

ITEM 12 - DOCKET NO. 030569-GU - APPLICATION FOR RATE INCREASE BY CITY GAS COMPANY OF FLORIDA. The Commission will address a staff recommendation regarding City Gas Company of Florida's petition for a permanent rate increase.

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#### **Marguerite Lockard**

From:

Janice Banka

Sent:

Monday, February 09, 2004 12:23 PM

To: Subject: CCA - Orders / Notices Order / Notice Submitted

Date and Time:

2/9/2004 12:19:00 PM

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Notice of Proposed Agency Action Order Granting Request for Rate Increase and Modifying Rate Structure WITH ATTACHMENTS NOT ON LINE.

TOTAL NUMBER OF PAGES IN ORDER - 111. PAGES NOT ON LINE 34.

THIS ORDER IS IN WORD PERFECT.

I HAVE ALREADY CALLED CCA FOR THE ORDER NO. ----PSC-04-0128-PAA-GU. THIS ORDER WILL BE COMING DOWN IN THE 1:30 run. Please issue today.

Thanks "J"

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#### MEMORANDUM

#### FEBRUARY 9, 2004

TO:

DIVISION OF THE COMMISSION CLERK AND ADMINISTRATIVE

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FROM:

OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL (JAESER)

RE:

DOCKET NO. 030569-GU - APPLICATION FOR RATE INCREASE BY

CITY GAS COMPANY OF FLORIDA.

Attached is a Notice of Proposed Agency Action Order Granting Request for Rate Increase and Modifying Rate Structure, with attachments (not on line), to be issued in the above-referenced docket. (Number of pages in order

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From:

Janice Banka

Sent:

Wednesday, March 03, 2004 9:28 AM

To: Subject: CCA - Orders / Notices Order / Notice Submitted

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## Hublic Service Commission

April 27, 2004

Gary V. Perko, Esquire Hopping Green & Sams Post Office Box 6526 Tallahassee, Florida 32314

Re: Return of Confidential Documents to the Source, Docket No. 030569-GU

Dear Mr. Perko:

Commission staff have advised that Confidential Document Nos. 12971-03 and 13625-03, filed on behalf of 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

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cc: Ralph R. Jaeger, Office of the General Counsel Matthew G. Brinkley, Division of Economic Regulation

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**Matilda Sanders** 

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Thursday, July 29, 2004 9:43 AM CCA - Orders / Notices

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Sincerely,

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cc: Denise Vandiver, Division of Regulatory and Consumer Assistance Ralph Jaeger, Office of the General Counsel

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