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Ann Cole , Director The Commission Clerk and Administrative Services Room 110, Easley Building Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Dear Ms. Cole:

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Enclosed for filing are the original and four (4) copies of an Application for Authority to Issue and Sell Securities on behalf of Florida Public Utilities Company. This application is submitted pursuant to section 366.04, Florida Statutes and Chapter 25-8, Florida Administrative Code. A copy of the application is being provided to the Office of Public Counsel.

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

Thank you for your assistance with this filing.

Sincerely yours,

Norman H. Horton, Jr.

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cc: Charlie Beck, Esq.

Mr. George Bachman

DOUMENT NUMBER-DATE

Docket No.

Florida Public Service Commission Tallahassee, Florida

Application of

Florida Public Utilities Company

For Authority to Issue and Sell Securities

Pursuant to Section 366.04, Florida Statutes,

And Chapter 25-8, Florida Administrative Code

Address communications in connection with this Application to:

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The Date of this Application is August 20, 2009



3. Persons Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications

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4. Capital Stock and Funded Debt

(a)-(g) Information responsive to description and amounts authorized, outstanding, reacquired, pledged, owned by affiliated corporations and held in any fund are contained in Exhibit C "Statement of Capital Stock and Debt – June 30, 2009".

5. Proposed Transactions

(a)(b)(c) Description of proposed transactions, kind and nature of securities and the maximum principal amounts and present estimate of interest rates and dividend rates.

Florida Public Utilities Company (FPUC) seeks permission to issue and sell and/or exchange any combination of the long-term debt, short-term notes and equity securities and/or to assume liabilities or obligations as guarantor, endorser or surety in an incremental amount not

to exceed \$45,000,000, excluding retained earnings during the calendar year 2010. The regulated share of this financing will not exceed 90%, or \$40,500,000.

The long-term debt securities may include first mortgage bonds, private activity bonds, medium-term notes, debentures convertible or exchangeable debentures, notes, convertible or exchangeable notes, or other straight debt or hybrid debt securities, whether secured or unsecured, with maturities ranging from one to one hundred years. The expected interest rate on long-term debt is 6.17 %.

Authority to issue up to \$25,000,000 of short-term notes will give the Company financial flexibility with respect to future permanent financing. At the June 30, 2009 the short-term notes interest rate was 1.10875 %.

The equity securities would be common stock issued at Fair

Market Value less any issuance costs. The expected dividend rate would

be \$.47 per share annually. The expected issuance price would be \$11.00

per share (net) with a maximum number of shares to be issued of

2,000,000 for a net outstanding number of shares not to exceed 9,000,000.

6. Purposes of Issues

(a)(b)(c) The net proceeds to be received from the issuance and sale and/or exchange of the debt and equity securities will be added to FPUC's general funds and will be used to provide additional facilities through construction or acquisitions expenditures, and to repay short-term notes.

Exhibit A - Annual Report on Form 10-K for the calendar year ended December 31, 2008 and Form 10-Q for the six months ended June 30, 2009. *

Exhibit B - Sources and Uses of Funds Forecast and Construction Budget for Gross Property Additions for calendar year 2010.

Exhibit C - Statement of Capital Stock and Debt as of June 30, 2009.

*As permitted by Rule 25-8.003 (1)(a)(6), Florida Administrative Code, FPUC is satisfying the requirements for Schedules A (1) through A (5) by submitting its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the calendar year ended December 31, 2008 and Form 10-Q for the six months ended June 30, 2009 in conjunction with this Application.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 366.04, Florida Statutes and Chapter 25-8, Florida Administrative Code, Florida Public Utilities Company has caused its duly authorized officer to execute this Application on this 20th day of August, 2009.

Florida Public Utilities Company

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George M. Bachman

Chief Financial Officer, Corporate

Secretary, and Treasurer 401 South Dixie Highway

West Palm Beach, Florida 33401

EXHIBIT A

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-K
(Mark One) [X] ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008
OR
[] TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 For the transition period from to to
Commission file number 001-10608
Florida Public Utilities Company (Exact name of the registrant as specified in its charter)
Florida 59-0539080
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
401 South Dixie Highway, West Palm Beach, FL 33401 (Address of principal executive offices, Zip Code) Registrant's telephone number, including area code (561) 832-0872 Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:
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Title of each class Name of each exchange on which registered Common Stock par value \$1.50 per share NYSE Amex
Securities registered pursuant to section 12(g) of the Act:
(Title of class)
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Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. [] Yes [X] No
Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act. [] Yes [X] No
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15 (d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. [X] Yes [] No

[X] No

[] Yes

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K (§229.405 of this chapter) is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K. []

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer		Accelerated filer	[]
Non-accelerated filer		Smaller reporting company	[X]
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Indicate by check mark v	whether the registrant is a shell o	company (as defined in Rule 12	2b-2 of the Act).

As of June 30, 2008, the aggregate market value of the Registrant's Common Stock held by non-affiliates (based upon the closing price of the Common Stock on that date on the NYSE Amex) was approximately \$69,085,000.

On March 2, 2009, 6,116,505 shares of the Registrant's \$1.50 par value common stock were outstanding.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Portions of the registrant's Proxy Statement for the May 12, 2009 Annual Meeting of Shareholders are incorporated by reference in Part III hereof.

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PART I

Item 1. Business

General

Florida Public Utilities Company (FPU) was incorporated on March 6, 1924 and reincorporated on April 29, 1925 under the 1925 Florida Corporation Law. We provide natural gas, electricity and propane gas to residential, commercial and industrial customers in Florida. We do not produce energy and are not a generating utility. Our regulated segments sell natural gas and electricity to approximately 83,000 customers and our unregulated segment sells propane gas through a wholly owned subsidiary, Flo-Gas Corporation, to approximately 12,000 customers. We also sell merchandise and other service-related products on a limited basis as a complement to the natural and propane gas segments.

Our three primary business segments are aligned with our products and are natural gas, electric and propane gas. The Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC) regulates the natural gas and electric segments. We operate through four divisions based on geographic areas:

- (1) South Florida Division provides natural and propane gas to customers in Palm Beach, West Palm Beach, Royal Palm Beach, Palm Beach Gardens, North Palm Beach, Jupiter, Riviera Beach, Lake Worth, Wellington, Boynton Beach, Delray Beach, Boca Raton, Lauderdale Lakes, Deerfield Beach, Stuart, Palm City and other areas near these cities.
- (2) Central Florida Division provides natural and propane gas to customers in Sanford, Deland, Deltona, DeBary, Orange City, Lake Mary, Winter Springs, New Smyrna Beach, Edgewater, Longwood, Port Orange, Flagler County, parts of Lake County and Orange County and other areas near these cities and counties. Our previous separate West Florida Division, which provides propane gas to customers in Dunnellon, Inglis, Crystal River, Inverness, Brooksville and other areas near these cities, is now consolidated with our Central Florida Division.
- (3) Northwest Florida Division provides electricity to customers in Marianna, Bristol, Altha, Cottondale, Malone, Alford, Greenwood and other areas near these cities.
- (4) Northeast Florida Division provides electricity to Fernandina Beach/Amelia Island in Nassau County and propane gas to customers in Fernandina Beach, Jacksonville, Callahan, Yulee and other areas within Nassau, Duval and Clay counties.

Business Environment

The historic growth that had fueled strong demand for natural and propane gas over the last decade has slowed with the slowdown in the new construction housing market and the economy in general. However, interest is growing among those who wish to use natural and propane gas as a reliable and environmentally friendly alternative energy source in the event of a power outage. During 2008, the cost of natural gas and propane gas was extremely volatile due to changes in the cost of crude oil and the economic downturn.

Historically, our cost of fuel in the electric segment had not been impacted by market fluctuations due to favorable long-term fixed price contracts for purchasing electricity. However, our long-term contracts terminated at the end of 2006 for our Northeast division and at the end of 2007 for our Northwest division. The new contracts in place have pricing closer to current market prices. As a result of these increased fuel costs, our cost of electricity sold significantly increased. This does not directly impact our income from operations as increased fuel costs are passed through to the customers; however, this likely contributed to customers using less electricity which in turn decreased income from operations.

Business Segments

We are organized in three operating and reporting segments: natural gas, electric and propane gas. We are also involved in limited merchandise sales and other services in our natural gas and propane gas areas to complement these segments. For information concerning revenues, operating income and identifiable assets of each of our segments, see Note 15 in Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

Natural Gas

Natural gas is primarily composed of methane, which is a colorless, odorless fuel that burns cleaner than many other traditional fossil fuels. Odorant is added to enable easy detection of a gas leak.

We provide natural gas to customers in our South and Central Florida divisions. The vast majority of the natural gas we distribute is purchased in the Gulf Coast region, both onshore and offshore.

We use Florida Gas Transmission to transport our natural gas supplies through its pipeline into peninsular Florida. Florida Gas Transmission is under the jurisdiction of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). We use gas marketers and producers to procure all gas supplies for our markets. We use Florida City Gas, Indiantown Gas Company and TECO Peoples Gas to provide wholesale gas sales services in areas distant from our interconnections with Florida Gas Transmission. We pass all fuel costs on to our customers at cost. We also transport natural gas for customers who purchase their own gas supplies and arrange for pipeline transportation. Our operating results are not adversely affected if our customers purchase gas from third parties because we do not profit on the cost of gas.

Our natural gas revenues are affected by the rates charged to customers, supply costs for natural gas, economic conditions in our service areas and weather. Although the FPSC permits us to pass through to customers the increase in price for our gas costs, higher rates may cause customers to purchase less natural gas and thus lower our sales.

The natural gas industry has not been deregulated in the state of Florida. Our current portfolio of natural gas customers is reasonably diverse, with the largest customer using natural gas for the generation of electricity. We were not dependent on any single natural gas customer for over ten percent of our total natural gas revenues.

Electric

We provide electricity to our customers in our Northwest and Northeast Florida divisions. Wholesale electricity is purchased from two suppliers: Gulf Power Company and JEA (formerly Jacksonville Electric Authority). The cost of electricity is passed through to customers at cost.

During 2006 we completed negotiations with JEA and executed final contracts for the supply of electricity in our Northeast division beginning on January 1, 2007 and our Northwest division from Gulf Power Company beginning on January 1, 2008. Both these contracts expire on December 31, 2017. The rates charged to our customers significantly increased when the new contracts became effective in 2007 and 2008 because the prices are closer to market price.

The Northwest and Northeast divisions experience a variety of weather patterns. Hot summers and cold winters produce year-round electric sales that normally do not have highly seasonal fluctuations. None of the electric segment's customers represent more than ten percent of our total electric revenues in 2008.

The electric utility industry has not been deregulated in the state of Florida. All customers within a given service or franchise area purchase from a single electricity provider in that area.

Propane Gas

We provide propane gas to customers in our Northeast, Central and South Florida divisions and can purchase our propane gas supply from several different wholesale companies. Propane gas supply into Florida comes from a diverse assortment of delivery methods such as waterborne barge transports that deliver to port terminals in Tampa and Ft. Lauderdale, and the Dixie Pipeline. Railcar and tractor trailer transport the gas to our storage facilities. We believe that the propane gas supply infrastructure is adequate to meet the needs of the industry in Florida. No propane gas customer represented more than ten percent of our 2008 propane revenues.

Strategy

Our strategy is to leverage our expertise in the natural gas, electric and propane gas distribution business to assist us in consistently meeting our customers' expectations. Our core focus for natural gas is customer retention and improving our market share in areas that are either on or near our natural gas mains. For propane, we are concentrating on retention, load growth and increasing market share in existing communities known to have high concentrations of propane gas users. In electric, our strategy is to educate our customers as to how our energy conservation programs may benefit them long term and ultimately reduce electric usage. For all areas of operations, we continue to strive and focus on excellent customer satisfaction and service.

Competition

We do not face substantial competition in our electric divisions. This is because no competitor can provide electricity in our areas due to FPSC regulations and territorial agreements between utilities. In addition, natural gas as an alternative fuel is only available in a small area in our electric divisions. Although our natural gas segment operates with the same types of regulatory guidelines, there is competition from electric utilities. Normally each home will have electricity as a base fuel and natural gas as an alternative source of energy used for cooking and heating. Electricity competes with natural gas, in large part based on the cost of fuel. Our propane gas segment is unregulated and faces competition from other suppliers of propane gas, electricity, and alternative energy sources. Competition in the propane gas segment is primarily based on price and service.

Rates and Regulation

The natural gas and electric segments are highly regulated by the FPSC. The FPSC has the authority to regulate our rates, conditions of service, issuance of securities and certain other matters affecting our natural gas and electric operations. As a result, FPSC regulation has a significant effect on our results of operations. The FPSC approves rates that are intended to permit but not guarantee a specified rate of return on investment and recovery of prudent expenses. Our rate tariffs allow the cost of natural gas and electricity to be passed through to customers. Increases in the operating expenses of the regulated segments including pension and medical expenses may require us to request increases in the rates charged to our customers. The FPSC has granted us the flexibility of automatically passing on increased expenses for certain fuel costs to customers. The FPSC is likely to grant rate increases to offset increased expenditures necessary for business operations; however, the process can take up to eight months from the filing date.

The FPSC approved an annual electric final rate increase of approximately \$3.9 million effective May 22, 2008. Interim rate relief for partial recovery of the increased expenditures was approved by the FPSC on October 23, 2007. Interim rates were effective in November of 2007 up until May 22, 2008, the date our final rates went into effect. The increase produced additional annual revenues of approximately \$800,000.

We filed a request with the FPSC in the fourth quarter of 2008 for a base rate increase in our natural gas segment. This request included recovery of increased expenses and some capital expenditures since our last rate proceeding in 2004. Finalization of this request and approval, if any, of a natural gas base rate increase would not occur until mid 2009. Interim rates which are expected to produce additional annual revenues of approximately \$1 million went into effect for meter readings on and after March 12, 2009. Interim rates are collected subject to refund, pending the resolution of the issues and the outcome of the final rate proceeding.

We are subject to federal and state regulation with respect to soil, groundwater, employee health and safety matters, and to environmental regulations issued by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, the United States Environmental Protection Agency and other federal and state agencies.

Prior to the widespread availability of natural gas, we manufactured gas for sale to our customers. We have also purchased land from companies that at one time manufactured gas. The process for manufacturing gas produced by-products and residuals such as coal tar. The remnants of these residuals are sometimes found at former gas manufacturing sites. These sites face environmental regulation from various agencies including the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and the Environmental Protection Agency on necessary cleanup and restoration. For information on our environmentally impacted sites, please see Item 3, Legal Proceedings.

Franchises

We hold franchises in each of the incorporated municipalities that require franchise agreements in order to provide natural gas and electricity. Generally, these franchises have terms ranging from 10 to 30 years and terminate on varying dates. We are currently in negotiations for franchises with certain municipalities for new service areas along with renewing some existing franchises. We continue to provide services to these municipalities and do not anticipate any interruption in our service.

The City of Marianna is currently reviewing the franchise agreement with the Company that is up for renewal in 2010. The City has hired a Consultant to review the feasibility of purchasing the portion of our electric system that is within the city limits. If the City elects to purchase the Marianna portion of the distribution system, it would be required to pay the fair market value, and would need to invest in the

infrastructure to operate this limited facility. If the franchise is not renewed and the City purchases this portion of our electric system, the Company would have a gain in the year of the acquisition. Ongoing financial results would be negatively impacted from the loss of this operating area within our electric operations. At this time we do not believe the City will find it prudent and we expect the Marianna Franchise will be renewed.

Seasonality

The effects of seasonal weather conditions and the migration of winter residents and tourists to Florida during the winter season impact our income.

Employees

As of February 28, 2009, we employed 348 employees, including 10 part-time and 8 temporary employees. Of these employees, 169 were covered under union contracts with two labor unions, the Internal Brotherhood of Electric Workers and the International Chemical Workers Union. We believe that our labor relations with employees are good.

Available Information

We file periodic reports including our Form 10-Qs, Form 10-Ks and Form 8-Ks with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). Copies of recent SEC filings as well as our Code of Ethics can be obtained through our website (http://www.fpuc.com).

Item 1A. Risk Factors

A substantial portion of our revenues and, to a large extent, our profitability, depends upon rates determined by the FPSC.

The FPSC regulates many aspects of our natural gas and electric operating segments, including the retail rates we charge customers for natural gas and electric service. Our retail rates are set by the FPSC using a cost-of-service approach that takes into account our historical operating expenses, our fixed obligations and recovery of our capital investments, including potentially stranded obligations. Using this approach, the FPSC sets rates at a level calculated to recover such costs, adjusted to reflect known and measurable changes, plus a permitted return on investment. Any rate adjustments to recover increased costs or to otherwise improve our profitability must be obtained through a petition, or rate case, filed with the FPSC. The rates permitted by the FPSC will determine a substantial portion of our revenues and may have a material impact on our consolidated earnings, cash flows and financial position, as well as our ability to maintain our common stock dividend or to increase our dividends in the future.

We filed a request with the FPSC in the fourth quarter of 2008 for a base rate increase of approximately \$9.9 million annually in our natural gas segment. Interim rate relief was approved by the FPSC on February 10, 2009 for partial recovery of the increased expenditures. If the FPSC approves partial recovery instead of full recovery of the requested rate increase, the impact to our 2009 and future net operating income in our natural gas segment would be lower than anticipated.

Some of our natural gas and electric service costs may not be fully recovered through retail rates.

Our natural gas and electric service retail rates, once established by the FPSC, remain fixed until changed in a subsequent rate case. We may at any time elect to file a rate case to request a change in our rates or intervening parties may request that the FPSC review our rates for possible adjustment, subject to any limitations that may have been ordered by the FPSC. Earnings could be reduced if our operating costs increase more than our revenues during the period between rate cases. In addition, our request for a rate adjustment may be rejected. Third parties to a rate case or the FPSC staff may contend that our current rates are excessive and petition for a decrease in rates. A petition for rate increase by us could be denied on that or another basis.

Our business segments are sensitive to variations in weather.

Our segments are affected by variations in general weather conditions and unusually severe weather. We forecast energy sales on the basis of normal weather and on historical average. Significant variations from normal weather could have a material impact on energy sales. Unusual weather, such as hurricanes, could also materially affect operating costs and sales.

Our natural gas and propane gas customers use gas primarily for heating purposes. As a result, our natural gas and propane gas sales peak in the winter and are more weather sensitive than electricity sales, which can peak in both summer and winter periods. Mild winter weather in Florida can be expected to negatively impact results from our natural gas, electric and propane gas operations. Severe weather conditions could also interrupt or slow down service and increase the operating costs of any of our segments.

We operate in an increasingly competitive industry, which may affect our future earnings.

Natural Gas

The natural gas distribution industry has been subject to alternative energy competitive forces for several years. We receive our supply of natural gas at thirteen city gate stations connected to an interstate pipeline system owned by Florida Gas Transmission, one gate station connected to an intrastate pipeline owned by Florida City Gas Company, one meter connected to the Indiantown Gas Company distribution system in Indiantown, Florida, and one meter connected to the TECO Peoples Gas distribution system in Ocala, Florida. Gulfstream Natural Gas System currently serves peninsular Florida with interstate natural gas transmission service but we are not utilizing that pipeline at this time.

Electric

The U.S. electric power industry has been undergoing restructuring in many areas. There is competition in wholesale power sales on a national level. Some states have mandated or encouraged competition at the retail level. While there is active wholesale competition in Florida, the retail electric business has remained substantially free from direct competition. Changes in the competitive environment caused by legislation, regulation, market conditions or initiatives of other electric power providers, particularly with respect to retail competition, could adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations. To the extent competitive pressures increase and the pricing and sale of electricity assumes more of the characteristics of a commodity business, the economics of our electric operating segment could change. In addition, regulatory changes may increase access to electricity transmission grids by utility and non-utility purchasers and sellers of electricity, thus potentially resulting in a significant number of additional competitors.

Propane Gas

Our propane gas business is our only non-regulated business segment and faces significant competition. Our propane gas business competes directly with other distributors of propane gas, and other sources of energy including natural gas and electric. If we cannot compete effectively in the propane gas business, whether on the basis of price, customer service, alternative energy sources or otherwise, it would have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

Our business could be adversely affected if our supply of natural gas is interrupted.

Florida Gas Transmission's pipeline system transports all of our natural gas. Florida Gas Transmission is owned by Citrus Corporation, which is jointly owned by CCE Holdings, LLC, a joint venture of Southern Union Company and GE Commercial Finance Energy Financial Services. Our ability to receive a normal supply of natural gas could adversely affect earnings if there is an interruption in Florida Gas Transmission's service.

General economic conditions may adversely affect our segments.

Our segments are affected by general economic conditions. The consumption of the energy we supply is directly tied to the economy. Fuel costs could also increase as a result of economic conditions. Consumers reduce energy consumption as costs go up and the economy worsens. This adversely affects our unit sales. A further downturn in the economy in our local areas of operations, as well as on the state, national and international levels, could adversely affect the performance of our segments. Further construction and housing market declines can negatively impact our customer growth and customer retention. Loss of commercial customers due to bankruptcies and business closings which have been increasing in this declining economy adversely affects our unit sales.

As the downturn in the economy affects consumer spending, tourism in Florida may be adversely affected. If tourism is down, then the demand for the energy we supply is reduced. Changes in political climate, including terrorist activities, could further negatively impact our performance.

In addition, deterioration in the financial condition of our customers as a result of the economy could cause significant increase in our bad debt expense and related write-offs to our receivables, which would negatively impact our profitability.

We are vulnerable to the stock market and the impact to our pension liability.

The recent decline in the stock market and the impact to our pension liability and related contributions

has been significant. Additional declines in the stock market and valuation of stocks could further impact our pension liability and contributions.

We are vulnerable to covenant violations which could impact our short-term line of credit or our ability to obtain additional short-term funding.

The general economic conditions and credit climate could impact our ability to obtain short-term debt financing as a result of potential violation of current covenants. The pension liability has increased significantly as a result of the continued decline in the stock market. As a result, we are approaching ratio limitations related to our current short-term debt covenants that if violated, could cause the bank to request immediate payment of our line of credit balance, or limit our ability to borrow as needed. There can be no assurance that we would be able to repay the line of credit without securing additional financing, which may not be available on reasonable terms or at all.

Commodity price changes may affect the operating costs and competitive position of our segments.

Our segments are sensitive to changes in coal, gas, oil and other commodity prices. If we are unable to increase the rates we charge to customers to reflect increases in these commodity prices, our margins and earnings will be lowered. If increased prices for any of these commodities persist for substantial periods, our competitive position could be adversely affected by customers who switch to cheaper energy sources. Further, natural gas prices have been increasingly volatile and, accordingly, the earnings from our natural gas operations are increasingly difficult to predict since price changes influence consumption.

We could incur material expenses as a result of our obligations to comply with existing and new environmental laws and regulations.

We are subject to environmental regulations in connection with the ongoing conduct of our business and to civil and criminal liability for failure to comply with these regulations. In addition, new environmental laws and regulations, or new interpretations of existing laws and regulations affecting our operations or facilities may be adopted which may cause us to incur additional expenses.

We are subject to federal and state legislation with respect to soil, groundwater, employee health and safety matters, and to environmental regulations issued by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, the Environmental Protection Agency and other federal and state agencies. We may incur material future expenditures in order to comply with the environmental laws and regulations.

We are currently involved in multiple environmental litigations that may have a material impact to our company. They are discussed in 'Item 3, Legal Proceedings'.

We rely on a limited number of natural gas and electric suppliers, the loss of which could materially adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations.

Two pipeline suppliers under several contracts expiring at various dates from 2010 through 2023, transport our natural gas to us. These contracts have provisions which allow us to extend the terms ranging from 2020 to 2032. Our electric services are provided by two suppliers under contracts which expire in 2017. If we were to lose any of these contracts, we might not be able to replace the corresponding energy source on acceptable terms, if at all. In addition, in the event of the expiration of the contracts, we might not be able to renew them on favorable terms, if at all. As a result, the loss of any of these suppliers, the termination of any of these supply contracts, or the non-renewal of any of these supply contracts before or upon their expiration could have material adverse effects on our financial condition and results of operations.

New supply contracts could result in substantial increases to our prices, and could materially adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations.

We have two pipeline suppliers for natural gas and two electric suppliers under contract for electric supply through various dates in the future.

The recent renewal of the electricity supply contracts resulted in the cost of electricity increasing significantly over historic prices. Extensions or renewals of our natural gas contracts could result in the cost of natural gas increasing. Although these increases are currently passed through to our customers, they could have a significant impact on our customers' usage. If recovery of fuel costs was denied by the FPSC in the future, it would have a significant impact on our earnings and our financial condition.

Fluctuation in prices under long-term purchase and transportation commitments may have an adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

To ensure a reliable supply of electricity and natural gas at competitive prices, we have entered into purchase and transportation contracts with various suppliers and producers, which expire at various dates through 2023. Purchase prices under these contracts are determined by formulas either based on market prices or at fixed prices.

As of December 31, 2008, we have firm purchase and transportation commitments adequate to supply our expected sales requirements for electricity with contracts that will expire in 2017. Our contract in the Northeast division of the electric segment began January 1, 2007 and expires on December 31, 2017, and our contract with a supplier for the Northwest division began January 1, 2008 and expires on December 31, 2017.

Our natural gas pipeline transportation contracts expire in part in 2010, 2015 and 2023. We are committed to pay demand or similar fixed charges monthly through 2023 related to these natural gas pipeline transportation agreements. Significant fluctuation in prices under these long-term purchase and transportation commitments may have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

Problems with operations could materially adversely impact us.

We are subject to various operational risks, including accidents, outages, equipment breakdowns or failures, or operations below expected levels of performance or efficiency. Problems such as the breakdown or failure of transmission lines, pipelines or other equipment or processes and interruptions in service which would result in performance below affected levels of output or efficiency, particularly if extending for prolonged periods of time, would have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

Failure to effectively and efficiently manage our growth, as well as changes in our business strategies, could have a negative impact on our performance.

An essential part of our business strategy is customer retention and improved market share in areas that are either on or near our natural gas mains. Our outlook is based on our expectation that we will be successful in finding attractive opportunities for growth, and we will retain our current customer base through providing excellent customer service. However, our efforts may not be successful. Our failure to effectively and efficiently manage our growth, as well as changes in our business strategies, may have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

Our ability to pay dividends on our common stock is limited.

We cannot guarantee that we will continue to pay dividends at our current annual dividend rate or at all. In particular, our ability to pay or increase dividends in the future will depend upon, among other things, our future earnings, our cash requirements and our debt covenants.

Provisions in our certificate of reincorporation, certain agreements, and the Florida Business Corporation Act may inhibit a takeover, which could adversely affect the value of our common stock.

Our certificate of reincorporation as well as the Florida Business Corporation Act, contain provisions that could delay or prevent a change of control in our management that shareholders might consider favorable and may prevent them from receiving a takeover premium for their shares.

Our certificate of reincorporation contains provisions that make it more difficult to obtain control of our company through transactions which have not received the approval of our Board of Directors. These provisions include supermajority voting requirements for certain transactions with affiliated persons, staggering the terms of the members of our Board of Directors, and certain procedural requirements relating to shareholder meetings and amendments to our certificate of reincorporation or bylaws.

In addition, Florida has enacted legislation that may deter or frustrate takeovers of Florida corporations. Subject to certain exceptions, the "Control Share Acquisitions" section of the Florida Business Corporation Act generally provides that shares acquired in excess of certain specified thresholds, beginning at 20% of a corporation's outstanding voting shares, will not possess any voting rights unless such voting rights are approved by a majority vote of the corporation's disinterested shareholders.

The "Affiliated Transactions" section of the Florida Business Corporation Act generally requires majority approval by disinterested directors or supermajority approval by disinterested shareholders of certain specified transactions (such as mergers, consolidations, sales of assets, issuance or transfer of shares or reclassifications of securities) between a corporation and a holder of more than 10% of the outstanding shares of the corporation, or any affiliate of such shareholder.

We have agreements with our three executive officers that provide for significant payments to those executives upon a change in control under certain circumstances. The existence of these contracts may make an acquisition of our company less attractive to a possible buyer. Finally, our pension plan contains provisions that upon a change in control an acquirer will be limited in changing the pension plan for a period of time without incurring additional pension expenses for enhanced benefits to pension participants.

Conflict or turmoil in oil producing countries could impact future prices for commodities including natural gas, propane gas and electricity, and increases in these prices could materially affect our financial condition and results of operations.

Worldwide turmoil could cause the cost of crude oil and its associated products to rise on concerns of the conflicts interfering with the production of crude oil. If these conflicts are large, escalate or spread, the increase to the cost of all fuel-related commodities could be substantial. These increases could materially adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations.

If conservation costs incurred are determined not to be appropriate for recovery through conservation programs and rates, these costs would directly impact our net operating income and could significantly decrease our earnings.

The Company participates in energy conservation programs to provide incentives to customers to conserve energy. Costs for these programs are passed directly through to our regulated customers and are recovered through conservation rates. These programs and costs are reviewed and approved by the FPSC on an annual basis. There can be no assurance the FPSC will continue to approve our recovery of those costs and this could have an adverse effect on our operations.

The financial performance of the Company may be adversely affected if our divisions are unable to successfully operate their facilities.

Our financial performance depends on the successful operation of our electric, natural gas and propane facilities. Operating these facilities involves many risks, including:

- *operator error or failure of equipment or processes;
- *operating limitations that may be imposed by environmental or other regulatory requirements;
- ·labor disputes;
- fuel or material supply interruptions;
- *compliance with mandatory reliability standards; and

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catastrophic events such as fires, earthquakes, explosions, floods, droughts, hurricanes, terrorist attacks, pandemic health events such as an avian influenza, or other similar occurrences.

A decrease or elimination of revenues from any one of our facilities or an increase in the cost of operating the facilities would reduce the net income and cash flows and could adversely impact the financial condition.

We are vulnerable to interest rate changes and may not have access to capital at favorable rates, if at all.

Changes in interest rates can affect our cost of borrowing on our line of credit, on refinancing of debt maturities and on incremental borrowing to fund new investments. Current market conditions could severely limit our future ability to access capital. Because our stock is not widely held and has a low trading volume, we may not be able to access the equity market or may be limited in the amount of available equity financing. If we are unable to obtain equity or debt financing on satisfactory terms, our ability to fund capital expenditures and other commitments will be impaired. Moreover, even if available, the capital may not be available on favorable terms and the cost of such financing could reduce our margins and materially adversely affect our results of operations.

We are vulnerable to our franchise agreements not being renewed.

We hold franchises in each of the incorporated municipalities that require franchise agreements in order to provide natural gas and electricity. Generally, these franchises have terms ranging from 10 to 30 years and terminate on varying dates. We are currently in negotiations for franchises with certain municipalities for new service areas along with renewing some existing franchises. Ongoing financial results would be negatively impacted from the loss of certain operating areas within our electric or gas operations because of nonrenewal.

Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments

None

Item 2. Properties

We have natural gas, electric and propane gas related properties. These properties include transmission, distribution, storage and general facilities at various locations in our service areas. We do not have generating facilities. We maintain property that is adequate for our current operations and we expand our existing facilities as required by growth or other operational needs.

We own natural gas mains that distribute gas through 1,623 miles of pipe located in Central and South Florida. Additionally, we have adequate gate stations to handle receipt of the gas in each distribution system.

In the electric segment, we own 22 miles of electric transmission lines located in Northeast Florida and 1,122 miles of electric distribution lines located in Northeast and Northwest Florida. The distribution lines are installed both under and above ground and many of the coastal locations have underground facilities. All transmission lines are installed above ground. Additionally, we own various substations and regulator stations that are used in our electric operations.

Our propane gas segment has bulk storage facilities and tank installations on customers' premises. We also have 16 community gas systems that distribute propane gas to customers in specific developments. These systems are subject to the Federal Department of Transportation Office of Pipeline Safety Regulations.

We own office and warehouse facilities in Northwest, Northeast, Central, and South Florida, which are used for our operations and storage of materials. We also have various easements and other assets located throughout our service areas that are utilized by our operations.

We own a three-story building in West Palm Beach where our corporate headquarters is located.

All of our property is subject to a lien collateralizing our funded indebtedness under our Mortgage Indenture and Deed of Trust, as supplemented.

Item 3. Legal Proceedings

We use or have used several properties with contamination that have pending or threatened environmental litigation. We are in the process of investigating and assessing this litigation. We intend to vigorously defend our rights in this litigation. We have insurance and rate relief to cover losses or expenses incurred as a result of this litigation. We believe all future contamination assessment and remedial costs, legal fees and other related expenses would not exceed the combined sum of any insurance proceeds received and any rate relief granted.

West Palm Beach Site

The Company is currently evaluating remedial options to respond to environmental impacts to soil and groundwater at and in the immediate vicinity of a parcel of property owned by us in West Palm Beach, Florida upon which we previously operated a gasification plant. Pursuant to a Consent Order between the Company and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection effective April 8, 1991, the Company completed the delineation of soil and groundwater impacts at the site. On June 30, 2008, the Company transmitted a revised feasibility study, evaluating appropriate remedies for the site, to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection.

The feasibility study evaluated a wide range of remedial alternatives based on criteria provided by applicable laws and regulations. The total costs for the remedies evaluated in the feasibility study ranged from a low of \$2.8 million to a high of \$54.6 million. Based on the likely acceptability of proven remedial technologies described in the feasibility study and implemented at similar sites, consulting/remediation costs to address the impacts now characterized at the West Palm Beach site are projected to range from \$4.6 million to \$17.9 million. This range of costs covers such remedies as in situ solidification for deeper soil impacts, excavation of surficial soil impacts, installation of a barrier wall with a permeable biotreatment zone, monitored natural attenuation of dissolved impacts in groundwater, or some combination of these remedies. The feasibility study proposed a remedy of surficial soil excavation, installation of a hanging barrier wall with permeable biotreatment zone, and monitored natural attenuation, the cost of which is projected to range from \$4.6 million to \$9.9 million.

Negotiations between the Company and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection on a final remedy for the site continue. Prior to the conclusion of those negotiations, we are unable to determine, to a reasonable degree of certainty, the complete extent or cost of remedial action that may be required. As of December 31, 2008, and subject to the limitations described above, the Company's remediation expenses, including attorneys' fees and costs, are projected to range from approximately \$5.1 million to \$18.3 million for this site.

Sanford Site

The Company owns a parcel of property located in Sanford, Florida, upon which a gasification plant was operated prior to our acquisition of the property. On March 25, 1998, the Company executed an Administrative Order on Consent with the four former owners and operators (collectively, the "Group") and the United States Environmental Protection Agency that obligated the Group to implement a Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study and to pay the United States Environmental Protection Agency's past and future oversight costs. The Group also entered into a Participation Agreement and an Escrow Agreement on or about April 13, 1998. Work under the Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study Administrative Order on Consent and Participation Agreement and an Escrow Agreement is now complete and the Company has no further obligations under either document.

In 2008, a revised Consent Decree was signed by all Group Members and the United States Environmental Protection Agency, providing for the implementation by the Group of the remedies the United States Environmental Protection Agency approved earlier for the site, which are set forth in the Records of Decision for Operable Units 1-3, and for the payment of the United States Environmental Protection Agency's past and future oversight costs. The Consent Decree was entered by the federal Court in Orlando and became effective on January 15, 2009; the parties to the Consent Decree are now obligated to implement the remedy approved by United States Environmental Protection Agency for the site.

In January 2007, the Company and other members of the Group signed a Third Participation Agreement, which provides for funding the remediation work specified in the Records of Decision for Operable Units 1-3 and supersedes and replaces the Second Participation Agreement. The Company's share of remediation costs under the Third Participation Agreement is set at 5% of a maximum of \$13 million, or \$650,000. To date, the Company has contributed \$100,000 of its total share of remediation costs under the Third Participation Agreement. It is currently anticipated that the total cost of the final remedy will exceed \$13 million. The Company has advised the other members of the Sanford Group that we are unwilling at this time to agree to pay any sum in excess of the \$650,000 committed by us in the Third Participation Agreement.

Several members of the Sanford Group recently concluded negotiations with two adjacent property owners to resolve damages that the property owners allege that they have/will incur as a result of the implementation of the EPA approved remedy. In settlement of these claims, members of the Sanford Group (excluding the Company) have agreed to pay specified sums of money to the parties. In one case, the settlement agreement requires the select members of the Sanford Group to purchase the third party's property for approximately \$2 million; the third party then has an option to buy back the property after completion of the remedy for approximately the same amount. In the other case, the select members agreed to a lump sum payment of \$428,000. The Company has refused to participate in the funding of the third party settlement agreements based on the contention that it did not contribute to the release of hazardous substances at the site giving rise to the third party claims.

As of December 31, 2008, the Company's share of remediation expenses, plus the Company's attorneys' fees and costs, are projected to be approximately \$645,000 for this site. However, at this time, we are unable to determine, to a reasonable degree of certainty, whether the other members of the Sanford Group will accept the Company's asserted defense to liability for costs exceeding \$13 million to implement the final remedy for the site or will pursue a claim against the Company for a sum in excess of the \$650,000 that FPUC has committed to fund the remedy.

Pensacola Site

The Company is the prior owner/operator of the former Pensacola gasification plant, located at the intersection of Cervantes Street and the Louisville and Nashville (CSX) Railroad line, Pensacola, Florida. Following notification on October 5, 1990, that the Florida Department of Environmental Protection had determined that the Company was one of several responsible parties for any environmental impacts associated with the former gasification plant site, the Company entered into cost sharing agreements with three other responsible parties providing for the funding of certain contamination assessment activities at the site.

Following field investigations performed on behalf of the responsible parties, on July 16, 1997, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection approved a final remedy for the site that provides for annual sampling of selected monitoring wells. Such annual sampling has been undertaken at the site since 1998. The Company's share of these costs is less than \$2,000 annually.

In March 1999, the United States Environmental Protection Agency requested site access in order to undertake an Expanded Site Inspection. The Expanded Site Inspection was completed by the United States Environmental Protection Agency's contractor in 1999 and an Expanded Site Inspection Report was transmitted to the Company in January 2000. The Expanded Site Inspection Report recommends additional work at the site. The responsible parties met with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection on February 7, 2000 to discuss the United States Environmental Protection Agency's plans for the site. In February 2000, the United States Environmental Protection Agency indicated preliminarily that it will defer management of the site to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection; as of July 31, 2008, the Company has not received any written confirmation from the United States Environmental Protection Agency or the Florida Department of Environmental Protection regarding this matter. Prior to receipt of the United States Environmental Protection Agency's written determination regarding site management, we are unable to determine whether additional field work or site remediation will be required by the United States Environmental Protection Agency and, if so, the scope or costs of such work.

As of December 31, 2008, the Company's share of remediation expenses for the site, including attorney's fees and costs, are projected to be approximately \$27,000.

Key West Site

Between 1927 and 1938, the Company owned and operated a gasification plant on Catherine Street, in Key West, Florida. The plant discontinued operations in the late 1940s; the property on which the plant was located is currently used for a propane gas distribution business. In March 1993, a Preliminary Contamination Assessment Report was prepared by a consultant jointly retained by the Company and the current site owner and was delivered to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection. The Preliminary Contamination Assessment Report reported that very limited soil and groundwater impacts were present at the site. By letter dated December 20, 1993, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection notified the Company that the site did not warrant further "CERCLA consideration and a Site Evaluation Accomplished disposition is recommended." the Florida Department of Environmental Protection then referred the matter to its Marathon office for consideration of whether additional work would be required by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection's district office under Florida law. As of December 31, 2008, the Company has received no further communication from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection with respect to the site. At this time, we are unable to determine whether additional field work will be required by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and, if so, the scope or costs of such work. In 1999, the Company received an estimate from its consultant that additional costs to assess and remediate the reported impacts would be approximately \$166,000. As of December 31, 2008 and assuming the current owner shared in such costs according to the allocation agreed upon by the parties for the Preliminary Contamination Assessment Report, the Company's share of remediation expenses, including attorneys' fees and costs, is projected to be \$93,000 for this site.

Item 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

None.

Executive Officers of the Registrant

The following sets forth certain information about the executive officers of the Company as of February 17, 2009.

<u>Name</u>	Age	Position	Date
John T. English	65	Chairman of the Board Chief Executive Officer President Chief Operating Officer	2006 - Present 1998 - Present 1997 - Present 1997 - 2000
Charles L. Stein	59	Chief Operating Officer Senior Vice President	2001 – Present 1997 – Present
George M. Bachman	49	Corporate Secretary Chief Financial Officer Treasurer	2004 - Present 2001 - Present 2001 - Present

Mr. English was Senior Vice President of the Company from 1993 preceding his appointment as President and Chief Operating Officer.

Mr. Stein was Vice President of the Company from 1993 preceding his appointment as Senior Vice President.

Mr. Bachman was Controller of the Company from 1996 preceding his appointment as Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer.

Each of these executive officers has an employment agreement dated August 21, 2008 with a term through August 21, 2011, which can be renewed by the Board prior to the expiration of the agreement subject to earlier resignation or removal. There are no family relationships among any of the executive officers and directors of the Company.

PART II

Item 5. Market for Registrant's Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

Quarterly Stock Prices and Dividends Paid

Our common shares are traded on the NYSE Amex under the symbol FPU. The quarterly dividends declared and the reported last low and high price ranges per share of our common stock as reported by the NYSE Amex for the most recent two years were as follows:

		2008		2007					
:-	Stock Prices		Dividends	Stock I	rices	Dividends			
Quarter ended	Low	High	Declared	Low	High	Declared			
March 31	\$10.75	\$12.35	\$0.1125	\$11.90	\$13.50	\$0.1075			
June 30	10.34	12.25	0.1175	11.01	12.91	0.1125			
September 30	11.40	13.12	0.1175	11.15	12.49	0.1125			
December 31	8.00	13.09	0.1175	11.24	12.83	0.1125			

As of January 28, 2009, there were approximately 3,741 holders of record of our common shares.

We intend to pay quarterly cash dividends for the foreseeable future. Our dividend policy is reviewed on an ongoing basis by our Board of Directors and is dependent upon future earnings, cash flow, financial condition, capital requirements, debt covenants, and other factors. Our Fifteenth Supplemental Indenture of Mortgage and Deed of Trust restricts the amount that is available for cash dividends. At December 31, 2008, approximately \$10.2 million of retained earnings were free of such restriction and available for the payment of dividends.

Securities Authorized for Issuance under Equity Compensation Plans

Equity Compensation Plan Information

Plan Category

Number of Securities remaining available for future issuance under equity compensation plans

134,750*

Equity compensation plans approved by security holders Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders Total

134.750

Item 6. Selected Financial Data

(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)

Years Ended December 31,	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004(2)
Revenues (1)	\$ 168,548	\$ 136,542	\$ 134,781	\$ 130,285	\$ 110,131
Gross profit (1)	\$ 51,227	\$ 48,721	\$ 48,810	\$ 47,481	\$ 40,781
Net income	\$ 3,486	\$ 3,301	\$ 4,169	\$ 4,248	\$ 3,594
Earnings per common share (basic and diluted):	\$ 0.57	\$ 0.54	\$ 0.69	\$ 0.71	\$ 0.60
Dividends declared per common share	\$ 0.47	\$ 0.45	\$ 0.43	\$ 0.41	\$ 0.40
Total assets (1)	\$ 208,931	\$ 192,344	\$ 181,234	\$ 182,666	\$ 170,503
Utility plant - net	\$ 142,325	\$ 138,372	\$ 129,211	\$ 123,061	\$ 117,191
Current debt	\$ 14,156	\$ 12,531	\$ 3,466	\$ 9,558	\$ 5,825
Long-term debt	\$ 47,920	\$ 49,363	\$ 50,702	\$ 50,620	\$ 50,538
Common shareholders' equity	\$ 48,512	\$ 48,946	\$ 47,572	\$ 45,503	\$ 43,213

Note to the Selected Financial Data:

- (1) Prior period amounts have been reclassified to conform to current year presentation.
- (2) On July 25, 2005 a three-for-two stock split in the form of a stock dividend was issued to the shareholders of record on July 15, 2005. All common share information has been restated to reflect the stock split for all periods presented.

Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operation

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Revenues and Gross Profit Summary

The Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC) allows us to bill and include in our revenue the costs of fuel, conservation, and revenue-based taxes, incurred in our natural gas and electric segments. Revenues collected for these expenses have no effect on results of operations and fluctuations could distort the relationship of revenues between periods. We define gross profit as operating revenues less fuel, conservation and revenue-based taxes that are passed directly through to customers. Because gross profit excludes these cost recovery revenues, we believe it provides a more meaningful basis for evaluating utility revenue. The following summary compares gross profit, units sold, and average customers for the past

^{*} This includes 13,399 shares for the Non-Employee Director Compensation Plan. This plan was adopted by the Board of Directors on March 18, 2005 and was approved at the 2005 meeting of shareholders. This also includes 1,351 treasury shares for the Employee Stock Purchase Plan; 5,000 of which were approved and added on June 27, 2008. Also included are 120,000 new shares for the Employee Stock Purchase Plan that was adopted by the Board of Directors on March 11, 2008 and was approved at the 2008 meeting of shareholders.

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Revenues and Gross Profit

(Dollars in thousands)

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Natural Gas

Natural gas revenues increased \$7.8 million, or 12% in 2008 over 2007 due to increases to recover fuel costs, which are passed through to customers. Our gross profit, which excludes expenses directly passed through to customers, remained flat as compared to the prior year. The percentage of gross profit to total revenues decreased by 4% compared to the prior year due to increases in our cost of fuel and the resulting increased pass-through revenue. The average customer growth increased marginally in 2008 compared to 2007 primarily due to the conversion of a large community from propane to natural gas in September 2007. In spite of colder weather, units sold decreased by 1% most likely as the result of conservation measures taken by our customers due to higher fuel costs, the downturn in the housing market, and the economy as a whole.

We recorded additional 2006 over-earnings of \$135,000 which reduced revenues and gross profit in the third quarter of 2008. The FPSC approved finalization of the 2006 over-earnings on September 29, 2008 and ordered the Company to fund its natural gas storm reserve to offset any future storm costs.

Natural gas revenues decreased \$6.3 million, or 9% in 2007 over 2006. As the cost of natural gas declined, the revenues to recover the fuel costs, which are passed through to customers, decreased by \$5.7 million. Our gross profit, which excludes expenses directly passed through to customers, decreased by \$631,000 or 2%. The percentage of gross profit to total revenues increased by 3% compared to the prior year due to increases in our cost of fuel and the resulting increased pass-through revenue. Although customer growth was up in 2007 compared to 2006, we experienced a 3% decrease in units sold primarily due to milder weather.

Electric

Electric revenues increased \$23.1 million or 42% in 2008 over 2007. The cost of fuel and other costs

passed through to customers contributed to \$20.4 million of the increase, as a result of higher fuel costs reflected in new fuel contracts effective January 1, 2008 in our Northwest division. Gross profit increased \$2.7 million, or 19% compared to 2007 primarily due to the recent base rate increase. The percentage of gross profit to total revenues decreased by 4% compared to the prior year due to increases in our cost of fuel and the resulting increased pass-through revenue. This was despite a 5% decrease in units sold to our non-industrial customers. The decrease in consumption may be the result of conservation measures taken by our customers and the overall downturn in the economy.

Gross profit was not materially impacted from reduced consumption as this was forecasted in our recent electric rate increase approved in April 2008. Rates were set to compensate for the anticipated reduction in units sold due to significant increases in fuel costs. The FPSC approved the final annual electric rate increase of approximately \$3.9 million effective May 22, 2008. An interim rate increase of approximately \$800,000 annually was in effect from November 22, 2007 until the final rates went into effect.

Electric revenues increased \$7.0 million or 14% in 2007 over 2006. Cost of fuel and other costs that were passed through to customers contributed to \$6.9 million of the increase as a result of higher fuel costs reflected in the new fuel contracts effective January 1, 2007 in our Northeast division. Gross profit, which excludes the fuel and other costs passed through in revenue, was flat compared to 2006. The percentage of gross profit to total revenues decreased by 4% compared to the prior year due to increases in our cost of fuel and the resulting increased pass-through revenue. Although the number of customers increased by 1%, there was a marginal decrease in units sold, excluding units sold to industrial customers, as a result of possible conservation measures taken by our customers due to the fuel cost increases.

Propane Gas

Propane revenues increased \$1.1 million, or 7%, primarily as a result of increased rates to our customers to recover \$1.3 million in increased fuel costs. Gross profit declined by \$191,000 or 2% in 2008 compared to 2007 as a result of a 7.5% decrease in units sold. In spite of colder temperatures, units sold declined as a result of the conversion of a large development from propane to natural gas in September 2007. In addition, the downturn in the housing market and the economy had a negative impact on customer growth and usage per customer. Additionally, we recorded an inventory loss adjustment of approximately \$110,000 in 2008. This loss may have been caused primarily by faulty metering equipment and measurement errors.

Propane revenues increased \$1.1 million, or 7%, in 2007 compared to 2006. Higher fuel costs caused \$625,000 of this increase. Gross profit increased \$431,000 or 6% in 2007 compared to 2006. Although we experienced a 4% decrease in units sold to customers due to warmer weather, this was offset by increased rates and service fees.

Operating Expenses

Operating expenses include operation, maintenance, depreciation, amortization and taxes other than income taxes, and exclude fuel costs, conservation and taxes based on revenues that are directly passed through to customers and recovered in revenues.

Operating Expenses (Dollars in thousands)

	Year Ended December 31,					
		2008		2007		2006
Natural gas	\$	23,022	\$	21,951	\$	21,112
Electric		12,885		11,726		11,215
Propane gas		6,211		6,223		6,306
Total Operating Expenses	\$	42,118	\$	39,900	\$	38,633

Natural Gas

Natural gas operating expenses increased \$1.1 million, or 5%, in 2008 as compared with 2007. Administrative expenses account for \$401,000 of this increase and are discussed in a separate section below. We experienced a \$449,000 increase in expenses relating to uncollectible accounts which may be another consequence of the declining economy. To address this issue, we have increased our collection efforts and are enforcing deposit requirements. The increase includes a large write off of \$164,000 for a commercial customer bankruptcy. Depreciation expense increased \$194,000 due to normal plant growth and the conversion of the Summer Glen development from propane to natural gas in September of 2007.

To help offset increased expenditures, we reduced selling expenses by eliminating sales positions. Additionally, other operating expenses decreased as a result of the slowdown in the economy and housing market. We experienced fewer installations of gas lines to residential customers as new construction activities continued to decline. The combined impact was a decrease in our other operating and sales expenses of \$269,000.

Natural gas operating expenses increased \$839,000, or 4%, in 2007 as compared with 2006. Administrative expenses accounted for \$503,000 of the increase and are discussed in a separate section below. Depreciation expense increased \$291,000 due in part to construction of mains and additional meters to distribute gas to new developments in South Florida along with increasing capacity requirements for existing customers. As a result of a new management focus to offset the effects of the construction industry and housing market slowdown, we increased our efforts to provide improved customer service and upgraded our existing meter equipment resulting in an increase of related expenses of \$287,000. This increase was offset by a \$245,000 reduction in sales expense resulting from the elimination of three sales positions due to cut backs related to the slowdown in the housing market.

Electric

Electric operating expenses increased \$1.2 million, or 10%, in 2008 as compared with 2007. Administrative expenses account for \$106,000 of the increase and are discussed in a separate section below. Operating expenses increased by \$192,000 due to the addition of an engineering position and due to the additional substation, line and lighting inspections necessary to comply with new operating requirements. As a result of storm hardening initiatives recently mandated by the FPSC, tree trimming and other maintenance expenses increased by \$231,000. New electric depreciation rates, that were effective January 1, 2008, and normal plant growth increased depreciation expense by \$495,000. A portion of the 2008 depreciation expense was not recovered in 2008 in electric rates due to the timing of final rate increase.

Electric operating expenses increased \$511,000, or 5%, in 2007 as compared with 2006. Administrative expenses accounted for \$437,000 of the increase and are discussed in a separate section below. Due to a quiet hurricane season this year, we were able to re-direct work efforts and make some operating and safety improvements of our overall electric system, which increased operating expenses by \$136,000. As a result of a milder storm season, we experienced a decrease in weather-related maintenance of conduct, lines and poles expenses of \$184,000.

Propane Gas

Propane gas operating expenses remained flat in 2008 as compared with 2007. We experienced decreased selling expenses of \$146,000 as a result of a continued drop in demand from the slowdown of new construction in South Florida and the overall economy.

Additionally, other operating expenses and depreciation expense decreased \$133,000 and \$75,000, respectively, due in a large part to a conversion of customers in our central Florida division from propane to natural gas in the fourth quarter of 2007. These expenses were offset by increased general administrative expenses of \$236,000, discussed in a separate section below, and increased customer accounts expense of \$67,000 relating to increased bad debts, due to the downturn in the economy.

Propane gas operating expenses decreased \$83,000, or 1%, in 2007 as compared with 2006. The major reason for the decrease was lower selling expenses as a result of a drop in demand from the slowdown of new construction in South Florida. Additionally, the SummerGlen project was converted from a propane system to natural gas in the fourth quarter of 2007 causing all related expenses to shift to our natural gas segment.

Administrative Expenses

Administrative expenses which includes allocations for merchandising and jobbing, increased \$743,000, or 7%, in 2008 over 2007. Approximately \$500,000 of this increase was due to professional fees and expenses incurred in the second quarter of 2008 related to strategic development activity no longer ongoing. The impact to net income for these expenses is approximately \$312,000, or \$.05 per share, for the year ending December 31, 2008. Pension and medical costs continued to outpace inflation, increasing \$125,000 and \$165,000, respectively. We experienced an increase to payroll and temporary staffing costs of \$334,000 as a result of normal pay raises and additional temporary assistance related to tax work. These increases were partially offset by a drop in general liability expenses of \$581,000, as discussed below, since claims in

2007 were above normal levels.

Administrative expenses increased \$1 million, or 11%, in 2007 over 2006. Several unusual claims resulting in settlements were the primary reasons for the \$796,000 increase to our liability expenses. These claims were for several general liability suits related to auto, employment and liability issues. In addition, our payroll expenses increased \$163,000 as a result of annual pay raises.

Total Other Income and Deductions

Other income and deductions include merchandise and service revenues and expenses; gains and losses on disposal of property; interest expense; and miscellaneous income and expenses. Merchandise sales and installation and interest expenses are the largest components of this section and are discussed below.

Merchandise and Services Revenue and Expenses

Merchandise and services revenue and expenses decreased by \$582,000 and \$472,000, respectively, resulting in decreased profit of \$110,000 in 2008 as compared to 2007. We continue to face a slowdown in the construction industry and housing market, in addition to current economic conditions. This has reduced the demand for new merchandise and installations. Management does not anticipate the housing market or economy will rebound in 2009, and expects sales to stay suppressed.

In 2007, merchandise and services revenue and expenses decreased by \$1.1 million and \$1.3 million, respectively, although our overall profit increased \$125,000, as compared to 2006. A lower number of product installations actually improved our profit margin on the installation side of our business. We had fewer customer owned tank installations and we discontinued generator sales, both of which are historically less profitable. The slowdown in the construction industry and housing market, along with a quiet hurricane season, dramatically reduced the demand for new merchandise.

Interest Expense

Interest expense consists of interest on bonds, short-term borrowings, over earnings and customer deposits. In 2008, interest expense decreased \$54,000. This is mainly due to a drop in tax related interest expense relating to prior year IRS audit findings and the related interest expense. Interest expense in long-term borrowing decreased due to the partial repayment of principal from a sinking fund payment. This was offset by increased short-term interest expense due to a higher balance on the line of credit.

Other

Income was generated in 2008 from a special project to build a propane facility for a fire rescue department. This is the primary reason for the \$59,000 increase to other net non-operating income.

Income Taxes

Higher taxable income increased income tax expense by \$106,000 in 2008 over 2007.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Summary of Primary Sources and Uses of Cash

(Dollars in thousands)	Year Ended December 31,		
	2008	2007	2006
Sources of Cash:			
Operating activities, including working capital changes	\$12,620	\$14,526	\$20,090
Net proceeds on short-term debt	1,625	7,656	=
Other sources of cash	814	923	1,179
Uses of Cash:			
Construction expenditures	11,227	16,740	13,116
Dividends paid	2,788	2,681	2,551
Net payment on long-term & short-term debt	1,442	-	6,092
Other uses of cash	83	290	121
Net (use) source of cash	\$ (481)	\$ 3,394	\$ (611)

Cash Flows

Operating Activities

Net cash flow provided by operating activities decreased by approximately \$1.9 million in 2008 as compared to 2007. This was caused by several factors:

- Fuel costs increased over the prior year and we also refunded prior year over-recoveries. Both of these items caused a decrease in cash of \$2.1 million compared to the prior year.
- We experienced a \$2.2 million decrease in cash as a result of higher receivables due to increased revenues.

- We had a \$2.2 million decrease in cash resulting from prepaid taxes primarily as a result of expected pension contributions to be made in 2009 for the 2008 plan year. We expect to receive this tax refund in the first half of 2009.
- We experienced a \$3.7 million increase in cash from reductions in current taxes paid compared to the prior year. The primary reason for this increase was depreciation true-ups for prior tax years. This partially offset the decrease to cash listed above.

Net cash flow provided by operating activities decreased in 2007 by approximately \$5.6 million compared to 2006. We had a \$6.4 million decrease related to refunding the prior over-recovery of fuel and other pass through costs.

Investing Activities

Capital expenditures decreased in 2008 compared to 2007 by approximately \$5.5 million. The majority of the decrease was a result of purchase of land for the future site of our South Florida operations facility for approximately \$3.5 million in the prior year. During 2007, our Northwest Florida electric division incurred above normal expenditures of \$265,000 for storm hardening projects, meter, and regulator purchases. In our Northeast Florida electric division, \$600,000 of 2008 scheduled electric transmission expenditures were delayed until 2009 due to contractor scheduling conflicts and specification changes. In addition there was a significant reduction in expenditures for distribution facilities and installations this year because of the slowdown in the construction industry and economy.

Capital expenditures increased in 2007 compared to 2006 by approximately \$3.6 million. The major component of the increase was the purchase of land for approximately \$3.5 million for the future site of our South Florida operations facility.

Financing Activities

Cash from short-term borrowings decreased by approximately \$6.0 million in 2008, primarily due to increased borrowings in 2007 to fund the purchase of land for our South Florida division. Cash of \$1.4 million was used in 2008 for sinking fund payments due in the second quarter of this year.

Short-term borrowings increased by approximately \$7.7 million in 2007. The main reasons for the increase were the purchase of land for our South Florida operations center and the repayment of over-recoveries of fuel costs from prior periods.

Capital Resources

We have a revolving line of credit with Bank of America which expires July 1, 2010. Prior to March 2008, the available line of credit was \$15 million with the ability to increase the limit to a maximum of \$20 million upon 30 days notice. In March 2008, we amended our line of credit to allow us, upon 30 days notice, to increase our maximum credit line from \$20 million to \$26 million and to reduce the interest rate paid on borrowings by 0.10% or 10 basis points. In April 2008, we increased the currently available line of credit from \$12 million to \$15 million and at December 31, 2008, the balance outstanding was \$12.7 million. We reserve \$1 million of the line of credit to cover potential expenses for any major storm repairs in our electric segment and an additional \$250,000 for a letter of credit insuring propane gas facilities.

The line of credit contains affirmative and negative covenants that, if violated, would give the bank the right to accelerate the due date of the loan to be immediately payable. The line of credit covenants with Bank of America include certain financial ratios, all of which are currently met. However, see 'Covenants' below under "Outlook and Subsequent Events".

The line of credit, long-term debt and preferred stock as of December 31, 2008 comprised 56% of total debt and equity capitalization.

Historically we have periodically paid off short-term borrowings under lines of credit using the net proceeds from the sale of long-term debt or equity securities. We continue to review our financing options including increasing our short-term line of credit, issuing equity, or issuing debt. The choice of financing will be dependent on prevailing market conditions, the impact to our financial covenants and the effect on income. The timing of additional funding will be dependent on projected environmental expenditures, building of the South Florida operations facility, pension contributions, and other capital expenditures.

Our 1942 Indenture of Mortgage and Deed of Trust, which is a mortgage on all real and personal property,

permits the issuance of additional bonds based upon a calculation of unencumbered net real and personal property. At December 31, 2008, such calculation would permit the issuance of approximately \$49.7 million of additional bonds.

On October 14, 2008 we received approval from the FPSC to issue and sell or exchange an additional amount of \$45 million in any combination of long-term debt, short-term notes and equity securities and/or to assume liabilities or obligations as guarantor, endorser or surety during calendar year 2009.

We have \$3.5 million in invested funds for payment of future environmental costs. We expect to use some or all of these funds in 2010 and 2011.

We expect to receive tax refunds of approximately \$2.2 million in early 2009. The primary reason for this refund is our planned pension contribution of \$4.6 million for plan year 2008 expected to be made in 2009 as shown in Note 13A in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements. This pension contribution is a deduction for tax purposes in 2008 calendar year; but was not known at the time of estimated tax payments made in calendar year 2008.

As of December 31, 2008 there was approximately \$5.9 million in receivables from the 2003 sale of our water assets. We received an installment of \$252,000 in February of 2009. Final payment of principal and interest totaling \$5.8 million is expected in February 2010.

Capital Requirements

Portions of our business are seasonal and dependent upon weather conditions in Florida. This affects the sale of electricity and gas and impacts the cash provided by operations. Construction costs also impact cash requirements throughout the year. Cash needs for operations and construction are met partially through short-term borrowings from our line of credit.

Capital expenditures were originally expected to be higher in 2009 compared to 2008 by approximately \$3.1 million. However, management has decided to reduce capital expenditures significantly when possible for 2009, which should lower capital expenditures to the 2008 level of \$11.2 million or below. Overall, 2008 experienced decreased capital investments due to the downturn in the economic climate and reduced construction levels. The 2009 projected capital expenditures reflect normal spending levels required for replacement natural gas construction related to expected road construction and include \$800,000 for system improvements and expansion within our natural gas segments.

Cash requirements will increase significantly in the future due to environmental cleanup costs, sinking fund payments on long-term debt and pension contributions. Environmental cleanup is forecast to require payments of \$774,000 in 2009, with remaining payments, which could total approximately \$9.1 million, net of investment proceeds, beginning in 2010. Annual long-term debt sinking fund payments of approximately \$1.4 million will continue in 2009 for ten years.

The Company made a voluntary contribution in our defined benefit pension plan of \$400,000 in 2008 for the 2007 plan and expects to make 2009 contributions of \$4.6 million for the 2008 plan and \$1.2 million for the 2009 plan. Refer to Note 13A in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements. We will continue to make contributions as required by the Pension Protection Act funding rules. As a result of the current economic climate and the impact to the stock market investments held within our pension plan, future contributions to our defined benefit pension plan are expected to increase. Annual contributions are expected to range between approximately \$1.8 million and \$5.9 million in each of the next five calendar years. Our total pension contributions over the next five years are anticipated to be approximately \$15 million. Annual pension expenses are projected to be between \$1 million and \$2 million per year over the next five years. The total expenses for this five year period are projected to be approximately \$8 million.

In an effort to reduce anticipated pension costs and the pension liability, the Company is proposing to freeze this plan effective December 31, 2009. With the freeze, total pension expense and total pension contributions for the next five years are expected to be approximately \$1 million and \$12 million, respectively. As a result of the freeze, annual contribution payments are expected to be \$3.7 million in 2010, \$600,000 in 2011, \$1.2 million in 2012 and \$1.0 million in 2013.

We believe that cash from operations, coupled with short-term borrowings on our line of credit, will be sufficient to satisfy our operating expenses, normal construction expenditure and dividend payments

through 2009; however we are considering equity or debt financing in 2009 or 2010. The need and timing will depend upon operational requirements, the timing of environmental expenditures, pension contributions and construction expenditures. In addition, if we experience significant environmental expenditures in the next two or three years it is possible we may need to raise additional funds. There can be no assurance, however, that equity or debt transaction financing will be available on favorable terms or at all when we make the decision to proceed with a financing transaction.

Outlook and Subsequent Events

Electric Franchise Marianna

The City of Marianna is currently reviewing the franchise agreement with the Company that is up for renewal in 2010. The City has hired a Consultant to review the feasibility of purchasing the portion of our electric system that is within the city limits. If the City elects to purchase the Marianna portion of the distribution system, it would be required to pay the fair market value, and would need to invest in the infrastructure to operate this limited facility. If the franchise is not renewed and the City purchases this portion of our electric system, the Company would have a gain in the year of the acquisition; but, ongoing financial results would be negatively impacted from the loss of this operating area within our electric operations. At this time we do not believe the City will find it prudent and expect it to renew the Marianna Franchise.

Storm Preparedness Expenses

Regulators continue to focus on hurricane preparedness and storm recovery issues for utility companies. Newly mandated storm preparedness initiatives have impacted our 2008 earnings and will continue to impact our operating expenses and capital expenditures in 2009. The current forecast is not expected to exceed additional annual expenditures of approximately \$260,000. During the 2008 rate proceeding, these storm preparedness costs were approved and have been included in the base rates. It is possible that additional regulation and rules will be mandated regarding storm related expenditures over the next several years.

Land Purchase

We purchased land for \$3.5 million in July 2007 for a new South Florida operations facility. We started preparing plans for site development of this property and may begin construction in the next one to three years.

We have a commitment to purchase land for approximately \$200,000 adjacent to our Central Florida operations facility for additional parking. We expect to close on this land purchase in 2009.

Medical Insurance

We continue to experience increases in our medical insurance costs. Management expects an increase of approximately \$104,000, or 4%, in 2009 over 2008. The combination of historical claims and the market trend resulted in an overall rate increase in 2009. The Company will continue to proactively identify healthcare options that will help control our overall medical costs and strive to assist our employees in improving their health.

Natural Gas Base Rate Proceeding

We filed a request with the FPSC in the fourth quarter of 2008 for a base rate increase of approximately \$9.9 million annually in our natural gas segment. This request included recovery of increased expenses and some capital expenditures since our last rate proceeding in 2004. Finalization of this request and approval, if any, of a natural gas base rate increase would not occur until mid 2009.

Interim rate relief was approved by the FPSC on February 10, 2009 for partial recovery of the increased expenditures. Interim rates which should produce additional annual revenues of approximately \$1.0 million became effective for meter readings on and after March 12, 2009. The permanent rates may differ from the interim rates. The interim rates are collected subject to refund with interest.

If the FPSC approves partial recovery instead of full recovery of the requested rate increase, which includes recovery of increased expenses; return on capital expenditures; and a requested return on common equity, the impact to our 2009 and future net operating income in our natural gas segment would be lower than anticipated.

Natural Gas Depreciation Study

We filed a depreciation study with the FPSC in the fourth quarter of 2008 for our natural gas segment. We requested an implementation date to coincide with a change to our natural gas base rates expected to be effective mid 2009. We expect depreciation expense will increase approximately \$400,000 annually beginning mid 2009, and expect full recovery for this increased expense in our rate increase.

Large Customer in NE Electric Division

A large industrial customer in our Northeast electric division filed for bankruptcy on January 26, 2009.

Although the average monthly gross profit from this customer was approximately \$29,000 in 2008, the average total monthly bill including fuel costs for this customer was approximately \$250,000. This customer has currently paid all outstanding amounts that were due as of December 31, 2008. The Company has reserved approximately \$200,000 for this potential bad debt in the first quarter of 2009 awaiting the outcome of this bankruptcy proceeding. If the courts determine that we have to refund any prior payments, the Company may be required to write-off a portion of this customer's receivables including fuel cost to our reserve. If a write off is required for this customer, the Company plans to request special treatment from the FPSC to defer the write-off of this receivable to bad debt expense until the Company's next base rate proceeding and to amortize the write-off to bad debt expense over four years.

Bad Debt Expense

Management expects bad debt expense and related write-offs of receivables to continue increasing further in 2009 as a result of the current economic climate and the impact to our customers. We are not able to predict the impact to our financial results, but we do anticipate an increase to bad debt expense over the current levels.

Energy Efficiency Legislation

Regulators are focusing on several legislative issues involving the Energy Policy Act of 2005 and the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 and related issues. One major provision is the implementation of a renewable portfolio standard. Since the Company is a non-generating utility with

existing ten year all-requirements wholesale energy contracts, there is significant concern over the additional purchased power cost that may be required to comply with the standard. Although this cost may be passed on to the customers through a rate increase, continued decrease in customer usage will have an impact on operations. "Smart Grid Technology" is another item being considered that would require significant capital investment to develop, install and manage. The Company understands the overall benefits from the legislation but the burden imposed on a small utility like ours is of particular concern. The Company is continuing to communicate with the FPSC to find solutions that will work for the Company, while maintaining manageable electric rates for customers.

Covenants

We have historically met all our line of credit and fuel supplier covenants. As of December 2008 we were in violation of a covenant regarding our total liabilities to tangible net worth ratio included in one of our supply agreements with a fuel provider. The violation was caused primarily by a significant increase in our pension liability. Failure to meet this covenant would have required us to provide a one year irrevocable letter of credit for \$3.3 million; however, we received a 30 day time extension to March 27, 2009 to meet this covenant ratio. On March 20, 2009, we calculated the covenant ratio, as of February 28, 2009, and are now are in compliance with this covenant. We plan to notify the fuel provider before March 27, 2009 of our compliance. At this time management does not anticipate any further covenant violations.

Our line of credit contains a similar covenant ratio. The Company is in compliance with all covenants on our line of credit and other fuel supply agreements at December 31, 2008. Management is continuing to take steps to comply with all covenants going forward, but there can be no assurance that further deterioration of the market or the economy will not occur and give rise to a violation.

Contractual Obligations

Table of Contractual Obligations

(Dollars in thousands)

		Less than		3 to 5	More than
Payments due by period:	Total	1 year	1 to 3 years	years	5 years
Long-term Debt Obligations	\$50,966	\$1,409	\$2,818	\$2,818	\$43,921
Long-term Debt Interest	55,923	3,736	7,061	6,512	38,614
Natural Gas and Propane Gas Purchase Obligations	48,635	31,070	9,753	5,311	2,501
Electric Purchase Obligations	5,170	574	1,149	1,149	2,298
Other Purchase Obligations	972	863	105	4	-
Pension Plan Contributions	17,757	1,790	8,250	4,655	3,062
Total	\$179,423	\$39,442	\$29,136	\$20,449	\$90,396

Long-term Debt Obligations

The Long-term Debt Obligations are principal amounts.

Long-term Debt Interest

The Long-term Debt Interest represents the interest obligation on our mortgage bonds.

Natural Gas and Propane Gas Purchase Obligations

Our Natural Gas Purchase Obligations consist of those contracts necessary to arrange for the purchase of natural gas to meet our demand requirements as well as those contacts necessary to arrange for the interstate and intrastate transport to our gate stations. In addition, our Propane Gas Purchase Obligations consist of those contracts necessary to arrange for the purchase and delivery of propane gas to our storage facilities to meet demand requirements.

Electric Purchase Obligations

The Company's contracts for the supply of electricity in our Northeast division effective January 1, 2007 and our Northwest division effective in January 1, 2008 significantly increased our contractual obligations over prior years due to a minimum purchase provision.

Purchase Obligations

A purchase order is considered an obligation if it is associated with a contract or is authorizing a specific purchase of material. The Other Purchase Obligation amount presented above represents the amount of open purchase orders.

Pension, Medical Postretirement and Other Obligations

Our pension plan continues to meet all minimum pension funding requirements under ERISA and will continue to do so with contributions required during 2009. Current projections indicate that we will make required contributions in 2009 of \$560,000 for our 2008 plan year and \$1.2 million for our 2009 plan year. We also intend to make voluntary contributions in 2009 of approximately \$4.1 million for our 2008 plan year as summarized in Note 13A in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements. These voluntary contributions are not included in less than one year column in the Contractual Obligations table. We will continue to make future contributions as required by the Pension Protection Act to satisfy minimum funding rules and to avoid any pension plan restrictions.

In an effort to reduce the anticipated expenses and pension liability, the Company is proposing to freeze the pension plan effective December 31, 2009 for all employees currently in the Company's pension plan. The freeze will reduce both pension expenses and pension contribution beginning in 2010. The freeze will stop additional benefits from accruing in the future, including freezing salary rates at levels existing in 2009. With the freeze, total pension expense and total pension contributions for the next five years are expected to be approximately \$1 million and \$12 million, respectively.

Environmental cleanup is anticipated to require approximately \$774,000 in 2009, the remainder to be paid in following years. These payments are not included in the Contractual Obligations table.

We have medical postretirement payments relating to retiree medical insurance. These payments are not included in the Contractual Obligations table. Estimated future payments are described in Note 13A in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

Dividends

We have historically paid dividends. It is our intention to continue to pay quarterly dividends for the foreseeable future. However, our dividend policy is reviewed on an ongoing basis by our Board of Directors and is dependent upon our future earnings, cash flow, financial condition, capital requirements, debt covenants and other factors. Our Fifteenth Supplemental Indenture of Mortgage and Deed of Trust restricts the amount that is available for cash dividends. At December 31, 2008, approximately \$10.2 million of retained earnings were free of such restriction and available for the payment of dividends.

Line of Credit

We have a revolving line of credit with Bank of America which expires July 1, 2010. Prior to March 2008, the line of credit was for an available line of \$15 million with the ability to increase the limit to a maximum of \$20 million upon 30 days notice. In March 2008, we amended our line of credit to allow us, upon 30 days notice, to increase our maximum credit line from \$20 million to \$26 million and to reduce the interest rate paid on borrowings by 0.10% or 10 basis points. In April 2008, we increased the currently available line of credit from \$12 million to \$15 million and at December 31, 2008, the balance outstanding was \$12.7 million. We reserve \$1 million of the line of credit to cover potential expenses for any major storm repairs in our electric segment and an additional \$250,000 for a letter of credit insuring propane gas facilities.

Other

Impact of Recent Accounting Standards

Financial Accounting Standard No. 157

In September 2006, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standard (SFAS) No. 157, "Fair Value Measurements". This statement clarifies fair value as the market value received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability, that is, the exit value, and applies to any assets or liabilities that require recurring determination of fair value. The measurement includes any applicable risk factors and does not include any adjustment for volume. On February 12, 2008, the FASB issued proposed FASB Staff Position No. 157-2, "Effective Date of FASB Statement No. 157" which deferred the effective date for all nonfinancial assets and nonfinancial liabilities, except those that are recognized or disclosed at fair value in the financial statements on a recurring basis (that is, at least annually) to fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2008. The Company has adopted SFAS No. 157 effective January 1, 2008 for financial assets and financial liabilities and effective January 1, 2009 for nonfinancial assets and nonfinancial liabilities. This statement did not have a material impact on our financial condition or results of operation.

Financial Accounting Standard No. 159

In February 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 159, "The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities". This statement permits measurement at fair value of certain firm commitments, nonfinancial insurance contracts and warranties, host financial instruments and recognized financial assets and liabilities, excluding consolidating investments in subsidiaries, consolidating variable interest entities, various forms of deferred compensation agreements, leases, depository institution deposit liabilities and financial instruments included in shareholders' equity. This statement is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007. We did not elect to report any additional assets or liabilities at fair value and accordingly, the adoption of SFAS 159 did not have a material effect on our financial position or results of operations.

Financial Accounting Standard No. 160

In December 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 160, "Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Financial Statements – an amendment of ARB No. 51". This standard requires noncontrolling ownership interests be disclosed separately in equity, separate disclosure of income contributable to each party, changes in controlling interests be reported consistently, and deconsolidation be measured at fair value. As the Company does not currently have any noncontrolling interests, this standard will not have an impact on

our financial condition or results of operations.

Financial Accounting Standard No. 141R

In December 2007, the FASB issued a revision to Statement No. 141, "Business Combinations". This statement is effective prospectively for business combinations occurring on or after January 1, 2009 for our Company. This revision broadens the scope of a business combination to include transactions in which no consideration has been exchanged, sets the acquisition date as the date control is obtained, replaces the cost allocation method with fair value method to assign values to assets and liabilities assumed, requires restructuring costs to be recorded separate of the business combination, and does not permit deferral of contractual contingencies at acquisition date. As this revision is adopted prospectively and all qualifying future business combinations would be evaluated under the new provisions, the effects on our results of operations will depend on the nature and size of any future acquisitions.

Financial Accounting Standard No. 161

In March 2008, the FASB issued Statement No. 161, "Disclosures about Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities – an amendment of FASB Statement No. 133". This standard requires enhanced disclosures about an entity's derivative and hedging activities and thereby improves the transparency of financial reporting. This statement is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years and interim periods beginning after November 15, 2008. The Company expects to adopt SFAS No. 161 effective January 1, 2009. The Company does not anticipate the adoption of this standard will have a material effect on our disclosures.

FASB Staff Position, FAS No. 142-3

In April 2008, the FASB issued FASB Staff Position, or "FSP", FAS 142-3, "Determination of the Useful Life of Intangible Assets," effective for financial statements issued for fiscal year beginning after December 15, 2008, and interim periods within those fiscal years. This FSP amends the factors that should be considered in developing renewal or extension assumptions used to determine the useful life of a recognized intangible asset under SFAS No. 142 "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets," thereby resulting in improved consistency between the useful life applied under SFAS No. 142, and the period of expected cash flows used to measure the fair value of the asset under SFAS No. 141R, "Business Combinations." We will adopt FSP FAS 142-3 effective January 1, 2009. We do not expect that the adoption of FSP, FAS No. 142-3 will have a material effect on our results of operations or financial position.

Financial Accounting Standard No. 162

In May 2008, the FASB issued Statement No. 162, "The Hierarchy of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles". This standard offers guidance on the principles used to prepare financial statements in accordance with GAAP. FASB Statements of Financial Accounting Concepts now supersede industry practice. The Company does not anticipate the adoption of this standard will have a material effect on our financial position or results of operation.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

Regulatory Accounting

We prepare our financial statements in accordance with the provisions of SFAS No. 71 "Accounting for the Effects of Certain Types of Regulation" and it is our most critical accounting policy. In general, SFAS No. 71 recognizes that accounting for rate-regulated enterprises should reflect the relationship of costs and revenues introduced by rate regulation. As a result, a regulated utility may defer recognition of a cost (a regulatory asset) or recognize an obligation (a regulatory liability) if it is probable that, through the rate making process, there will be a corresponding increase or decrease in revenues or expenses. SFAS No. 71 does not apply to our unregulated propane gas operations.

Criteria that give rise to the discontinuance of SFAS No. 71 include increasing competition that restricts our ability to establish prices to recover specific costs, and a significant change in the manner in which rates are set by regulators from cost-based regulation to another form of regulation. We periodically review these criteria to ensure that the continuing application of SFAS No. 71 is appropriate. Based on a current evaluation of the various factors and conditions that are expected to impact future cost recovery, we believe that our regulatory assets are probable of recovery.

Use of Estimates

We are required to use estimates in preparing our financial statements so they will be in compliance with

accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Actual results could differ from these estimates. We believe that the accruals for potential liabilities are adequate. The estimates in our financial statements included the accrual for pensions, environmental liabilities, over-earnings liability, unbilled revenues, allowances for doubtful accounts, uninsured liability claims and the regulatory deferred income tax and deferred income tax liabilities.

- Pension and post retirement benefits-An actuary calculates the estimated pension liability in accordance with FASB 87, FASB 88 as amended by FASB 132 and FASB 158.
- Environmental liabilities-These liabilities are subject to certain unknown future events. The Company reviews the environmental issues regularly with the geologists performing the feasibility studies and their legal counsel specializing in manufactured gas plant issues and negotiates with the environmental regulators and the other participating parties to determine the adequacy of the estimated liability for environmental reserves.
- Over-earnings liability-This liability is subject to regulatory review and possible disallowance of some expenses in determining the amount of over-earnings.
- Unbilled revenues-Unbilled revenue is estimated with certain assumptions including unaccounted for units and the use of current month sales to estimate unbilled sales.
- Allowances for doubtful accounts- This liability is estimated based on historical information
 and trended current economic conditions, certain assumptions, and is subject to unknown
 future events. Actual results could differ from our estimates.
- Uninsured liability claims-We are self-insured for the first \$250,000 of each general and auto liability claim and accrue for estimated losses occurring from both asserted and unasserted claims. The estimate for unasserted claims arising from unreported incidents is based on an analysis of historical claims data and judgment.
- Regulatory deferred income tax and deferred income tax liabilities-These liabilities are estimated based on historical data and are subject to finalization of our income tax return. Actual results could differ from our estimates.

Revenue Recognition

We bill utility customers on a monthly cycle basis; however, the billing cycle periods for most customers do not coincide with the accounting periods used for financial reporting. We accrue estimated revenue for gas and electric customers for consumption used but not yet billed for in an accounting period. Determination of unbilled revenue relies on the use of estimates and historical data. We believe that the estimates for unbilled revenue materially reflect the unbilled gross profit for our customers for units used but not yet billed in the current period.

The FPSC approves rates that are intended to permit a specified rate of return on investment and limits the maximum amount of earnings of regulated operations. Any earnings in excess of this maximum amount are accrued for as over-earnings liability and revenues are reduced for this same amount. The calculations supporting these liabilities are complex and involve a variety of projections and estimates before the ultimate settlement of such obligations. The FPSC determines the disposition of any over-earnings with alternatives that include refunding to customers, funding storm damage or environmental reserves or reducing any depreciation reserve deficiency.

Effects of Inflation

Our tariffs for natural gas and electric operations provide for fuel clauses that adjust annually for changes in the cost of fuel. Increases in other utility costs and expenses not offset by increases in revenues or reductions in other expenses could have an adverse effect on earnings due to the time lag associated with obtaining regulatory approval to recover such increased costs and expenses, the uncertainty of whether regulatory commissions will allow full recovery of such increased costs and expenses and any effect on unregulated propane gas operations.

Environmental Matters

We currently use or have used in the past, several contamination sites that are currently involved in pending or threatened environmental litigation as discussed in Note 11- "Contingencies" in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements. We intend to vigorously defend our rights in this litigation. We have insurance and rate relief to cover any expected losses or expenses. We believe that the aggregate of all future contamination assessment and remedial costs, legal fees and other related expenses would not exceed the insurance proceeds received and any rate relief granted. The final 2004 natural gas rate relief granted by the FPSC provided future recovery of \$8.9 million for environmental liabilities. The remaining

balance to be recovered from customers through future recovery is included on the balance sheet as "Other regulatory assets-environmental".

Forward-Looking Statements (Cautionary Statement)

This report contains forward-looking statements that are based on current expectations, estimates, forecasts and projections and management's beliefs and assumptions. Any statements that are not statements of historical fact should be considered forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements in this report include, but are not limited to those relating to the following expectations:

- Our consideration of equity or debt financing in 2009 or 2010.
- Cash requirements will increase significantly in the future due to environmental clean-up costs, sinking fund payments on long-term debt and pension contributions.
- Cash from operations, coupled with short-term borrowings on our line of credit, will be sufficient to satisfy our operating expenses, normal construction expenditure and dividend payments through 2009.
- Realization of actual additional revenues from the electric rate proceeding finalized in May 2008 will occur as expected.
- Finalization and approval of a natural gas base rate increase will occur in the second quarter of 2009 as expected.
- Impact of the overall economic conditions on our earnings, customer growth rates, unit sales and sales expense.
- Capital expenditures will be less than originally expected for 2009.
- Timing and progress of construction on the South Florida operations facility.
- Timing of closing on land purchase adjacent to our Central Florida operations facility.
- Increase in medical insurance costs in 2009.
- Increase in pension liability reserve and contributions to our defined benefit pension plan in 2009 and beyond.

- Potential violation of our covenants with our bank that provides our line of credit and with our fuel providers.
- Increase in bad debt expense on our customer accounts receivable.
- Impact of Energy Efficiency Legislation on our Company and our operating results.
- Renewal of the Marianna Franchise.
- Additional annual expenditures relating to storm preparedness.

Forward-looking statements involve certain risks and uncertainties. Actual results may differ materially from what is expressed in such forward-looking statements. Important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed by the forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, those set forth above in "Risk Factors".

Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

We have market risk exposure only from the potential loss in fair value resulting from changes in interest rates. We have no material exposure relating to commodity prices because under our regulatory jurisdictions, we are fully compensated for the actual costs of commodities (natural gas and electricity) used in our operations. Any commodity price increases for propane gas are normally passed through monthly to propane gas customers as the fuel charge portion of their rate.

None of our gas or electric contracts are accounted for using the fair value method of accounting. While some of our contracts meet the definition of a derivative, we have designated these contracts as "normal purchases" under SFAS No. 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities". As of December 31, 2008, we had not entered into any hedging activities, and we do not anticipate entering into hedging activities in 2009. Beginning in 2009, we will start pre-buying propane when certain price levels are reached.

We have no exposure to equity risk, as we do not hold any material equity instruments. Our exposure to interest rate risk is limited to investments held for environmental costs, the long-term notes receivable from the sale of our water division and short-term borrowings on the line of credit. The investments held for environmental costs are short-term fixed income debt securities whose carrying amounts are not materially different than fair value. The short-term borrowings were approximately \$12.7 million at the end of December 2008. We do not believe we have material market risk exposure related to these instruments. The indentures governing our two first mortgage bond series outstanding contain "makewhole" provisions (pre-payment penalties that charge for lost interest), which render refinancing impracticable until sometime after 2012.

Our non-interest bearing long-term receivable from the sale of the water operations was discounted at 4.34%. A hypothetical 0.5% (50 basis points) increase in the interest rate used would change the current fair value from \$5.86 million to \$5.83 million.

In 2008, a hypothetical 0.5% (50 basis points) decrease in the long-term interest rate on \$50.9 million debt excluding unamortized debt discount would change the fair value from \$56.6 million to \$59.6 million.

Changes in short-term interest rates could have an effect on income depending on the balance borrowed on the variable rate line of credit. We had short-term debt of \$12.7 million on December 31, 2008 and \$11.1 million on December 31, 2007. A hypothetical 1% increase in interest rates would have resulted in a decrease in annual earnings for 2008 by \$127,000 and for 2007 by \$110,000, based on year-end borrowings.

Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)

		Years Ende	Years Ended December 31			
Revenues	_	2008	2007	2006		
Natural gas	\$	72,624 \$	64,850 \$	71,139		
Electric		78,655	55,521	48,527		
Propane gas		17,269	16,171	15,115		
Total revenues		168,548	136,542	134,781		

Cost of Fuel and Other Pass Through Costs	117,321	87,821	85,971
Gross Profit	 51,227	48,721	48,810
Operating Expenses			
Operation	26,115	25,178	24,422
Maintenance	3,737	3,402	3,484
Depreciation and amortization	8,912	8,286	7,742
Taxes other than income taxes	 3,354	3,034	2,985
Total operating expenses	 42,118	39,900	38,633
Operating Income	9,109	8,821	10,177
Other Income and (Expense)			
Merchandise and service revenue	2,595	3,177	4,322
Merchandise and service expenses	(2,329)	(2,801)	(4,071)
Other income	1,045	690	620
Other expense	(315)	(19)	(33)
Interest expense on long-term debt	(3,855)	(3,948)	(3,949)
Interest expense on short-term borrowings	(296)	(187)	(108)
Interest expense on customer deposits and other	 (665)	(735)	(551)
Total other expense – net	(3,820)	(3,823)	(3,770)
Earnings Before Income Taxes	 5,289	4,998	6,407
Income Taxes	 (1,803)	(1,697)	(2,238)
Net Income	 3,486	3,301	4,169
Preferred Stock Dividends	 		29
Earnings for Common Stock	\$ 3,457 \$	3,272 \$	4,140
Earnings Per Common Share (basic and diluted)	\$ \$.54 \$.69
Dividends Declared Per Common Share	\$.47 \$.45 \$.43
Average Shares Outstanding	 6,087,441	6,039,767	5,993,589

See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

Statement of Comprehensive Income Years Ending December 31,

(Dollars in thousands)

	2008	2007	2006
Net income	\$3,486	\$3,301	\$4,169
Other comprehensive (loss) income:			
Pension and postretirement plans	(2,628)	306	(165)
Income taxes on pension and post retirement	989	(115)	62
Other comprehensive (loss) income	(1,639)	191	(103)
Comprehensive income	\$1,847	\$3,492	\$4,066

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (Dollars in thousands)

		December 31,		
ASSETS	-	2008		2007
Utility Plant	-			
Natural gas	\$	109,507	\$	104,770
Electric		79,667		76,520
Propane gas		17,267		17,141
Common		4,187		3,953
Total	-	210,628		202,384
Less accumulated depreciation		68,303		64,012
Net utility plant		142,325	_	138,372
Current Assets				
Cash		2,997		3,478
Accounts receivable		13,973		12,269
Income taxes receivable		2,211		i=
Notes receivable		252		298
Allowance for uncollectible accounts		(455)		(326)
Unbilled receivables		2,041		1,879
Inventories (at average or unit cost)		3,961		4,251
Prepaid expenses		1,037		861
Under-recovery of fuel costs		756		9
Special deposit - fuel contract		130		188
Deferred charges - current		155		211
Regulatory asset- environmental - current		456		456
Deferred income taxes - current		513		949
Total current assets		28,027	_	24,514
Other Assets				
Regulatory asset - environmental		6,636		7,197
Regulatory asset – retirement plan		9,945		15
Long-term receivables and other investments		5,619		5,622
Investments held for environmental costs		3,507		3,444
Special deposit - fuel contract		1-		130
Deferred charges		6,409		6,230
Goodwill		2,405		2,405
Intangible assets (net)		4,058	_	4,430
Total other assets		38,579	_	29,458
Total	\$	208,931	\$	192,344

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (continued) (Dollars in thousands)

	 Decem	ber	31,
CAPITALIZATION AND LIABILITIES	2008		2007
Capitalization			
Common shareholders' equity	\$ 48,512	\$	48,946
Preferred stock	600		600
Long-term debt	 47,920		49,363
Total capitalization	 97,032		98,909
Current Liabilities			
Line of credit	12,747		11,122
Accounts payable	11,481		9,901
Long term debt - current	1,409		1,409
Insurance accrued	265		218
Interest accrued	1,081		1,163
Other accruals and payables	3,241		2,729
Environmental liability - current	774		1,379
Taxes accrued	1,902		2,168
Over-earnings liability	-		26
Over-recovery of fuel costs	1,608		2,761
Over-recovery of conservation	357		446
Customer deposits	 11,099		10,547
Total current liabilities	 45,964		43,869
Other Liabilities			
Deferred income taxes	17,820		16,630
Unamortized investment tax credits	203		266
Environmental liability	12,655		12,250
Regulatory liability - cost of removal	10,304		9,359
Regulatory liability - taxes	707		796
Regulatory liability – retirement plan			564
Long-term medical and pension reserve	19,352		4,817
Customer advances for construction	2,476		2,497
Regulatory liability - storm reserve	 2,418		2,387
Total other liabilities	65,935		49,566
Total	\$ 208,931	\$	192,344

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CAPITALIZATION

(Dollars in thousands except per share amounts)

	December 31,			31,
	_	2008		2007
Common Shareholders' Equity			_	
Common stock, \$1.50 par value, authorized 10,000,000 shares; issued 6,199,070 shares in 2008; issued 6,182,983 shares in	ø.	0.000	ø.	0.055
2007	\$	9,299	\$	9,275
Paid-in capital		6,065		6,076
Retained earnings		36,424		35,797
Accumulated other comprehensive income/(loss), retirement plan adjustment, net of income tax of \$936 in 2008 and \$53 in 2007		(1,551)		88
Treasury stock - at cost (97,350 shares in 2008, 129,223 shares in 2007)		(1,725)		(2,290)
Total common shareholders' equity		48,512		48,946
Preferred Stock			-	
4 %% Series A, \$100 par value, redemption price \$106,				
authorized and outstanding 6,000 shares		600		600
4 %% Series B Cumulative Preferred, \$100 par value, redemption price \$101, authorized 5,000 and none issued				-
\$1.12 Convertible Preference, \$20 par value, redemption price \$22, authorized 32,500 and none issued				·
Total preferred stock		600	_	600
Long-Term Debt			_	
First mortgage bonds series				
9.57 % due 2018		8,182		9,091
10.03 % due 2018		4,500		5,000
9.08 % due 2022		8,000		8,000
4.90 % due 2031		13,900		14,000
6.85 % due 2031		14,975		14,990
Unamortized debt discount		(1,637)	_	(1,718)
Total long-term debt	-	47,920	_	49,363
Total Capitalization	\$	97,032	\$ =	98,909

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMMON SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY (Dollars in thousands)

Commo	n Stock						
Shares Issued	Aggregate Par Value	Paid-in Capital	Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income/(Loss)	Treasury Shares	Treasury Shares Cost	Common Shareholders' Equity
6,152,676	\$9,229	\$5,998	\$33,625	\$ -	188,994	\$(3,349)	\$45,503
	-	_	4,169	-			4,169
-	=	*	*	(103)	•	-	(103)
		-	(2,581)	-	-	=:	(2,581)
13,972	21	56	_		(28,645)	507	584
6,166,648	9,250	6,054	35,213	(103)	160,349	(2,842)	47,572
-	•	-	3,301	-	-		3,301
_	_	_		191	_	_	191
_	_	_	(9.717)	151			(2,717)
16 225	25	99	(2,111)	_	(21 126)	559	599
10,555					(31,120)	002	
6,182,983	9,275	6,076	35,797	88	129,223	(2,290)	48,946
-	-	-	3,486	-		-	3,486
	2000		400	(1.620)	220		(1,639)
-			(2.859)	(1,039)		-	(2,859)
16.087	91	(11)	(2,000)	·	(31 873)	5.65	578
10,001		(11)			(01,013)	363	310
6,199,070	\$9,299	\$6,065	\$36,424	\$(1,551)	97,350	\$(1,725)	\$48,512
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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(Dollars in thousands)

		Years Ended December 31,				
		2008		2007		2006
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:						
Net income	\$	3,486	\$	3,301	\$	4,169
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash from operating activities:						
Depreciation and amortization		8,912		8,286		7,742
Deferred income taxes		2,526		(1,198)		(2,003)
Bad debt expense		831		448		623
Investment tax credits		(63)		(69)		(75)
Other		708		886		805
Interest income from sale of non-utility property		(244)		(253)		(252)
Compensation expense from the issuance of stock		57		47		88
Effects of changes in:						
Receivables		(2,836)		(620)		3,115
Unbilled receivables		(162)		78		(39)
Inventories and prepayments		(1,667)		68		711
Accounts payable and accruals		3,105		4,826		(976)
Over (under) recovery of fuel and other pass through costs		(1,998)		58		6,500
Area expansion program deferred costs		104		(313)		238
Regulatory asset and environmental liability		560		175		584
Other		(699)		(1,194)	-	(1,140)
Net cash provided by operating activities		12,620		14,526		20,090
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:						
Construction expenditures		(11,227)		(16,740)		(13, 116)
Customer advances received for construction		(21)		(210)		361
Purchase of long-term investments		(62)		(80)		(106)
Proceeds received on notes receivable		283		371		321
Other		10		<u></u>		(15)
Net cash used in investing activities		(11,017)		(16,659)	-	(12,555)
Cash Flows from Financing Activities:			•			
Net change in short-term borrowings		1,625		7,656		(6,092)
Net change in long-term borrowings		(1,442)				-
Proceeds from common stock plans		521		552		497
Dividends paid		(2,788)		(2,681)		(2,551)
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities		(2,084)		5,527		(8,146)
Net (Decrease) Increase in Cash		(481)	-	3,394	_	(611)
Cash at Beginning of Year		3,478		84		695
Cash at End of Year	\$	2,997	\$	3,478	s -	84
Supplemental Cash Flow Information	Ψ.				, =	
Cash was paid during the years as follows:						
Interest	\$	4,777	\$	4,375	\$	4,777
Income taxes	\$	2,359	\$	1,984	\$	3,298
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NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Summary of Significant Accounting and Reporting Policies

A. General

Florida Public Utilities Company (FPUC or the Company) is an operating public utility engaged principally in the purchase, transmission, distribution and sale of electricity and in the purchase, transmission, distribution, sale and transportation of natural gas. The Company is subject to the jurisdiction of the Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC) with respect to its natural gas and electric operations. The suppliers of electric power to the Northwest Florida division and of natural gas to the natural gas divisions are subject to the jurisdiction of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). The Northeast Florida division is supplied most of its electric power by a municipality which is exempt from FERC and FPSC regulation. The Company also distributes propane gas through a non-regulated subsidiary.

B. Basis of Presentation

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Florida Public Utilities Company and its wholly owned subsidiary, Flo-Gas Corporation. All significant intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated. The Company's accounting policies and practices conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to regulated public utilities and are in accordance with the accounting requirements and rate-making practices of the FPSC and in accordance to the rule requirements of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC).

C. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires the Company to make certain estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosure of any contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Some of these estimates include the accruals for pensions, allowance for doubtful accounts, environmental liabilities, liability reserves, unbilled revenue, regulatory deferred tax liabilities and over-earnings liability. Actual results may differ from these estimates and assumptions.

D. Reclassifications

Certain amounts in the prior years' financial statements have been reclassified to conform to the 2008 presentation.

E. Regulation

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 71 - "Accounting for the Effects of Certain Types of Regulation". SFAS No. 71 recognizes that accounting for rate-regulated enterprises should reflect the relationship of costs and revenues introduced by rate regulation. A regulated utility may defer recognition of a cost (a regulatory asset) or show recognition of an obligation (a regulatory liability) if it is probable that, through the ratemaking process, there will be a corresponding increase or decrease in revenues. The Company has recognized certain regulatory assets and liabilities in the consolidated balance sheets. The Company believes that the FPSC will continue to allow recovery of such items through rates. As these regulatory assets and liabilities are recovered through rates or paid through a reduction of rates, the assets and liabilities are amortized to revenue and expense. In the event that a portion of the Company's operations are no longer subject to the provisions of SFAS No. 71, the Company would be required to write-off related regulatory assets and liabilities that are not specifically recoverable through regulated rates. In addition, the Company would be required to determine if an impairment related to other assets exists, including plant, and write-down the assets, if impaired, to their fair value. The Company would be required to expense the regulatory assets and record revenue or reduce expenses for the regulatory liabilities, with the exception of the deferred retirement plan which would be recorded to Other Comprehensive income (loss) and cost of removal, if they no longer were subject to the provisions of SFAS No. 71, or the FPSC disallowed the deferral of these regulatory assets and liabilities. Upon disallowance, it is possible some liabilities would have to be refunded to customers.

Summary of Regulatory Assets and Liabilities

(Dollars in thousands)

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	2008	2007
Assets		
Deferred development costs (1)	\$ 4,161	\$ 4,265
Unamortized fuel related regulatory costs (5)	24	36
Environmental assets (2)	7,092	7,653
Deferred retirement plan costs (4)	9,945	
Unamortized Rate Case expense (7)	861	535
Under-recovery of fuel costs (6)	756	:-
Unamortized piping and conversion costs (1)	1,273	1,379
Unamortized loss on reacquired debt (1)	172	190
Total Regulatory Assets	\$24,284	\$14,058
Liabilities		
Tax liabilities (8)	\$ 707	\$ 796
Cost of removal (9)	10,304	9,359
Deferred retirement plan costs (4)	-	564
Storm reserve liabilities(3)	2,418	2,387
Over-recovery of fuel costs (6)	1,608	2,761
Over-recovery of conservation (6)	357	446
Over-earnings liability (3)		26
Total Regulatory Liabilities	\$15,394	\$16,339

- (1)Deferred development costs, unamortized piping and conversion costs, and unamortized loss on reacquired debt are included in deferred charges in the consolidated balance sheets.
- (2) The Company has included the amount due from customers as a regulatory asset for environmental costs. The FPSC authorized recovery of these environmental costs from customers over 20 years.
- (3)The Commission ordered disposition in 2008 of our 2006 natural gas over-earnings to additionally fund our storm reserve for our natural gas operations. Our natural gas storm reserve is approximately \$790,000 as of December 31, 2008. Our electric storm reserve is approximately \$1,629,000 as of December 31, 2008.
- (4) The actuarial valuation of the retirement plan obligations has been completed and the recognition provisions of Statement 158 resulted in a regulatory liability for \$564,000 at December 31, 2007 and a regulatory asset for \$9.9 million at December 31, 2008.
- (5) The Company has deferred certain regulatory fuel-related costs and as of January 2006 has been amortizing these over five years according to a FPSC order in the November 2005 fuel hearings.
- (6) The Company has certain costs that are passed directly through to customers for recovery including fuel and conservation costs. There are amounts related to these expenses that are either over or under-recovered in a calendar year. These over-recoveries will be returned to customers and under-recoveries will be collected from customers in the following year, but both are deferred in the current period.
- (7)The Company has costs associated with preparing and filing rate proceedings before the FPSC. These costs are amortized over a four year period. This represents the unamortized portion of these costs. The Company has incurred rate case costs associated with the recent electric filing finalized in 2008 and the natural gas filing expected to be finalized in 2009. Amortization will not begin on the natural gas proceeding until mid 2009.
- (8) The Company has deferred tax liabilities associated with property. The Company uses a FPSC-approved method to amortize these liabilities.
- (9) The Company has a liability for the estimated future costs to remove or retire existing fixed assets.

The base revenue rates for regulated segments are determined by the FPSC and remain constant until a request for an increase is filed and approved by the FPSC or the FPSC orders the Company

to reduce their rates. For the Company to recover increased costs from the effects of inflation and construction expenditures for regulated segments, a request for an increase in base revenues would be required. Separate filings would be required for the electric and natural gas segments. The Company is currently seeking rate relief in their natural gas segment. Approval of interim rate relief of \$1.0 million was granted effective for meter readings on or after March 12, 2009 and final approval, if any, is expected in the second quarter of 2009.

At December 31, 2008, all of our regulatory assets and all of our regulatory liabilities are reflected or are expected to be reflected in rates charged to customers.

Criteria that give rise to the discontinuance of SFAS No. 71 include increasing competition that restricts our ability to establish prices to recover specific costs, and a significant change in the manner in which rates are set by regulators from cost-based regulation to another form of regulation. We periodically review these criteria to ensure that the continuing application of SFAS No. 71 is appropriate. Based on a current evaluation of the various factors and conditions that are expected to impact future cost recovery, we believe that our regulatory assets are probable of recovery.

F. Derivatives

None of the Company's gas or electric contracts are accounted for using the fair value method of accounting. All material contracts that meet the definition of derivative instruments are considered "normal purchase" under SFAS No. 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities".

G. Revenue Recognition

The Company's revenues consist of base revenues, fuel adjustment charges, conservation charges and the pass-through of certain governmental imposed taxes based on revenues.

The FPSC approves base revenue rates that are intended to permit a specified rate of return on investment and limits the maximum amount of earnings of regulated operations. Fuel adjustment charges, conservation charges and the pass-through of certain governmental imposed taxes based on revenues are approved by the FPSC to allow recovery of fuel, conservation and revenue based taxes from the Company's customers. Any over or under-recovery of these expense items are deferred and subsequently refunded or collected in the following period.

Annually, any earnings in excess of this maximum amount permitted in the base rates are accrued for as an over-earning liability and revenues are reduced an equivalent amount. The calculations supporting these liabilities are complex and involve a variety of projections and estimates before the ultimate settlement of such obligations. The FPSC determines the disposition of any over-earnings with alternatives that include refunding to customers, funding storm damage or environmental reserves, or reducing any depreciation reserve deficiency.

The Company bills utility customers on a monthly cycle basis; however, the billing cycle periods for most customers do not coincide with the accounting periods used for financial reporting. The Company accrues estimated revenue for gas and electric customers on usage not yet billed for the accounting period. Determination of unbilled revenue relies on the use of estimates, fuel purchases and historical data.

Electric interim rate relief for partial recovery of the increased expenditures was approved by the FPSC on October 23, 2007. Interim rates were effective November 2007. A final annual electric rate increase of approximately \$3.9 million a year was approved in April 2008, with the new rates which began on May 22, 2008. These revenues provided an increase to our overall profitability for the electric segment and recovery of increased expenditures including depreciation, storm readiness mandates and initiatives and other expenses incurred throughout 2008.

We filed a request with the FPSC in the fourth quarter of 2008 for a base rate increase in our natural gas segment. This request included recovery of increased expenses and some capital expenditures since our last rate proceeding in 2004. Finalization of this request and approval, if any, of a natural gas base rate increase would not occur until mid 2009. Interim rates which will produce additional annual revenues of approximately \$1 million went into effect for meter readings on and after March 12, 2009. These interim revenues are collected subject to refund pending the outcome of our final rate increase.

H. Taxes Collected from Customers and Remitted to Governmental Authorities

The Company remits to governmental authorities various taxes collected from customers throughout the year including gross receipts and franchise taxes. These taxes are pass through revenues and expenses and do not impact the Company's results of operations. The amount of gross receipts and franchise taxes for the year ending December 31, 2008 and 2007 was \$8.7 million and \$7.1 million, respectively.

I. Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

The Company records an allowance for doubtful accounts. This liability is estimated based on historical information and trended current economic conditions, certain assumptions, and is subject to unknown future events. Actual results could differ from our estimates.

Our accounts receivable are considered delinquent after 21 days. The customer receives a delinquent notice reminder to pay within 5 days. If payment is not received by the date specified on the delinquent notice, we send a collector out to either collect the past due amount or disconnect the account for nonpayment. We provide for a bad debt provision for all accounts over 90 days unless special circumstances exist. We also provide for a bad debt provision based on historical data for those accounts less than 90 days. All accounts are generally written off after 90 days and sent to an outside, third party collection agency.

The following is a summary of the activity in Allowance for Doubtful Accounts for the years ending December 31:

	Allowance for Doubtful Accounts (Dollars in thousands)						
Balance at Beginning of Year Write-offs Provisions to Bad Balance at End of Year							
2006	\$ 272	466	623	\$ 429			
2007	\$ 429	551	448	\$ 326			
2008	\$ 326	702	831	\$ 455			

A large industrial customer in our Northeast electric division filed for bankruptcy on January 26, 2009. This customer has currently paid for all outstanding receivable amounts as of December 31, 2008 and accordingly, there has been no provision for bad debt allowances as of December 31, 2008 for this customer.

J. Utility Plant and Depreciation

Utility plant is stated at original cost. The propane gas utility plant that was acquired was stated at fair market value at the time of the acquisition. Additions to utility plant include contracted services, direct labor, transportation and materials for additions. Units of property are removed from utility plant when retired. Maintenance and repairs of property and replacement and renewal of items determined not to be units of property are charged to operating expenses. Substantially all of the utility plant and the shares of Flo-Gas Corporation collateralize the Company's first mortgage bonds.

Utility Plant (Dollars in thousands)

	Annual Composite	2002	272 4 241
Plant Classification	Depreciation Rate	2008	2007
Land		\$ 4,545	\$ 4,537
Buildings	2.0% to 4.9%	7,647	7,085
Distribution	1.8% to 7.5%	174,810	167,327
Transmission	1.8% to 3.8%	6,970	6,957
Equipment	2.2% to 20.0%	14,190	13,307
Furniture and Fixtures	4.8% to 20.0%	444	417
Work-in-Progress	_	2,022	2,754
		\$ 210,628	\$ 202,384

Depreciation for the Company's regulated segments is computed using the composite straight-line method at rates prescribed by the FPSC for financial accounting purposes. Propane gas depreciation is computed using a composite straight-line method at an average rate based on estimated average life of approximately 20-30 years. Such rates are based on estimated service lives of the various classes of property. Depreciation provisions on average depreciable property approximate 3.9% in 2008, 3.8% in 2007 and 3.9% in 2006. Depreciation expense was \$7.3 million, \$6.7 million and \$6.2 million for 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

K. Earnings Per Share

The Company includes earnings per common share (basic and diluted) on the consolidated statements of income. The Company does not have any outstanding stock based awards that would be dilutive or anti-dilutive.

L. Impact of Recent Accounting Standards Financial Accounting Standard No. 157 In September 2006, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standard (SFAS) No. 157, "Fair Value Measurements". This statement clarifies fair value as the market value received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability, that is, the exit value, and applies to any assets or liabilities that require recurring determination of fair value. The measurement includes any applicable risk factors and does not include any adjustment for volume. On February 12, 2008, the FASB issued proposed FASB Staff Position No. 157-2, "Effective Date of FASB Statement No. 157" which deferred the effective date for all nonfinancial assets and nonfinancial liabilities, except those that are recognized or disclosed at fair value in the financial statements on a recurring basis (that is, at least annually) to fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2008. The Company has adopted SFAS No. 157 effective January 1, 2008 for financial assets and liabilities and effective January 1, 2009 for nonfinancial assets and nonfinancial liabilities. This statement did not have a material impact on our financial condition or results of operation.

Financial Accounting Standard No. 159

In February 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 159, "The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities". This statement permits measurement at fair value of certain firm commitments, nonfinancial insurance contracts and warranties, host financial instruments and recognized financial assets and liabilities, excluding consolidating investments in subsidiaries, consolidating variable interest entities, various forms of deferred compensation agreements, leases, depository institution deposit liabilities and financial instruments included in shareholders' equity. This statement is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007. We did not elect to report any additional assets or liabilities at fair value and accordingly, the adoption of SFAS 159 did not have a material effect on our on our financial position or results of operations.

Financial Accounting Standard No. 160

In December 2007, the FASB issued Statement No. 160, "Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Financial Statements – an amendment of ARB No. 51". This standard requires noncontrolling ownership interests be disclosed separately in equity, separate disclosure of income contributable to each party, changes in controlling interests be reported consistently, and deconsolidation be measured at fair value. As the Company does not currently have any noncontrolling interests, this standard will not have an impact on our financial condition or results of operations.

Financial Accounting Standard No. 141R

In December 2007, the FASB issued a revision to Statement No. 141, "Business Combinations". This statement is effective prospectively for business combinations occurring on or after January 1, 2009 for our Company. This revision broadens the scope of a business combination to include transactions in which no consideration has been exchanged, sets the acquisition date as the date control is obtained, replaces the cost allocation method with fair value method to assign values to assets and liabilities assumed, requires restructuring costs to be recorded separate from the business combination. As this revision is adopted prospectively and all qualifying future business combinations would be evaluated under the new provisions, the effects on our results of operations will depend on the nature and size of any future acquisitions.

Financial Accounting Standard No. 161

In March 2008, the FASB issued Statement No. 161, "Disclosures about Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities – an amendment of FASB Statement No. 133". This standard requires enhanced disclosures about an entity's derivative and hedging activities and thereby improves the transparency of financial reporting. This statement is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years and interim periods beginning after November 15, 2008. The Company expects to adopt SFAS No. 161 effective January 1, 2009. The Company does not anticipate the adoption of this standard will have a material effect on our disclosures.

FASB Staff Position, FAS No. 142-3

In April 2008, the FASB issued FASB Staff Position, or "FSP", FAS 142-3, "Determination of the Useful Life of Intangible Assets," effective for financial statements issued for fiscal year beginning after December 15, 2008, and interim periods within those fiscal years. This FSP amends the factors that should be considered in developing renewal or extension assumptions used to determine the useful life of a recognized intangible asset under SFAS No. 142 "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets," thereby resulting in improved consistency between the useful life applied under SFAS No.

142, and the period of expected cash flows used to measure the fair value of the asset under SFAS No. 141R, "Business Combinations." We will adopt FSP FAS 142-3 effective January 1, 2009. We do not expect that the adoption of FSP, FAS No. 142-3 will have a material effect on our results of operations or financial position.

Financial Accounting Standard No. 162

In May 2008, the FASB issued Statement No. 162, "The Hierarchy of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles". This standard offers guidance on the principles used to prepare financial statements in accordance with GAAP. FASB Statements of Financial Accounting Concepts now supersede industry practice. The Company does not anticipate the adoption of this standard will have a material effect on our financial position or results of operation.

M. Advertising Expense

The Company follows the accounting policy of expensing advertising costs as they are incurred. The amounts recognized for advertising expenses were \$249,000 and \$308,000 in 2008 and 2007, respectively.

2. Goodwill and Intangible Assets

In accordance with SFAS No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets", the Company does not amortize goodwill or intangibles with indefinite lives. The Company at least annually, or periodically, if events or circumstances may indicate possible impairment tests the goodwill and indefinite lived intangibles for impairment by reporting segment. In the event impairment exists, the Company would write-down the associated goodwill and intangible assets with indefinite lives to fair value. The impairment tests performed in 2007 and 2008 resulted in no impairment charges.

Goodwill associated with the Company's acquisitions is identified as a separate line item on the consolidated balance sheet and consists of \$1.9 million in the propane gas segment and \$550,000 in the natural gas segment.

Intangible assets associated with the Company's acquisitions and software have been identified as a separate line item on the balance sheet. Summaries of those intangible assets at December 31 are as follows:

	Intangible Assets (Dollars in thousands)		
		2008	2007
Customer distribution rights	(Indefinite life)	\$ 2,800	\$ 2,800
Software	(Five to nine year life)	3,542	3,499
Accumulated amortization		(2,284)	(1,869)
Total intangible assets, r	net of amortization	\$4,058	\$ 4,430

The 2008 amortization expense of computer software was approximately \$424,000. The Company expects the amortization expense of computer software to be approximately \$400,000 annually over the next five years, with the current level of software investment.

3. Notes Receivables

As of December 31, 2008 there was approximately \$5.9 million in receivables from the 2003 sale of our water assets with the interest of 4.34%. We received an installment of \$252,000 in February of 2009. Final payment of principal and interest totaling \$5.8 million is expected in February 2010.

4. Over-earnings - Natural Gas

The FPSC approves rates that are intended to permit a specified rate of return on investment and limits the maximum amount of earnings of regulated operations. The Company has agreed with the FPSC staff to limit the earned return on equity for regulated natural gas and electric operations. The table below summarizes our overearnings activities for the years ending 2008, 2007 and 2006.

Natural Gas Over-Earnings Summary

(Dollars in thousands)

	Years Ended December 31			
	2008	2007	2006	
Revenues:				
Revenues excluding over-earnings	\$72,759	\$64,820	\$71,160	
2005 Over-earnings	-	(16)	-	
2006 Over-earnings	(135)	46	(21)	
Natural Gas Revenue	\$72,624	\$ 64,850	\$71,139	
Other Income and (Expense):				
Interest expense excluding interest on over-earnings	\$649	\$658	\$551	
2005 Over-earnings interest		76		
2006 Over-earnings interest	16	1	-	
Interest expense on customer deposits and other	\$ 665	\$ 735	\$ 551	
	As of Decem	ber 31.		
	2008	2007		
Capitalization and Liabilities:				
Beginning Over-earnings liability	\$26	\$722		
Adjustment for 2005 Over-earnings	•	92		
Transfer of 2005 Over-earnings to storm reserve	-	(610)		
Applied 2005 Over-earnings to regulatory asset -				
storm reserve		(133)		
Adjustment for 2006 Over-earnings	151	(45)		
Transfer of 2006 Over-earnings to storm reserve	(177)	-		
Ending Over-earnings liability	\$ -	\$ 26		

In 2008, there are no estimated natural gas and electric over-earnings.

On September 29, 2008 the FPSC finalized the 2006 over-earnings for the natural gas segment. Total over-earnings was determined to be \$160,000, plus interest of \$ 17,000. The FPSC ordered the disposition of 2006 over-earnings to provide additional funds for the natural gas storm reserve.

On August 14, 2007 the FPSC finalized the disposition of 2005 over-earnings for the natural gas segment. Total over-earnings was determined to be \$666,000, plus interest of \$76,000. The FPSC ordered disposition of 2005 over-earnings to eliminate the related regulatory asset-storm reserve in natural gas operations and the storm surcharge collected from customers. The remaining over-earnings was used to fund a storm reserve for any future storm costs.

5. Storm Reserves

As of December 31, 2008, the Company had a storm reserve of approximately \$1.6 million for the electric segment and approximately \$790,000 for the natural gas segment. The Company does not have a storm reserve for the propane gas segment.

The FPSC ordered disposition of 2005 over-earnings to eliminate the related regulatory asset – storm reserve in natural gas operations and the storm surcharge collected from customers. The remaining 2005 over-earnings and the 2006 over-earnings were used to fund a storm reserve for any future storm costs.

6. Income Taxes

A. Provision for Income Taxes

The provision (benefit) for income taxes consists of the following:

(Dollars in thousands)	Years ended December 31,				31,
		2008	2007		2006
Current payable:					
Federal	\$	(558)\$	2,518	\$	3,652
State		(102)	446		664
Current		(660)	2,964		4,316
Deferred:					
Federal		2,152	(1,028)		(1,723)
State		374	(170)		(280)
Deferred - net	9	2,526	(1,198)	_	(2,003)
Investment tax credit		(63)	(69)		(75)
Total income taxes	\$	1,803 \$	1,697	\$ _	2,238

B. Effective Tax Rate Reconciliation

The difference between the effective income tax rate and the statutory federal income tax rate applied to pretax income is as follows:

	Ef	fective R	ate R	econcilia	tion	
(Dollars in thousands)	Years ended December 31,					
		2008		2007		2006
Federal income tax at statutory rate (34%)	\$	1,798	\$	1,699	\$	2,178
State income tax, net of federal benefit		194		181		233
Investment tax credit		(63)		(69)		(75)
Tax exempt interest		(83)		(85)		(85)
Other	_	(43)		(29)		(13)
Total provision for income taxes	\$	1,803	\$	1,697	\$	2,238

C. Deferred Income Taxes

Tax effect of temporary differences which give rise to deferred taxes assets and deferred tax liabilities are as follows:

(Dollars in thousands)	Years ended	Decer	nber 31,
Deferred tax assets:	 2008		2007
Environmental liability	\$ 2,384	\$	2,249
Self insurance liability	792		763
Vacation payable	542		384
Allowance for doubtful accounts	171		123
General liability	100		82
Storm reserve liability	910		898
Amortizable customer based intangible	733		670
Pension liability	847		1,086
Under/over Recoveries - conservation costs	134		167
Other assets	 117		_ 57
Total deferred tax assets	\$ 6,730	\$	6,479
Deferred tax liabilities:			
Utility plant related and intangibles	\$ 22,790	\$	21,458
Underrecovery of fuel costs	843		406
Rate case expense	324		201
Other liabilities	 80		95
Total deferred tax liabilities	\$ 24,037	\$	22,160
Net deferred income taxes	\$ 17,307	\$	15,681

Deferred tax liabilities included in the consolidated balance sheets are as follows:

(Dollars in thousands)		Years ended December 31,		
v.	_	2008		2007
Deferred income tax - long term liabilities	\$	17,820	\$	16,630
Less: Deferred income tax - current assets	_	513		949
Net deferred income tax liabilities	\$	17,307	\$	15,681

Deferred income taxes are provided on all significant temporary differences between the financial statements and tax basis of assets and liabilities at currently enacted tax rates. Investment tax credits have been deferred and are amortized based upon the average useful life of the related property in accordance with the rate treatment.

D. Financial Accounting Standard Board Interpretation No. 48

On January 1, 2007 the Company adopted FIN 48. The interpretation prescribes a more likely-than-not recognition threshold and establishes new measurement requirements for financial statements reporting of an entity's income tax positions. We have performed an analysis of tax positions taken and expected to be taken on the tax returns and assessed the technical merits of each tax position (by relying on legislation and statutes, common legislative intent, regulations, rulings, and case law). We have determined that we have no material uncertain tax positions.

E. IRS Audits and Income Taxes Receivable

In February 2008, the IRS completed its examination of our 2003 and 2004 federal income tax returns. We reclassified the tax liability recognized in 2007 related to this audit as a current tax payable. We paid this tax liability and the interest of approximately \$195,000 and \$48,000 respectively in July 2008. This adjustment does not affect our annual effective income tax rate, and did not result in a material change in our financial position.

The Company amended its 2004 Florida corporate income tax returns to reflect the 2004 IRS audit adjustments.

During 2008, the IRS also examined our 2005 and 2006 tax years. Based on the completion of the IRS examination, at December 31, 2008 we had an income tax receivable of \$346,000 and interest income of approximately \$45,000 for the 2005 and 2006 tax years. The federal portion of this refund was received in 2009.

Due to the significant increase in our pension liability and in our pension contributions, our income tax for 2008 will be lower than originally estimated. We paid tax estimates in the first half of 2008 with the expectation of paying pension payments that were consistent with prior years. The additional tax deduction that will result from the increased pension expense will result in an overpayment of taxes for 2008. We have filed for a quick refund of that estimate overpayment of approximately \$1.9 million which is included in income taxes receivable on the consolidated balance sheets at December 2008. We expect to receive this tax refund in the first half of 2009.

7. Capitalization

A. Common Shares Reserved

The Company has 3,800,930 authorized but unissued shares and 97,350 treasury shares as of December 31, 2008. The Company has reserved the following common shares for issuance as of December 31, 2008:

Dividend Reinvestment Plan	21,649
Employee Stock Purchase Plan	121,351
Board Compensation Plan	13,399

B. Preferred Stock

The Company has 6,000 shares of 4 %% Series A preferred stock \$100 par value authorized for issuance of which 6,000 were issued and outstanding at December 31, 2008. The preferred stock is included in stockholders' equity on the balance sheet.

The Company also has 5,000 shares, 4 %% Series B preferred stock \$100 par value authorized for issuance none of which has been issued.

The Company also has 32,500 shares, \$1.12 Convertible Preference stock, \$20 par value and \$22 redemption price, authorized for issuance none of which has been issued.

C. Dividend Restriction

The Company's Fifteenth Supplemental Indenture of Mortgage and Deed of Trust restricts the amount that is available for cash dividends. At December 31, 2008, approximately \$10.2 million of retained earnings were free of such restriction and therefore available for the payment of dividends. The line of credit agreement contains covenants that, if violated, could restrict or prevent the payment of dividends. As of December 31, 2008 the Company was not in violation of these covenants. See Note 14 in Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

D. Employee Stock Purchase Plan

The Company's Employee Stock Purchase Plan offers common stock at a discount to qualified employees.

E. Dividend Reinvestment Plan

The Company's Dividend Reinvestment Plan is offered to all Company shareholders and allows the shareholder to reinvest dividends received and purchase additional shares without a fee.

8. Long-term Debt

The Company issued its Fourteenth Series of First Mortgage Bond on September 27, 2001 in the aggregate principal amount of \$15 million as security for the 6.85% Secured Insured Quarterly Notes, due October 1, 2031. Interest on the pledged bond accrues at the annual rate of 6.85% payable quarterly in arrears on January 1, April 1, July 1 and October 1 of each year beginning January 1, 2002.

The Company issued \$14 million of Palm Beach County municipal bonds (Industrial Development Revenue Bonds) on November 14, 2001 to finance development in the area. The interest rate on the thirty-year callable bonds is 4.90%. The Company's long-term mortgage bonds are callable only if they are in default or the Company is in violation or the Company wishes to pre-pay the bonds. Although the Company has the option to pre-pay the bonds, the company currently does not plan to do so within the next 12 months.

The bond proceeds were restricted and held in trust until construction expenditures were actually incurred by the Company. In 2002 the remaining \$8 million was drawn from the restricted funds held by the trustee.

In 1992, the Company issued its First Mortgage Bond 9.08% Series in the amount of \$8 million. The thirty-year bond is due in June 2022.

The Company issued two of its Twelfth Series First Mortgage bond series on May 1, 1988; the 9.57% Series due 2018 in the amount of \$10 million and 10.03% Series due 2018 in the amount of \$5.5 million. These two issuances require annual sinking fund payments of \$909,000 and \$500,000 respectively, which began in 2008.

Long-term debt on the balance sheet has been reduced for unamortized debt discount. The unamortized

debt discount at December 31 included in long-term debt on the balance sheet is \$1.6 million in 2008 and \$1.7 million in 2007.

Annual Maturities of Long-Term Debt (Dollars in thousands)							
	Total	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Thereafter
Long-term Debt	\$50,966	\$1,409	\$1,409	\$1,409	\$1,409	\$1,409	\$ 43,921

9. Line of Credit

In 2004, the Company entered into an amended and restated loan agreement that allows the Company to increase the line of credit upon 30 days notice by the Company to a maximum of \$20 million. In 2008, the agreement was amended with an expiration date of July 1, 2010, and a maximum of \$26 million. The amendment also reduces the interest rate paid on borrowings by 0.10% or 10 basis points. Effective April 29, 2008, we increased the available line of credit from \$12 million to \$15 million, with a current outstanding balance of \$12.7 million. The Company reserves \$1 million of the line of credit to cover expenses for any major storm repairs in its electric segment. An additional \$250,000 of the line of credit is reserved for a 'letter of credit' insuring our propane facilities.

The average interest rates for the line of credit were as follows as of December 31:

Year	Rate
2008	3.5%
2007	6.1%
2006	6.0%

10. Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The carrying amounts reported in the balance sheet for investments held in escrow for environmental costs, notes payable, taxes accrued and other accrued liabilities approximate fair value. The fair value of long-term debt excluding the unamortized debt discount is estimated by discounting the future cash flows of each issuance at rates currently offered to the Company for similar debt instruments of comparable maturities. The indentures governing our two first mortgage bond series outstanding contain "make-whole" provisions (pre-payment penalties that charge for lost interest). The values at December 31 are shown below.

	200	8	2007	
(Dollars in thousands)	Carrying	Approximate	Carrying Appr	oximate Fair
	Amounts	Fair Value	Amounts	Value
Long-term debt	\$ 50,966	\$56,600	\$ 52,490	\$60,000

11. Contingencies

Environmental

The Company is subject to federal and state legislation with respect to soil, groundwater and employee health and safety matters and to environmental regulations issued by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, the United States Environmental Protection Agency and other federal and state agencies. Except as discussed below, the Company does not expect to incur material future expenditures for compliance with existing environmental laws and regulations.

I)	Pollars in thousands)	
Site	Range From	Range To
West Palm Beach	\$ 5,100	\$ 18,300
Sanford	645	645
Pensacola and Key West	120	120
Total	\$ 5,865	\$ 19,065

The Company currently has \$13.4 million recorded as our best estimate of the environmental liability. The FPSC approved up to \$14 million for total recovery from insurance and rates based on the original 2005 projections as a basis for rate recovery. On October 18, 2004 the FPSC approved recovery of \$9.1 million for environmental liabilities from rates. The Company has recovered a total of \$6.3 million from insurance and rate recovery, net of costs incurred to date. The remaining balance of \$7.1 million is recorded as a regulatory asset. The amortization of this recovery and reduction to the regulatory asset began on January 1, 2005. The majority of environmental cash expenditures is expected to be incurred before 2010, but may continue for another 10 years.

West Palm Beach Site

The Company is currently evaluating remedial options to respond to environmental impacts to soil and groundwater at and in the immediate vicinity of a parcel of property owned by us in West Palm Beach, Florida upon which we previously operated a gasification plant. Pursuant to a Consent Order between the Company and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection effective April 8, 1991, the Company completed the delineation of soil and groundwater impacts at the site. On June 30, 2008, the Company transmitted a revised feasibility study, evaluating appropriate remedies for the site, to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection.

The feasibility study evaluated a wide range of remedial alternatives based on criteria provided by applicable laws and regulations. The total costs for the remedies evaluated in the feasibility study ranged from a low of \$2.8 million to a high of \$54.6 million. Based on the likely acceptability of proven remedial technologies described in the feasibility study and implemented at similar sites, consulting/remediation costs to address the impacts now characterized at the West Palm Beach site are projected to range from \$4.6 million to \$17.9 million. This range of costs covers such remedies as in situ solidification for deeper soil impacts, excavation of surficial soil impacts, installation of a barrier wall with a permeable biotreatment zone, monitored natural attenuation of dissolved impacts in groundwater, or some combination of these remedies. The feasibility study proposed a remedy of surficial soil excavation, installation of a hanging barrier wall with permeable biotreatment zone, and monitored natural attenuation, the cost of which is projected to range from \$4.6 million to \$9.9 million.

Negotiations between the Company and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection on a final remedy for the site continue. Prior to the conclusion of those negotiations, we are unable to determine, to a reasonable degree of certainty, the complete extent or cost of remedial action that may be required. As of December 31, 2008, and subject to the limitations described above, the Company's remediation expenses, including attorneys' fees and costs, are projected to range from approximately \$5.1 million to \$18.3 million for this site.

Sanford Site

The Company owns a parcel of property located in Sanford, Florida, upon which a gasification plant was operated prior to our acquisition of the property. On March 25, 1998, the Company executed an Administrative Order on Consent with the four former owners and operators (collectively, the "Group") and the United States Environmental Protection Agency that obligated the Group to implement a Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study and to pay the United States Environmental Protection Agency's past and future oversight costs. The Group also entered into a Participation Agreement and an Escrow Agreement on or about April 13, 1998. Work under the Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study

Administrative Order on Consent and Participation Agreement and an Escrow Agreement is now complete and the Company has no further obligations under either document.

In 2008, a revised Consent Decree was signed by all Group Members and the United States Environmental Protection Agency, providing for the implementation by the Group of the remedies the United States Environmental Protection Agency approved earlier for the site, which are set forth in the Records of Decision for Operable Units 1-3, and for the payment of the United States Environmental Protection Agency's past and future oversight costs. The Consent Decree was entered by the federal Court in Orlando and became effective on January 15, 2009; the parties to the Consent Decree are now obligated to implement the remedy approved by United States Environmental Protection Agency for the site

In January 2007, the Company and other members of the Group signed a Third Participation Agreement, which provides for funding the remediation work specified in the Records of Decision for Operable Units 1-3 and supersedes and replaces the Second Participation Agreement. The Company's share of remediation costs under the Third Participation Agreement is set at 5% of a maximum of \$13 million, or \$650,000. To date, the Company has contributed \$100,000 of its total share of remediation costs under the Third Participation Agreement. It is currently anticipated that the total cost of the final remedy will exceed \$13 million. The Company has advised the other members of the Sanford Group that we are unwilling at this time to agree to pay any sum in excess of the \$650,000 committed by us in the Third Participation Agreement.

Several members of the Sanford Group recently concluded negotiations with two adjacent property owners to resolve damages that the property owners allege that they have/will incur as a result of the implementation of the EPA approved remedy. In settlement of these claims, members of the Sanford Group (excluding the Company) have agreed to pay specified sums of money to the parties. In one case, the settlement agreement requires the select members of the Sanford Group to purchase the third party's property for approximately \$2 million; the third party then has an option to buy back the property after completion of the remedy for approximately the same amount. In the other case, the select members agreed to a lump sum payment of \$428,000. The Company has refused to participate in the funding of the third party settlement agreements based on the contention that it did not contribute to the release of hazardous substances at the site giving rise to the third party claims.

As of December 31, 2008, the Company's share of remediation expenses, plus the Company's attorneys' fees and costs, are projected to be approximately \$645,000 for this site. However, at this time, we are unable to determine, to a reasonable degree of certainty, whether the other members of the Sanford Group will accept the Company's asserted defense to liability for costs exceeding \$13 million to implement the final remedy for the site or will pursue a claim against the Company for a sum in excess of the \$650,000 that FPUC has committed to fund the remedy. Accordingly, we are unable to conclude that the likelihood of an adverse outcome is probable or remote.

Pensacola Site

The Company is the prior owner/operator of the former Pensacola gasification plant, located at the intersection of Cervantes Street and the Louisville and Nashville (CSX) Railroad line, Pensacola, Florida. Following notification on October 5, 1990, that the Florida Department of Environmental Protection had determined that the Company was one of several responsible parties for any environmental impacts associated with the former gasification plant site, the Company entered into cost sharing agreements with three other responsible parties providing for the funding of certain contamination assessment activities at the site.

Following field investigations performed on behalf of the responsible parties, on July 16, 1997, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection approved a final remedy for the site that provides for annual sampling of selected monitoring wells. Such annual sampling has been undertaken at the site since 1998. The Company's share of these costs is less than \$2,000 annually.

In March 1999, the United States Environmental Protection Agency requested site access in order to undertake an Expanded Site Inspection. The Expanded Site Inspection was completed by the United States Environmental Protection Agency's contractor in 1999 and an Expanded Site Inspection Report was transmitted to the Company in January 2000. The Expanded Site Inspection Report recommends additional work at the site. The responsible parties met with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection on February 7, 2000 to discuss the United States Environmental Protection Agency's plans for the site. In February 2000, the United States Environmental Protection Agency indicated preliminarily that it will defer management of the site to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection; as of July 31, 2008, the Company has not received any written confirmation from the United States Environmental Protection Agency or the Florida Department of Environmental Protection regarding this matter. Prior to receipt of the United States Environmental Protection Agency's written determination regarding site management, we are unable to determine whether additional field work or site remediation will be required by the United States Environmental Protection Agency and, if so, the scope or costs of such work.

As of December 31, 2008, the Company's share of remediation expenses for the site, including attorney's fees and costs, are projected to be approximately \$27,000.

Key West Site

Between 1927 and 1938, the Company owned and operated a gasification plant on Catherine Street, in Key West, Florida. The plant discontinued operations in the late 1940s; the property on which the plant was located is currently used for a propane gas distribution business. In March 1993, a Preliminary Contamination Assessment Report was prepared by a consultant jointly retained by the Company and the current site owner and was delivered to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection. The Preliminary Contamination Assessment Report reported that very limited soil and groundwater impacts were present at the site. By letter dated December 20, 1993, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection notified the Company that the site did not warrant further "CERCLA consideration and a Site Evaluation Accomplished disposition is recommended." the Florida Department of Environmental Protection then referred the matter to its Marathon office for consideration of whether additional work would be required by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection's district office under Florida law. As of December 31, 2008, the Company has received no further communication from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection with respect to the site. At this time, we are unable to determine whether additional field work will be required by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and, if so, the scope or costs of such work. In 1999, the Company received an estimate from its consultant that additional costs to assess and remediate the reported impacts would be approximately \$166,000. As of December 31, 2008 and

assuming the current owner shared in such costs according to the allocation agreed upon by the parties for the Preliminary Contamination Assessment Report, the Company's share of remediation expenses, including attorneys' fees and costs, is projected to be \$93,000 for this site.

12. Commitments

A. General

To ensure a reliable supply of electric and natural gas at competitive prices, the Company has entered into long-term purchase and transportation contracts with various suppliers and producers, which expire at various dates through 2023. At December 31, 2008, the Company had firm purchase and transportation commitments adequate to supply its expected future sales requirements. The Company is committed to pay demand or similar fixed charges of approximately \$31.1 million during 2009 related to gas purchase agreements. Substantially all costs incurred under the electric and gas purchase agreements are currently recoverable from customers through fuel adjustment clause mechanisms.

13. Employee Benefit Plans

A. Pension Plan

The Company sponsors a qualified defined benefit pension plan for non-union employees that were hired before January 1, 2005 and for unionized employees that work under one of the six Company union contracts and were hired before their respective contract dates in 2005 and 2006.

In an effort to reduce the anticipated expenses and pension liability, the Company is proposing to freeze the pension plan effective December 31, 2009 for all employees currently in the Company's pension plan. The freeze will reduce both pension expenses and pension contribution beginning in 2010. The freeze will stop additional benefits from accruing in the future, including freezing salary rates at levels existing in 2009. With the freeze, total pension expense and total pension contributions for the next five years are expected to be approximately \$1 million and \$12 million, respectively.

Our Company adopted the recognition provisions of SFAS No. 158, as required, at December 31, 2006 and used December 31 as the measurement date to measure the assets and obligations of our retirement plans. This resulted in an additional liability for retirement plans. The tax on the non-regulated portion of the liability has been recorded as a deferred income tax asset. As an offset, the regulatory portion of this liability has been deferred as a regulatory asset to be recovered in future periods and the remaining loss has been included in other accumulated comprehensive income (loss) net of taxes.

The fair value of our retirement plan assets and obligations are subject to change based on market fluctuations.

The following tables provide a reconciliation of the changes in the plan's benefit obligations and fair value of assets over the three year period ending December 31, 2008 and a statement of the funded status as of December 31, of all three years:

	Fiscal Y	ear Ending Decer	nber 31,
	2008	2007	2006
Accumulated Benefit Obligation at the End of the Year	\$37,441,162	\$34,139,719	\$33,693,860
Change in Projected Benefit Obligation on a Measurement Year Basis:			
Projected Benefit Obligation at the Beginning of the Period	39,519,824	38,650,888	36,349,925
Service Cost	1,014,581	1,053,824	1,225,495
Interest Cost	2,582,227	2,293,540	2,160,719
Actuarial (Gain) or Loss	1,553,709	(909,856)	541,865
Benefits Paid	(1,603,717)	(1,568,572)	(1,529,258
Curtailment	-	-	(97,858
Projected Benefit Obligation at the End of the Period	\$43,066,624	\$39,519,824	\$38,650,888
Change in Plan Assets on a Measurement Year Basis:			
Fair Value of Plan Assets at the Beginning of the Period	\$36,240,316	\$35,635,214	\$32,936,666
Actual Return on Plan Assets	(9,726,707)	1,923,674	3,977,806
Benefits Paid	(1,603,717)	(1,568,572)	(1,529,258)
Employer Contributions	400,000	250,000	250,000
Fair Value of Assets at the End of the Period	\$25,309,892	\$36,240,316	\$35,635,214
Funded Status at the End of the Measurement Year:	\$(17,756,732)	\$(3,279,508)	\$(3,015,674)
Amounts Recognized in the Statement of Financial Position At Year-End after Applying FAS 158:			
Portion of Amount Recognized as Accumulated Other Comprehensive (Income) Loss	\$2,590,973	\$(29,768)	\$207,885
Portion of Amount Recognized as Regulatory Asset	10 202 204	(156.070)	727.040
(Liability) –retirement plans	10,363,894	(156,979)	737,049
Net Amount Recognized at Year-End	\$12,954,867	\$(186,747)	\$944,934
Amounts Recognized in Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income) Loss and Regulatory Asset (Liability) after Applying FAS 158:			
Transition Obligation (Asset)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Prior Service Cost (Credit)	2,535,898	3,255,374	3,992,489
Net (Gain) or Loss	10,418,969	(3,442,121)	(3,047,555)
Net Amount Recognized at the End of the Year (Note 13. C.)	\$12,954,867	\$(186,747)	\$944,934
Weighted Average Assumptions at the End of the Year			
Discount Rate	6.35%	6.65%	6.00%
Rate of Compensation Increase	3.75%	3.90%	3.25%
Mortality	RP-2000	RP-2000	GAM 83

The following table provides the components of net periodic benefit cost for the plans for fiscal years 2008, 2007 and 2006:

Net Periodic Pension Cost

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	Years E	Years Ended December 31,			
	2008	2007	2006		
(1) Service Cost	\$1,014,581	\$1,053,824	\$1,225,495		
(2) Interest Cost	2,582,227	2,293,540	2,160,719		
(3) Expected Return on Plan Assets	(2,580,674)	(2,438,964)	(2,426,064)		
(4) Amortization of Transition Obligation/(Asset)	x		-		
(5) Amortization of Prior Service Cost	719,476	737,115	737,115		

(6) Amortization of Net (Gain)	-	-	÷
(7) Total FAS 87 Net Periodic Pension Cost	\$1,735,610	\$1,645,515	\$1,697,265
(8) FAS 88 Charges / (Credits)			
(a) Curtailment	-	÷	(97,858)
(9) Total Net Periodic Pension Cost	\$1,735,610	\$1,645,515	\$1,599,407
(10) Weighted Average Assumptions			
(a) Discount Rate at Beginning of the Period	6.65%	6.00%	5.90%
(b) Expected Return on Plan Assets	8.50%	8.50%	8.50%
(c) Rate of Compensation Increase	3.90%	3.25%	3.15%

Expected Amortizations

		Fisc	al Year	Ending	Decem	ber 31,	
		2009		2008	3	2007	7
(1)	Expected Amortization of Transition Obligation (Asset)	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
(2)	Expected Amortization of Prior Service Cost (Credit)	684	,830	719	9,476	737	7,115
(3)	Expected Amortization of Net Loss (Gain)	\$140	,000	\$	-	\$	

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			Target Allocation		an er 31	
			2009	2008	2007	2006
(1)	Plan	Assets				
	(a)	Equity Securities	40% - 75%	69%	64%	68%
	(b)	Debt Securities	25% - 50%	30%	36%	30%
	(c)	Real Estate	0% - 0%	0%	0%	0%
	(d)	Other	0% - 15%	1%	0%	2%
	(e)	Total		100%	100%	100%

Expected Return on Plan Assets

The expected rate of return on plan assets is 8.5%. The Company expects 8.5% to fall within the 50 to 60 percentile range of returns on investment portfolios with asset diversification similar to that of the Pension Plan's target asset allocation.

Investment Policy and Strategy

The Company has established and maintains an investment policy designed to achieve a long-term rate of return, including investment income and appreciation, sufficient to meet the actuarial requirements of the Pension Plan. The Company seeks to accomplish its return objectives by investing in a diversified portfolio of equity, fixed income and cash securities seeking a balance of growth and stability as well as an adequate level of liquidity for pension distributions as they fall due. As a guideline, no more than 10% of the portfolio is invested in any one issue.

(1)	Expected Contributions for Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2009	
	Required Minimum Employer Contributions for 2008 plan year	\$ 560,000
	Voluntary Employer Contributions for 2008 plan year	4,065,000
	Total Employer Contributions in 2009 for 2008 plan year	4,625,000
	Required Minimum Payments for 2009 plan year	1,230,000
	Expected Employer Contributions in 2009	\$5,855,000
	Expected Employee Contributions	•
(2)	Estimated Future Benefit Payments Reflecting Expected Future Service for the years ending De	ecember 31,
	2009	\$2,007,172
	2010	\$2,130,588
	2011	\$2,229,920
	2012	\$2,373,239
	2013	\$2,550,996
	2014 - 2018	\$15,225,040

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Amount of Plan Assets Expected to be Returned to the Employer in the Fiscal Year Ending 12/31/09

Other Accounting Items

		Years Ended December 31,		
		2008	2007	2006
(1)	Market-Related Value of Assets as of beginning of fiscal year	\$31,152,347	\$29,485,534	\$29,290,131
(2)	Amount of Future Annual Benefits of Plan Participants			
	Covered by Insurance Contracts Issued by the Employer			
	or Related Parties	*	÷	
(3)	Alternative Amortization Methods Used to Amortize			
	(a) Prior Service Cost	Straight Line	Straight Line	Straight Line
	(b) Unrecognized Net (Gain) or Loss	Straight Line	Straight Line	Straight Line
(4)	Average Future Service	10.3	10.56	10.8
(5)	Employer Commitments to Make Future Plan Amendments(that			
	Serve as the Basis for the Employer's Accounting for the Plan)	None	None	None
(6)	Description of Special or Contractual Termination Benefits			
	Recognized During the Period	N/A	N/A	N/A
(7)	Cost of Benefits Described in (6)	N/A	N/A	N/A
(8)	Explanation of Any Significant Change in Benefit Obligation or			
	Plan Assets not Otherwise Apparent in the Above Disclosures	N/A	N/A	N/A
(9)	Measurement Date Used	12/31/2008	12/31/2007	12/31/2006

B. Medical Plan

The Company sponsors a postretirement medical program. The medical plan is contributory with participants' contributions adjusted annually. The following tables provide required financial disclosures over the three-year period ended December 31, 2008:

Benefit Obligations and Funded Status

	Fiscal Yea	ar Ending Decer	nber 31,
-	2008	2007	2006
Change in Accumulated Postretirement Benefit Obligation on a			
Measurement Year Basis:			
Accumulated Postretirement Benefit Obligation at the			
Beginning of the Period	\$1,621,553	\$1,865,353	\$ 2,343,583
Service Cost	52,592	54,603	59,982
Interest Cost	103,917	95,348	105,483
Actuarial (Gain) or Loss	(13,642)	(329,969)	(568,755)
Benefits Paid	(105,953)	(96,975)	(117,459)
Change in Plan Provisions	*	-	
Plan Participant Contributions	34,740	33,193	42,519
Accumulated Postretirement Benefit Obligation at the End of	\$1,693,207	\$1,621,553	\$1,865,353
the Period	\$1,093,207	\$1,021,000	\$1,000,000
Change in Plan Assets on a Measurement Year Basis:		_	700
Fair Value of Plan Assets at the Beginning of the Period	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Benefits Paid	(105,953)	(96,975)	(117,459)
Employer Contributions	71,213	63,782	74,940
Plan Participant Contributions	34,740	33,193	42,519
Fair Value of Assets at the End of the Period	<u> </u>	\$	\$ -
Funded Status at the End of the Measurement Year:	\$(1,693,207)	\$(1,621,553)	\$(1,865,353)
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: Amounts Recognized in the Statement of Financial Position At			
Year-End After Applying FAS 158			
Net Asset (Liability):	\$(1,693,207)	\$(1,621,553)	\$(1,865,353)
Portion of Amount Recognized as Accumulated Other Comprehensive (Income)	(104.845)	(110,565)	(42,346)

Portion of Amount Recognized as Regulatory Asset (Liability) -retirement plans Net Asset (Liability) Recognized in the Statement of Financial Position At Year-End After Applying FAS 158	(419,380)	(406,768)	(150,134)
(Current Liabilities) included in Other Accruals and Payables	(98,355)	(88, 176)	(150,589)
(Noncurrent Liabilities) included in Long-term medical and			
pension reserve	(1,594,852)	(1,533,377)	(1,714,764)
Total Net Asset (Liability):	\$(1,693,207)	\$(1,621,553)	\$(1,865,353)
Amounts Recognized in Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income After Applying FAS 158			
Transition Obligation (Asset)	171,574	214,470	257,366
Prior Service Cost (Credit)	-		-
Net (Gain) or Loss	(695,799)	(731,803)	(449,846)
Net Amount Recognized at the End of the Year (Note 13. C.)	\$(524,225)	\$(517,333)	\$(192,480)
Weighted Average Assumptions at the End of the Year			
Discount Rate	6.60%	6.45%	6.00%
Rate of Compensation Increase	N/A	N/A	N/A
Mortality	RP-2000	RP-2000	GAM 83
Assumed Health Care Cost Trend Rates			
Health Care Cost Trend Rate Assumed for Next Year	9.50%	10.50%	11.50%
Ultimate Rate	5.00%	5.00%	5.00%
Year that the Ultimate Rate is Reached	2014	2014	2014

Net Periodic Postretirement Benefit Cost

		Years e	nded December	31,
		2008	2007	2006
(1)	Service Cost	\$52,592	\$54,603	\$59,982
(2)	Interest Cost	103,917	95,348	105,483
(3)	Amortization of Transition Obligation/(Asset)	42,896	42,896	42,896
(4)	Amortization of Prior Service Cost	•	-	-
(5)	Amortization of Net (Gain) or Loss	(49,646)	(48,012)	(17,981)
(6)	Total Net Periodic Benefit Cost	\$149,759	\$144,835	\$190,380
(7)	Weighted Average Assumptions			
	(a) Discount Rate	6.45%	6.00%	5.90%
	(b) Expected Return on Plan Assets	N/A	N/A	N/A
	(c) Rate of Compensation Increase	N/A	N/A	N/A
(8)	Assumed Health Care Cost Trend Rates			
	(a) Health Care Cost Trend Rate Assumed for	10.50%	11.50%	12.50%
	Current Year			
	(b) Ultimate Rate	5.00%	5.00%	5.00%
	(c) Year that the Ultimate Rate is Reached	2014	2014	2014

Expected Amortizations

		Years ended December 31,			
		2009	2008	2007	
(1)	Expected Amortization of Transition Obligation (Asset)	\$42,896	\$42,896	\$42,896	
(2)	Expected Amortization of Prior Service Cost (Credit)	-	-	-	
(3)	Expected Amortization of Net Loss (Gain)	\$(49,668)	\$(49,646)	\$(48,012)	
(4)	Impact of One-Percentage-Point Change in				
	Sensitivity				
(1)	Assumed Health Care Cost Trend Rates	Increase	Decrease		
	(a) Effect on Service Cost + Interest Cost	\$21,105	(\$18,078)		
	(b) Effect on Postretirement Benefit Obligation	\$184,496	(\$160,397)		

Plan Assets

		Target Allocation		rcentage of Plats at Decembe	
		2009	2008	2007	2006
(1)	Plan Assets			·	
	(a) Equity Securities	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	(b) Debt Securities	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	(c) Real Estate	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	(d) Other	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	(e) Total	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

(1)	Expected Contributions for Fiscal Year Ending 12/31/2009								
	(a)	Expected Employer Contribut	tions			\$98,355			
	(b)	Expected Employee Contribut	tions			\$36,332			
(2)	Estimated Future Benefit Payments Reflecting Expected Future Service for the Fiscal Year(s) Endis								
	Medicare Part-D								
			Total	Reimbursement	Employee	Employer			
	(a)	12/31/2009	\$146,143	\$11,456	\$36,332	\$98,355			
	(b)	12/31/2010	\$157,907	\$12,004	\$39,325	\$106,578			
	(c)	12/31/2011	\$169,174	\$12,603	\$39,728	\$116,843			
	(d)	12/31/2012	\$192,641	\$13,099	\$43,581	\$135,961			
	(e)	12/31/2013	\$187,531	\$14,050	\$45,505	\$127,976			
	(f)	12/31/2014 - 12/31/2018	\$1,136,158	\$82,872	\$269,523	\$783,763			

Amount of Plan Assets Expected to be Returned to the Employer in the Fiscal Year Ending 12/31/2009

\$0

Other	Accounting	Items
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	Years Ended December 31,		
	2008	2007	2006
Market-Related Value of Assets as of beginning of year	N/A	N/A	N/A
Amount of Future Annual Benefits of Plan Participants Covered by Insurance Contracts Issued by the Employer or Related Parties		-	-
Alternative Amortization Methods Used to Amortize			
(a) Prior Service Cost	Straight Line	Straight Line	Straight Line
(b) Unrecognized Net (Gain) or Loss	Straight Line	Straight Line	Straight Line
Average Future Service	10.60	10.90	11.10
Employer Commitments to Make Future Plan Amendments (that Serve as the Basis for the Employer's Accounting for the Plan)	None	None	None
Benefits Recognized During the Period	N/A	N/A	N/A
Cost of Benefits Described in (6)	N/A	N/A	N/A
Explanation of Any Significant Change in Benefit Obligation or Plan Assets not Otherwise Apparent in the Above Disclosures	N/A	N/A	N/A
Measurement Date Used	12/31/2008	12/31/2007	12/31/2006
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Discount Rate Assumption

The discount rate assumption used to determine the postretirement benefit obligations is based on current yield rates in the double A bond market. The current year's discount rate was selected using a method that matches projected payouts from the plan with a zero-coupon double A bond yield curve. This yield curve was constructed from the underlying bond price and yield data collected as of the plan's measurement date and is represented by a series of annualized, individual discount rates with durations ranging from six months to thirty years. Each discount rate in the curve was derived from an equal weighting of the double A or higher bond universe, apportioned into distinct maturity groups. These individual discount rates are then converted into a single equivalent discount rate, which is then used for FAS discount purposes. To assure that the resulting rates can be achieved by a postretirement benefit plan, only bonds that satisfy certain criteria and are expected to remain available through the period of maturity of the plan benefits are used to develop the discount rate. Prior years' discount rate assumptions were set based on investment yields available on double A, long-term corporate bonds.

Actuarial Equivalent

In determining "Actuarial Equivalence," Aon's proprietary prescription drug pricing tool was used. This tool allowed us to determine the estimated Per Member Per Month prescription drug cost for both the company plan and the Medicare plan. The two Per Member Per Month's were adjusted for monthly retiree contributions. We assumed that 60% of the monthly combined medical and prescription drug retiree contribution for the company plan applies towards prescription drugs. Because the subsidy is the same regardless of the cost sharing structure (unless the plan is not "Actuarial Equivalent"), in general a plan that has higher cost sharing would reduce their annual cost as a percentage greater than a plan would that has lower cost sharing.

Voluntary Prescription Drug Coverage

Legislation enacted in December 2003 provides for the addition of voluntary prescription drug coverage under Medicare starting in 2006. The legislation also provides for a 28% tax-free subsidy for each qualified covered retiree's drug cost between certain thresholds if the employer's coverage is at least actuarially equivalent to the standard Medicare drug benefit. Based on the final regulations issued by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services on January 21, 2005, we determined our prescription drug coverage of the Postretirement Medical Benefits plan to be actuarially equivalent to Medicare Part D.

C. Accumulated Other Comprehensive (Income) Loss and Regulatory Asset/ (Liability)

The amount recognized in Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income after applying FAS 158 is shown in the Balance Sheet as Regulatory Asset – Retirement Plan and is computed as follows:

	Year Ending December 31,			ber 31,
		2008		2007
Amount recognized in Accumulated Other	1.3			
Comprehensive Income After Applying FAS 158:				
Relating to Pension	\$	12,954,867	\$	(186,747)
Deferred Tax relating to Pension		(974,983)		14,258
Relating to Post Retirement Medical		(524, 225)		(517,333)
Deferred Tax relating to Post Retirement Medical		39,453		38,549
Total Amounts Recognized in Accumulated				
Other Comprehensive Income After Applying FAS 158	\$	11,495,112	\$	(651,273)
Allocated portion to regulated segments,				
shown as Regulatory Asset (Liability)-Retirement Plan	\$	9,944,514	\$	(563,747)
Allocated portion to non-regulated segments,				
shown as Other Comprehensive (Income)/Loss		2,486,128		(140,333)
Deferred Tax		(935,530)		52,807
Other Comprehensive (Income) Loss net of Deferred Tax		1,550,598		(87,526)
Total for regulated and non-regulated segments	\$	11,495,112	\$	(651,273)

D. Health Plan

In December 2003, the Company became fully insured for its employee and retiree's medical insurance. Net health care benefits paid by the Company were approximately \$2 million in 2008, \$1.8 million in 2007 and \$1.7 million in 2006 excluding administrative and stop-loss insurance.

E. 401K Plan

The Company has discontinued eligibility to the defined benefit pension plan for all new hires, and replaced it with the 401K match discussed below.

For new hires not eligible for the defined benefit pension plan, we established an employer match to the employee's contribution to their 401K plans. It provides for a company match of 50% for each dollar contributed by the employee, up to 6% of their salary, for a company contribution of up to 3%. Beginning in 2007, for non-union employees the plan was enhanced to provide a company match of 100% for the first 2% of an employee's contribution, and a match of 50% for the next 4% of an employee's contribution, for a total company match of up to 4%. This enhanced match was successfully negotiated with our six union contracts in 2007. Employees are automatically enrolled at 3% contribution, with the option of opting out, and are eligible for the company match after six months of continuous service, with vesting of 100% after three years of continuous service.

The Company plans to replace the current pension plan with the 401K match discussed above at the end of 2009 for all remaining employees.

F. Employee Stock Purchase Plan

The Company offers an employee stock purchase plan to substantially all of its employees. The plan offers a 15% discount on the Company's stock at market price fixed six months prior to the date of purchase. The recorded stock compensation expense relating to the Company's employee stock purchase plan is not material.

14. Covenants

We have historically met all our line of credit and fuel supplier covenants. As of December 2008 we were in violation of a covenant regarding our total liabilities to tangible net worth ratio included in one of our supply agreements with a fuel provider. The violation was caused primarily by a significant increase in our pension liability. Failure to meet this covenant would have required us to provide a one year irrevocable letter of credit for \$3.3 million; however, we received a 30 day time extension to March 27, 2009 to meet this covenant ratio. On March 20, 2009, we calculated the covenant ratio, as of February 28, 2009, and are now are in compliance with this covenant. We plan to notify the fuel provider before March 27, 2009 of our compliance. At this time management does not anticipate any further covenant violations.

Our line of credit contains a similar covenant ratio. The Company is in compliance with all covenants on

our line of credit and other fuel supply agreements at December 31, 2008. Management is continuing to take steps to comply with all covenants going forward, but there can be no assurance that further deterioration of the market or the economy will not occur and give rise to a violation.

15. Segment Information

The Company is organized into two regulated business segments: natural gas and electric, and one non-regulated business segment, propane gas. There are no material inter-segment sales or transfers.

Identifiable assets are those assets used in the Company's operations in each business segment. Common assets are principally cash and overnight investments, deferred tax assets and common plant.

Business segment information for 2008, 2007 and 2006 is summarized as follows:

(Dollars in thousands)		2008		2007		2006
Revenues						·
Natural gas	\$	72,624	\$	64,850	\$	71,139
Electric		78,655		55,521		48,527
Propane gas		17,269		16,171		15,115
Consolidated	\$	168,548	\$.	136,542	\$	134,781
Operating income, excluding						
income tax				1.00		
Natural gas	\$	3,563	\$	4,647	\$	6,118
Electric		4,205		2,653		3,053
Propane gas		1,341		1,521		1,006
Consolidated	\$	9,109	\$.	8,821	\$	10,177
Identifiable assets						
Natural gas	\$	101,920	\$	99,295	\$	93,689
Electric		58,220		54,202		52,251
Propane gas		18,534		19,371		19,239
Common		30,257		19,476		16,055
Consolidated	\$	208,931	\$.	192,344	\$	181,234
Depreciation and amortization						
Natural gas	\$	4,569	\$	4,374	\$	4,095
Electric		3,202		2,714		2,610
Propane gas		824		898		720
Common		317		300		317
Consolidated	\$	8,912	\$.	8,286	\$	7,742
Construction expenditures						·
Natural gas	\$	6,017	\$	11,134	\$	7,643
Electric		3,907		4,387		3,184
Propane gas		1,041		773		1,885
Common		262	-	446		404
Consolidated	\$	11,227	\$	16,740	\$	13,116
Income tax expense						
Natural gas	\$	270	\$	730	\$	1,336
Electric		929		430		546
Propane gas		361		272		110
Common		243		265		246
Consolidated	\$	1,803	\$.	1,697	\$	2,238

16. Quarterly Financial Data (Unaudited)

The quarterly financial data presented below reflects the influence of seasonal weather conditions, the timing of rate increases and the migration of winter residents and tourists to Central and South Florida during the winter season.

(Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts):	-	First Juarter	-	Second uarter	 Third Quarter	 ourth uarter
2008						
Revenues	\$	45,030	\$	41,376	\$ 41,934	\$ 40,208
Gross profit	\$	14,118	\$	12,025	\$ 11,863	\$ 13,221
Operating income	\$	4,011	\$	1,142	\$ 1,566	\$ 2,390
Earnings before income taxes	\$	3,016	\$	60	\$ 644	\$ 1,569
Net Income	\$	1,950	\$	81	\$ 424	\$ 1031
Earnings per common share (basic and diluted)	\$	0.32	\$	0.01	\$ 0.07	\$ 0.17
2007						
Revenues	\$	38,612	\$	32,468	\$ 31,641	\$ 33,821
Gross profit	\$	13,843	\$	11,769	\$ 11,062	\$ 12,047
Operating income	\$	3,738	\$	1,596	\$ 1,414	\$ 2,073
Earnings before income taxes	\$	2,827	\$	607	\$ 519	\$ 1,045
Net Income	\$	1,798	\$	410	\$ 355	\$ 738
Earnings per common share (basic and diluted)	\$	0.30	\$	0.07	\$ 0.06	\$ 0.12

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Directors and Shareholders of FPU:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets and statements of capitalization of Florida Public Utilities Company and its wholly-owned subsidiary, Flo-Gas Corporation as of December 31, 2008 and 2007 and the related consolidated statements of income, comprehensive income, common shareholders' equity and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2008. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. Our audits included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements and schedules, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Florida Public Utilities Company and its wholly-owned subsidiary, Flo-Gas Corporation at December 31, 2008 and 2007, and the results of its operation and its cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2008, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

BDO Seidman, LLP Certified Public Accountants West Palm Beach, Florida March 20, 2009

Item 9. Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure

None.

Item 9A(T).Controls and Procedures

Disclosure Controls and Procedures

In accordance with Rules 13a-15 and 15d-15 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, we carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures as of December 31, 2008. Based on that evaluation, our CEO and CFO have concluded that, as of December 31, 2008, our disclosure controls and procedures were effective.

Management's annual report on internal control over financial reporting

Management of the Company is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Exchange Act. The Company's internal control over financial reporting is designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Because of the inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

Management assessed the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2008. In making this assessment, management used the criteria set forth by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission in Internal Control-Integrated Framework. Based on such assessment and those criteria, management believes that the Company's internal control over financial reporting was effective as of December 31, 2008.

Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

There have not been any changes in the Company's internal control over financial reporting during the fiscal quarter ended December 31, 2008 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

This annual report does not include an attestation report of the Company's registered public accounting firm regarding internal control over financial reporting. Management's report was not subject to attestation by the Company's registered public accounting firm pursuant to temporary rules of the SEC that permit the Company to provide only management's report in this annual report.

PART III

Item 10. Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance

Information required by this item concerning directors and nominees of the Registrant will be included under the caption "Information About Nominees and Continuing Directors" in the Registrant's Proxy Statement for the 2009 Annual Meeting of Shareholders (the "2009 Proxy Statement") and is incorporated by reference herein. Information required by this item regarding the Audit Committee will be included under the caption "Board of Directors and Committees-Audit Committee" in the 2009 Proxy Statement and is incorporated by reference herein. Information required by this Item regarding the code of ethics will be included under the caption "Board of Directors and Committees – Corporate Governance and Communications with Shareholders" in the 2009 Proxy Statement and is incorporated by reference herein. Information required by this Item regarding compliance with Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act will be set forth in the 2009 Proxy Statement under "Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance" and is incorporated by reference herein. Information required by this Item concerning executive officers is set out in Part I of this Form 10-K, above.

Item 11. Executive Compensation

Information required by this Item concerning executive compensation is included under the captions "Board of Directors and Committees – 2008 Director Compensation", "Executive Compensation", and "Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation" in the 2009 Proxy Statement and is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters

Information required by this Item concerning the security ownership of certain of the Registrant's beneficial owners and management is included under the caption "Security Ownership of Management and Certain Beneficial Owners" in the 2009 Proxy Statement and is incorporated by reference herein. See Item 5 above for equity compensation plan information, which is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions and Director Independence

Information required by this Item concerning director independence is included under the caption "Board of Directors and Committees – Board of Directors" in the 2009 Proxy Statement and is incorporated by reference herein. There were no transactions to report under Item 404 of Regulation S-K.

Item 14. Principal Accountant Fees and Services

Information required by this Item is set forth in the Registrant's 2009 Proxy Statement under the caption "Principal Accountant Fees and Services" and is incorporated by reference herein.

PART IV

Item 15. Exhibits, Financial Statement Schedules

- (a) The following documents are filed as part of this report:
 - (1) Financial Statements

The following consolidated financial statements of the Company are included herein and in the Registrant's 2008 Annual Report to Shareholders:

Consolidated Statements of Income Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income Consolidated Balance Sheets Consolidated Statements of Capitalization Consolidated Statements of Common Shareholders' Equity Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

(2) Financial Statement Schedules

The following valuation and qualifying accounts table is included in Note 1.I. herein and in the Registrant's 2008 Annual Report to Shareholders:

Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

- (3) Exhibits
- 3.1 Restated Articles of Incorporation (Incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit 3.1 on FPU's Form 8-K filed November 10, 2008)
- 3.2 Restated By-Laws effective as of November 7, 2008 (Incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit 3.2 on FPU's Form 8-k filed November 10, 2008)
- 3.3 Amendment to Articles of Incorporation increasing the number of authorized shares of common stock, \$1.50 par value per share, from 6,000,000 to 10,000,000 shares. (Incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit 3.3 on FPU's Form 10-Q for the quarter ended on June 30, 2008)
- 4.1 Indenture of Mortgage and Deed of Trust of FPU dated as of September 1, 1942 (Incorporated by reference herein to Exhibit 7-A to Registration No. 2-6087)
- Fourteenth Supplemental Indenture dated September 1, 2001. (Incorporated by reference to exhibit 4(b) on FPU's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001)
- 4.3 Fifteenth Supplemental Indenture dated November 1, 2001. (Incorporated by reference to exhibit 4(c) on FPU's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001)

- 10.1 Amended and Restated loan agreement between FPU and Bank of America, N.A. dated October 29, 2004. (Incorporated by reference as exhibit 10(n) on FPU's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2004)
- 10.2 Security agreement between FPU and Bank of America, N.A. dated October 29, 2004. (Incorporated by reference as exhibit 10(o) on FPU's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2004)
- 10.3 First Amendment to Amended and Restated Loan Agreement and Promissory Note between FPU and Bank of America dated August 25, 2006. (Incorporated by reference to exhibit 10(2) on FPU's Form 10-Q for third quarter ending September 30, 2006, File No. 001-10608)
- 10.4 Amended Security Agreement and Promissory Note between FPU and Bank of America dated March 21, 2008. (Incorporated by reference as Exhibit 10.1 on FPU's Form 10-Q for first quarter ending March 31, 2008.)
- 10.5 Contract for the transportation of natural gas between FPU and the City of Lake Worth dated March 25, 1992 (Incorporated by reference to exhibit 10(f) on FPU's Form S-2 for July 1992, File No. 0-1055)
- Transportation agreement between FPU and the City of Lake Worth (Incorporated by reference to exhibit 99.2 on FPU's Form 8-K filed April 4, 2003, File No. 001-10608)
- 10.7 A Mutual Release agreement, as of March 31, 2003, by and between FPU, Lake Worth Generation, LLC, The City of Lake Worth, and The AES Corporation. (Incorporated by reference to exhibit 99.3 on FPU's Form 8-K filed April 4, 2003, File No. 001-10608)
- 10.8 Contract for the purchase of electric power between FPU and Jacksonville Electric Authority dated January 29, 1996. (Incorporated by reference to exhibit 10(h) on FPU's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2000)
- Amendment to Electric Service Contract by and between JEA and FPU dated September 25, 2006, effective January 1, 2007. (Incorporated by reference as Exhibit 10.1 to our Form 10-Q, for the quarter ending September 30, 2006, File No. 001-10608)
- 10.10 Amended and restated Electric Service Contract by and between JEA and Florida Public Utilities Company dated November 6, 2008. (Incorporated by reference as Exhibit 10.1 to our Form 8-K filed November 12, 2008)
- 10.11 Contract for the purchase of electric power between FPU and Gulf Power Company effective November 21, 1996. (Incorporated by reference to exhibit 10(i) on FPU's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2000)
- 10.12* Contract for the Agreement for Generation Services by and between FPU and Gulf Power Company dated December 28, 2006, effective January 1, 2008 (Incorporated by reference as Exhibit 10(s) on FPU's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2006)

- 10.13 Network Operating Agreement between FPU and Southern Company Services, Inc. for the transmission of power purchased from Gulf Power Company, dated June 9, 2008. (Incorporated by reference as Exhibit 10.3 on FPU's Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2008)
- 10.14 Network Integration Transmission Service Agreement between FPU and Southern Company Services, Inc. for the transmission of power purchased from Gulf Power Company, dated June 9, 2008. (Incorporated by reference as Exhibit 10.4 on FPU's Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2008)
- 10.15 Contract for the purchase of as-available capacity and energy between FPU and Container Corporation of America dated September 19, 1985 (Incorporated by reference to exhibit 10(i) on FPU's Form S-2 for July 1992, File No. 0-1055)
- 10.16 Contract for the sale of electric service between FPU and Container Corporation of America dated August 26, 1982 (Incorporated by reference to exhibit 10(j) on FPU's Form S-2 for July 1992, File No. 0-1055)
- 10.17 Contract for the sale of electric service between FPU and ITT Rayonier Inc. Dated April 1, 1982 (Incorporated by reference to exhibit 10(k) on FPU's Form S-2 for July 1992, File No. 0-1055)
- 10.18 Form of Stock Purchase and Sale Agreement between FPU and three persons who, upon termination of two trusts, will become the record and beneficial owners of an aggregate of 313,554 common shares of the Registrant (Incorporated by reference to exhibit 10(p) on FPU's Form S-2 for July 1992, File No. 0-1055)
- 10.19 Contract for the sale of certain assets comprising FPU's water utility business to the City of Fernandina Beach dated December 3, 2002. (Incorporated by reference to exhibit 10(o) on FPU's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002)
- 10.20# Non-Employee Director Compensation Plan, approved by Board of Directors on March 18, 2005. (Incorporated by reference as exhibit 10(p) on FPU's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2004)
- 10.21 Agreement for the purchase of land in south Florida dated July 5, 2007. (Incorporated by reference as Exhibit 10.1 to our Form 10-Q, for the quarter ended June 30, 2007)
- 10.22 Agreement for the Firm Transportation Service with Florida Gas Transmission, for services beginning 11/01/07, expiring 2/29/2016, Contract No. 107033 (Incorporated by reference as Exhibit 10.1 to our Form 10-Q, for the quarter ended on September 30, 2007)
- 10.23 Agreement for Firm Transportation Service with Florida Gas Transmission, for services beginning 11/01/07, expiring 3/31/2022, Contract No. 107034 (Incorporated by reference as Exhibit 10.2 to our Form 10-Q, for the quarter ended on September 30, 2007)

- 10.24 Agreement for Firm Transportation Service with Florida Gas Transmission, for services beginning 11/01/07, expiring 2/29/2016, Contract No. 107035 (Incorporated by reference as Exhibit 10.3 to our Form 10-Q, for the quarter ended on September 30, 2007)
- Agreement with Chevron Natural Gas dated December 13, 2007. (Incorporated by reference as Exhibit 10(x) on FPU's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007)
- 10.26 Amendment to physical sale Agreement with Inergy Propane, LLC dated October 31, 2007 (Incorporated by reference as Exhibit 10(y) on FPU's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007)
- 10.27* Physical Sale Agreement between FPU and Inergy Propane, LLC dated May 1, 2008 (Incorporated by reference as Exhibit 10.2 on FPU's Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2008)
- 10.28* Physical Agreement between FPU and Inergy Propane, LLC dated as of February 18, 2009, relating to March and April 2009 purchases
- 10.29* Physical Agreement between FPU and Inergy Propane, LLC dated as of February 18, 2009, relating to May 2009 through February 2010 purchases
- 10.30 Agreement with Crosstex Gulf Coast Marketing LTD dated December 14, 2007. (Incorporated by reference as Exhibit 10(z) on FPU's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007)
- 10.31# Employment Agreement between the Company and John T. English dated August 21, 2008 (Incorporated by reference as Exhibit 10.1 on FPU's Form 8-K filed August 21, 2008)
- 10.32# Employment Agreement between the Company and Charles L. Stein dated August 21, 2008 (Incorporated by reference as Exhibit 10.2 on FPU's Form 8-K filed August 21, 2008)
- 10.33# Employment Agreement between the Company and George M. Bachman dated August 21, 2008 (Incorporated by reference as Exhibit 10.3 on FPU's Form 8-K filed August 21, 2008)
- 10.34# Summary of Annual Executive Officers' Incentive Plan
- 16 Change in certifying accountants (Incorporated herein by reference as exhibit 16 to FPU's current report on Form 8-K, filed April 18, 2003)
- Subsidiary of the registrant (Incorporated by reference to exhibit 21 on FPU's annual report on Form 10-K, for the year ended December 31, 2000)
- 23 Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm BDO Seidman, LLP
- 31.1 Certification of Principal Executive Officer (302)
- 31.2 Certification of Principal Financial Officer (302)
- 32 Certification of Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer (906)
 - # Denotes management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement.
 - * This exhibit contains terms for which confidential treatment has been granted or requested.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMPANY

/s/ George M. Bachman
George M. Bachman, Chief Financial Officer
(Duly Authorized Officer)

Date: March 20, 2009

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons, on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

/s/ John T. English Date: March 20, 2009

John T. English

Chairman of the Board, President, Chief Executive Officer, and

Director (Principal Executive Officer)

/s/ George M. Bachman Date: March 20, 2009

George M Bachman, Chief Financial Officer

(Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)

/s/ Ellen Terry Benoit Date: March 20, 2009

Ellen Terry Benoit, Director

/s/ Richard C. Hitchins Date: March 20, 2009

Richard C. Hitchins, Director

/s/ Dennis S. Hudson III Date: March 20, 2009

Dennis S. Hudson III, Director

/s/ Paul L. Maddock, Jr. Date: March 20, 2009

Paul L. Maddock, Jr., Director

/s/ Troy W. Maschmeyer, Jr. Date: March 20, 2009

Troy W. Maschmeyer, Jr., Director

Item Number

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10.28*	Physical Agreement between FPU and Inergy Propane, LLC dated as of February 18, 2009, relating to March and April 2009 purchases
10.29*	Physical Agreement between FPU and Inergy Propane, LLC dated as of February 18, 2009, relating to May 2009 through February 2010 purchases
10.34#	Summary of Annual Executive Officers' Incentive Plan
23	Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm - BDO Seidman, LLP
31.1	Certification of Principal Executive Officer (302)

This exhibit contains terms for which confidential treatment has been requested.

Certification of Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer (906)

Denotes management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement.

Certification of Principal Financial Officer (302)

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

[X] QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15 (d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended June 30, 2009

[] TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES
	EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from ______ to _____ to _____ Commission File Number: 001-10608

FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Florida

59-0539080

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

401 South Dixie Highway, West Palm Beach, Fl. 33401 (Address of principal executive offices)

(561) 832-0872

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes [X] No []

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to rule 405 of Regulation S-T during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files).

Yes [] No []

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer []	Accelerated filer []
Non-accelerated filer []	Smaller reporting company [X]

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(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes $[\]$ No [X]

On August 3, 2009, there were 6,140,592 shares of \$1.50 par value common stock outstanding.

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PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Financial Statements Item 1.

Average Shares Outstanding

Florida Public Utilities Company Condensed Consolidated Income Statements (Unaudited) (Dollars in thousands, except share data) Three Months Ended Six Months Ended June 30. June 30. 2008 2009 2008 2009 Revenues Natural gas \$12,480 \$18,973 \$32,191 \$41,110 Electric 19,526 18,214 41,559 35,737 2,968 7,005 9,559 4,189 Propane gas Total revenues 34.974 41,376 80,755 86,406 Cost of Fuel and Other Pass Through 21,633 29,351 52,295 60,263 Costs Gross Profit 13,341 12,025 28,460 26,143 Operating Expenses Operation and maintenance 7,770 7,913 17,641 14,894 Depreciation and amortization 2,294 2,206 4,459 4,659 812 1,690 1,637 Taxes other than income taxes 764 20,990 Total operating expenses 10,876 10,883 23,990 2,465 1,142 4,470 5,153 Operating Income Other Income and (Deductions) Merchandise and service revenue 598 1,256 534 1,359 Merchandise and service expenses (488)(591)(1,137)(1,215)Other income 170 300 133 307 Interest expense (1,123)(1,195)(2,269)(2.418)Total other deductions - net (880)(1,082)(1,740)(2,077)Earnings Before Income Taxes 3,076 1,585 60 2,730 Income Taxes (581)21(982)(1,045)Net Income 81 2.031 1,004 1,748 Preferred Stock Dividends 14 \$997 \$74 \$1,734 \$2,017 Earnings For Common Stock (Basic and Diluted): Earnings Per Common Share \$0.01 \$0.33 \$0.16 \$0.28 Dividends Declared Per Common Share \$0.1200 \$0.2375 \$0.2300 \$0.1175

Florida Public Utilities Company Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income (Unaudited) (Dollars in thousands)

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These financial statements should be read with the accompanying Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

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6,120,101

6,075,005

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	Three months ended June 30,		Six months ended June 30,	
	2009	2008	2009	2008
Net income	\$1,004	\$81	\$1,748	\$2,031
Other comprehensive gain:				
Pension and post-retirement costs	-	36	1,825	73
Income tax expense on other comprehensive gain		(14)	(687)	(28)
Comprehensive income, net of tax	\$1,004	\$103	\$2,886	\$2,076
These financial statements should be read with the accompanying Notes to Cond	ensed Consolidated Fir	nancial Statemen	ts.	

Florida Public Uti Condensed Consolidated Ba (Dollars in th	l <u>ance Sheets (Unaudite</u>	<u>d)</u>
	June 30, 2009	December 31, 2008
ASSETS		`
Utility Plant		
Utility Plant	\$215,018	\$210,628
Less Accumulated depreciation	71,080	68,303
Net utility plant	143,938	142,325
Current Assets		
Cash	2,084	2,997
Accounts receivable	11,422	13,973
Income taxes receivable	819	2,211
Allowance for uncollectible accounts	(559)	(455)
Unbilled receivables	2,042	2,041
Notes receivable	5,724	252
Inventories (at average unit cost)	3,352	3,961
Prepaid expenses	471	1,037
Under-recovery of fuel costs	1,387	756
Deferred income taxes-current	459	513
Other regulatory assets-environmental	456	456
Deferred charges-current	403	155
Special deposit – fuel contract	-	130
Total current assets	28,060	28,027
Other Assets		
Regulatory asset - environmental	6,396	6,636
Regulatory asset – retirement plan	2,824	9,945
Long-term receivables and other investments	15	5,619
Investments held for environmental costs	3,518	3,507
Deferred charges	3,964	6,409
Goodwill	2,405	2,405
Intangible assets (net)	3,891	4,058
Total other assets	23,013	38,579
Total Assets	\$195,011	\$208,931

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These financial statements should be read with the accompanying Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

Florida Public Utilities Company Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (Unaudited) (Dollars in thousands) June 30, December 31, 2009 2008 CAPITALIZATION AND LIABILITIES Capitalization Common shareholders' equity \$50,239 \$48,512 Preferred stock 600 600 Long-term debt 46,452 47,920 97,032 97,291 Total capitalization Current Liabilities Line of credit 12,747 Accounts payable 11,683 11,481 Long-term debt - current 1,409 1,409 Insurance accrued 180 265 1,081 Interest accrued 580 Other accruals and payables 3,241 3,308 Environmental Liability - current 774 2,125 1,902 Taxes accrued 2,514 Over-recovery of fuel costs and other 3,703 1,965 13,228 11,099 Customer deposits 38,730 45,964 Total current liabilities Other Liabilities Deferred income taxes 18,368 18,023 Environmental liability 10,949 12,655 2,418 Regulatory liability - storm reserve 2,479 Regulatory liability - other 11,011 11,387 Regulatory liabilities - retirement 13,438 19,352 Other liabilities 2,369 2,476 65,935 Total other liabilities 58,990 \$195,011 \$208,931 Total Capitalization and Liabilities

These financial statements should be read with the accompanying Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

Florida Public Utilities Company Consolidated Statements of Common Shareholder's Equity (Unaudited)

(Dollars in thousands, except for shares)

Common Stock
Shares Aggregate Paid-in Retained Treasury Shares Comprehensive Shareholders'

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1	Issued	Par Value	Capital	Earnings	Shares	Cost	Income (Loss)	Equity
Balances as of December 31, 2008	6,199,070	\$9,299	\$6,065	\$36,424	97,350	\$(1,725)	\$(1,551)	\$48,512
Net income				1,748				1,748
Dividends Other Comprehensive Income				(1,469)			1,138	(1,469) 1,138
Stock plans	18,043	27_	190		(5,226)	_ 93 _		310
Balances as of June 30, 2009	6,217,113	\$9,326	\$6,255	\$36,703	92,124	\$(1,632)	\$(413)	\$50,239
These financial statements	should be read	with the accon	panying No	otes to Condens	ed Consolidated	Financial St	atements.	

Florida Public Utilities Co	ompany	
Condensed Consolidated Statement of Ca	<u>ash Flows (Unaudit</u>	<u>ed)</u>
(Dollars in thousands)		
	Six Months	Fnded
	June 3	
	2009	2008
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Net cash provided by operating activities	\$17,701	\$5,452
Investing Activities		
Construction expenditures	(3,407)	(5,749)
Proceeds received on notes receivable	252	283
Other	(118)	92
Net cash used in investing activities	(3,273)	(5,374)
Financing Activities		
Net (decrease) increase in short-term borrowings	(12,747)	1,407
Repayment of long-term borrowings	(1,409)	(1,409)
Dividends paid	(1,432)	(1,345)
Other increases	247	283
Net cash used in provided by financing activities	(15,341)	(1,064)
Net decrease in cash	(913)	(986)
Cash at beginning of period	2,997	3,478
Cash at end of period	\$2,084	\$2,492
These financial statements should be read with the accompanying Notes to Conder	nsed Consolidated Financial Sta	atements.

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FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMPANY NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Unaudited) June 30, 2009

1. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the generally accepted accounting principles in the United States (GAAP) for interim financial information and with the instructions for Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by GAAP for complete financial statements. In the opinion of management, all adjustments necessary for fair presentation have been included. The operating results for the period are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the full year. For further information, refer to the audited consolidated financial statements and footnotes included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008.

2. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires the Company to make certain estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosure of any contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Significant estimates include allowances, accruals for pensions, environmental liabilities, liability reserves, regulatory deferred tax liabilities, unbilled revenue and over-earnings liability. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

3. Regulation

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 71 – "Accounting for the Effects of Certain Types of Regulation". SFAS No. 71 recognizes that accounting for rate-regulated enterprises should reflect the relationship of costs and revenues introduced by rate regulation. A regulated utility may defer recognition of a cost (a regulatory asset) or show recognition of an obligation (a regulatory liability) if it is probable that, through the ratemaking process, there will be a corresponding increase or decrease in revenues. The Company has recognized certain regulatory assets and liabilities in the condensed consolidated balance sheets.

As a result, Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC) regulation has a significant effect on the Company's results of operations. The FPSC approves rates that are intended to permit a specified rate of return on investment. Rate tariffs allow the flexibility of automatically passing through the cost of natural gas and electricity to customers. Increases in the operating expenses of the regulated segments may require a request for increases in the rates charged to customers.

The FPSC approved an annual electric final rate increase of approximately \$3.9 million effective May 22, 2008. Interim rates set to produce additional annual revenues of approximately \$800,000 were effective from November 2007 through May 22, 2008, the date our final rates went into effect.

The FPSC approved an annual natural gas final rate increase of approximately \$8.5 million effective June 4, 2009. Interim rates set to produce additional annual revenues of approximately \$1 million were effective March 12, 2009 until June 4, 2009, when final rate increase went into effect. On June 17, 2009 the Office of Public Counsel entered a protest to the FPSC natural gas final rate increase ruling and a full hearing is required within eight months. Previously approved final rates and the related revenues will be collected pending

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possible refund upon final determination at the full hearing. The vote for the final rates is scheduled for February 9, 2010.

At this time management does not estimate any adjustments to the final rate increase approved on May 5, 2009 and has not set up a liability for a possible rate refund as of June 30, 2009. Management will recognize a liability for a possible rate refund if we determine adjustments are probable. It is possible that the final rate increase awarded may be lower than was approved by the FPSC on May 5, 2009 and a refund may be required to our customers for any variance in the final rates approved at the full hearing compared to the previously approved rates on May 5, 2009. The impact of a refund of previously collected rates could be material to our results of operation.

4. Pledged Assets

Substantially all of the Company's utility plant and the shares of its wholly owned subsidiary, Flo-Gas Corporation, collateralize the Company's First Mortgage Bonds (long-term debt). Cash, accounts receivable and inventory are collateral for the line of credit.

5. Restriction on Dividends

The Company's Fifteenth Supplemental Indenture of Mortgage and Deed of Trust restricts the amount that is available for cash dividends. At June 30, 2009, approximately \$10.5 million of retained earnings were free of such restriction and available for the payment of dividends. The Company's line of credit agreement contains covenants that, if violated, could restrict or prevent the payment of dividends. The Company is not in violation of these covenants.

6. Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts

The Company records an allowance for uncollectible accounts based on historical information and current economic conditions. The following is a summary of bad debt activity for the second quarter as of June 30:

Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

(Dollars in thousands)

	<u>2009</u>	2008
Bad Debt Write-offs	\$196	\$200
Bad Debt Accrual Provision	\$179	\$164

7. Storm Reserves

As of June 30, 2009, the Company had a storm reserve of approximately \$1.7 million for the electric segment and approximately \$789,000 for the natural gas segment. The Company does not have a storm reserve for the propane gas segment.

8. Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets

The Company does not amortize goodwill or intangibles with indefinite lives. The Company periodically tests the applicable reporting segments, natural gas and propane gas, for impairment. In the event goodwill or intangible assets related to a segment are determined to be impaired, the Company would write down such assets to fair value. The impairment tests performed effective January 1, 2009 showed no impairment for either reporting segment.

Goodwill associated with the Company's acquisitions consists of \$550,000 in the natural gas segment and \$1.9 million in the propane gas segment. The summary of intangible assets at June 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008, is as follows:

Intangible Assets

(Dollars in thousands)

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		June 30,	December 31,
		2009	2008
Customer distribution rights	(Indefinite life)	\$ 2,800	\$ 2,800
Software	(Five to nine year life)	3,591	3,542
Accumulated amortization		(2,500)	(2,284)
Total intangible assets	s, net of amortization	\$ 3,891	\$ 4,058

The amortization expense of intangible assets was approximately \$109,000 and \$106,000 for the three months ended June 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively, and \$217,000 and \$210,000 for the six months ended June 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

9. Over-earnings

The FPSC approves rates that are intended to permit a specified rate of return on investment and limits the maximum amount of earnings of regulated operations. The Company has agreed with the FPSC staff to limit the earned return on equity for regulated natural gas and electric operations.

All over-earnings prior to 2007 have been settled. Management does not anticipate any electric or natural gas over-earnings for 2007, 2008 or 2009.

10. Environmental Contingencies

The Company is subject to federal and state legislation with respect to soil, groundwater and employee health and safety matters and to environmental regulations issued by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, the United States Environmental Protection Agency and other federal and state agencies. Except as discussed below, the Company does not expect to incur material future expenditures for compliance with existing environmental laws and regulations.

	(Dollars in thousands)	
Site	Range From	Range To
West Palm Beach	\$ 4,823	\$ 18,305
Sanford	410	410
Pensacola and Key West	119	119
Total	\$ 5,352	\$ 18,834

The Company currently has \$13.1 million recorded as our best estimate of the environmental liability. The FPSC approved up to \$14 million for total recovery from insurance and rates based on the original 2005 projections as a basis for rate recovery. The Company has recovered a total of \$6.2 million from insurance and rate recovery, net of costs incurred to date. The remaining balance of \$6.9 million is recorded as a regulatory asset. On October 18, 2004 the FPSC approved recovery of \$9.1 million for environmental liabilities. The amortization of this recovery and reduction to the regulatory asset began on January 1, 2005. The majority of environmental cash expenditures is expected to be incurred before 2012, but may continue for another nine years.

West Palm Beach Site

The Company is currently evaluating remedial options to respond to environmental impacts to soil and groundwater at and in the immediate vicinity of a parcel of property owned by us in West Palm Beach, Florida upon which we previously operated a gasification plant. Pursuant to a Consent Order between the Company and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection effective April 8, 1991, the Company completed the delineation of soil and groundwater impacts at the site. On June 30, 2008, the Company transmitted a revised feasibility study, evaluating appropriate remedies for the site, to the Florida

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Department of Environmental Protection. On April 30, 2009, FDEP issued a remedial action order which has since been withdrawn. In response to the order and as a condition to its withdrawal, the Company committed to perform additional field work in 2009 and complete an additional engineering evaluation of certain remedial alternatives. The total projected cost of this work is approximately \$450,000.

The feasibility study evaluated a wide range of remedial alternatives based on criteria provided by applicable laws and regulations. The total costs for the remedies evaluated in the feasibility study ranged from a low of \$2.8 million to a high of \$54.6 million. Based on the likely acceptability of proven remedial technologies described in the feasibility study and implemented at similar sites, management believes that consulting/remediation costs to address the impacts now characterized at the West Palm Beach site will range from \$4.4 million to \$17.9 million. This range of costs covers such remedies as in situ solidification for deeper soil impacts, excavation of surficial soil impacts, installation of a barrier wall with a permeable biotreatment zone, monitored natural attenuation of dissolved impacts in groundwater, or some combination of these remedies.

Negotiations between the Company and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection on a final remedy for the site continue. Prior to the conclusion of those negotiations, we are unable to determine, to a reasonable degree of certainty, the complete extent or cost of remedial action that may be required. As of June 30, 2009, and subject to the limitations described above, management believes the Company's remediation expenses, including attorneys' fees and costs, will range from approximately \$4.8 million to \$18.3 million for this site.

Sanford Site

The Company owns a parcel of property located in Sanford, Florida, upon which a gasification plant was operated prior to our acquisition of the property. On March 25, 1998, the Company executed an Administrative Order on Consent with the four former owners and operators (collectively, the "Group") and the United States Environmental Protection Agency that obligated the Group to implement a Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study and to pay the United States Environmental Protection Agency's past and future oversight costs. The Group also entered into a Participation Agreement and an Escrow Agreement on or about April 13, 1998. Work under the Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study Administrative Order on Consent and Participation Agreement and an Escrow Agreement is now complete and the Company has no further obligations under either document.

In 2008, a revised Consent Decree was signed by all Group members and the United States Environmental Protection Agency, providing for the implementation by the Group of the remedies the United States Environmental Protection Agency approved earlier for the site, which are set forth in the Records of Decision for Operable Units 1-3, and for the payment of the United States Environmental Protection Agency's past and future oversight costs. The Consent Decree was entered by the Federal Court in Orlando and became effective on January 15, 2009; the parties to the Consent Decree are now obligated to implement the remedy approved by United States Environmental Protection Agency for the site.

In January 2007, the Company and other members of the Group signed a Third Participation Agreement, which provides for funding the remediation work specified in the Records of Decision for Operable Units 1-3 and supersedes and replaces the Second Participation Agreement. The Company's share of remediation costs under the Third Participation Agreement is set at 5% of a maximum of \$13 million, or \$650,000. To date, the Company has contributed \$300,000 of its total share of remediation costs under the Third Participation Agreement. It is currently anticipated that the total cost of the final remedy will exceed \$13

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million. The Company has advised the other members of the Group that we are unwilling at this time to agree to pay any sum in excess of the \$650,000 committed by us in the Third Participation Agreement.

Several members of the Group recently concluded negotiations with two adjacent property owners to resolve damages that the property owners allege that they have/will incur as a result of the implementation of the Environmental Protection Agency approved remedy. In settlement of these claims, members of the Group (excluding the Company) have agreed to pay specified sums of money to the parties. In one case, the settlement agreement requires the select members of the Group to purchase the third party's property for approximately \$2 million; the third party then has an option to buy back the property after completion of the remedy for approximately the same amount. In the other case, the select members agreed to a lump sum payment of \$450,000. The Company has refused to participate in the funding of the third party settlement agreements based on the contention that it did not contribute to the release of hazardous substances at the site giving rise to the third party claims.

As of June 30, 2009, the Company's remaining share of remediation expenses, including the Company's attorneys' fees and costs, are projected to be approximately \$410,000 for this site. However, at this time, we are unable to determine, to a reasonable degree of certainty, whether the other members of the Group will accept the Company's asserted defense to liability for costs exceeding \$13 million to implement the final remedy for the site or will pursue a claim against the Company for a sum in excess of the \$650,000 that the Company has committed to fund the remedy.

Pensacola Site

The Company is the prior owner/operator of the former Pensacola gasification plant, located at the intersection of Cervantes Street and the Louisville and Nashville (CSX) Railroad line, Pensacola, Florida. Following notification on October 5, 1990, that the Florida Department of Environmental Protection had determined that the Company was one of several responsible parties for any environmental impacts associated with the former gasification plant site, the Company entered into cost sharing agreements with three other responsible parties providing for the funding of certain contamination assessment activities at the site.

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Following field investigations performed on behalf of the responsible parties, on July 16, 1997, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection approved a final remedy for the site that provides for annual sampling of selected monitoring wells. Such annual sampling has been undertaken at the site since 1998. The Company's share of these costs is less than \$2,000 annually.

In March 1999, the United States Environmental Protection Agency requested site access in order to undertake an Expanded Site Inspection. The Expanded Site Inspection was completed by the United States Environmental Protection Agency's contractor in 1999 and an Expanded Site Inspection Report was transmitted to the Company in January 2000. The Expanded Site Inspection Report recommends additional work at the site. The responsible parties met with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection on February 7, 2000 to discuss the United States Environmental Protection Agency's plans for the site. In February 2000, the United States Environmental Protection Agency indicated preliminarily that it will defer management of the site to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection; as of July 31, 2008, the Company has not received any written confirmation from the United States Environmental Protection Agency or the Florida Department of Environmental Protection regarding this matter. Prior to receipt of the United States Environmental Protection Agency's written determination regarding site management, we are unable to determine whether additional field work or site remediation will be required by the United States Environmental Protection Agency and, if so, the scope or costs of such work.

As of June 30, 2009, the Company's share of remediation expenses for the site, including attorney's fees and costs, are projected to be approximately \$26,000.

Key West Site

Between 1927 and 1938, the Company owned and operated a gasification plant on Catherine Street, in Key West, Florida. The plant discontinued operations in the late 1940s; the property on which the plant was located is currently used for a propane gas distribution business. In March 1993, a Preliminary Contamination Assessment Report was prepared by a consultant jointly retained by the Company and the current site owner and was delivered to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection. The Preliminary Contamination Assessment Report reported that very limited soil and groundwater impacts were present at the site. By letter dated December 20, 1993, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection notified the Company that the site did not warrant further "CERCLA consideration and a Site Evaluation Accomplished disposition is recommended." the Florida Department of Environmental Protection then referred the matter to its Marathon office for consideration of whether additional work would be required by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection's district office under Florida law. As of June 30, 2009, the Company has received no further communication from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection with respect to the site. At this time, we are unable to determine whether additional field work will be required by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and, if so, the scope or costs of such work. In 1999, the Company received an estimate from its consultant that additional costs to assess and remediate the reported impacts would be approximately \$166,000. As of June 30, 2009 and assuming the current owner shared in such costs according to the allocation agreed upon by the parties for the Preliminary Contamination Assessment Report, the Company's share of remediation expenses, including attorneys' fees and costs, is projected to be \$93,000 for this site.

11. Other Contingencies

On May 8, 2009, a putative class action lawsuit purportedly on behalf of the shareholders of FPU, challenging the merger was filed in Palm Beach County, Florida, against FPU, each member of FPU's board of directors and Chesapeake. The complaint alleges, among other

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things, that the approval of the proposed merger by the directors of FPU constituted a breach of their fiduciary duties. The suit seeks to enjoin completion of the merger. While the Company and its directors believe that the allegations in the lawsuit are without merit and intend to defend vigorously against these allegations, no assurance can be given as to the outcome of this lawsuit, including the costs associated with defending this claim, or any other liabilities or costs the parties may incur in connection with the litigation or settlement of this claim.

The Company has been issued a notice of alleged violation of certain reliability standards by the Florida Reliability Coordinating Council (FRCC). The FRCC is a not-for-profit company established as a regional entity with delegated authority from the North American Electric Reliability Corporation whose purpose is to propose and enforce reliability standards to enhance reliability and adequacy of bulk electricity supply. Enforcement of these standards began in July of 2009 and the Company received notice that it had been in violation of four of these reliability standards. The Company has agreed to enter into settlement negotiations with the FRCC to address these alleged violations. At this time management is unable to estimate the amount of any penalties that may arise from this matter.

12. Employee Benefit Plans

The Company sponsors a qualified defined benefit pension plan for employees hired before January 1, 2005. Employees hired after January 1, 2005 and employees who elected to transfer out of the defined benefit pension plan are not eligible for the defined benefit pension plan and are in a 401k match plan. The Company also sponsors a post-retirement medical plan.

In March 2009, the Company's Board of Directors authorized amendments to the pension plan in an effort to reduce anticipated future pension expenses. As a result of these amendments, the Company will freeze the pension plan for all participants effective December 31, 2009. The freeze will include freezing salary rates at 2009 average compensation levels as of December 31, 2009 and only allowing two additional service years to be earned by active participants with less than 35 years of service. In addition to the freeze, the reduced early retirement eligibility will be lowered from 30 years to 20 years.

The two additional service years will incur service costs of approximately \$650,000 in each of the next two years. Beyond December 31, 2011, active participants will continue to accrue service years only for the purposes of vesting and retirement eligibility.

As a result of the pension freeze, employees currently in the pension plan will be eligible to receive matching contributions in the company's 401k Plan effective January 1, 2010. Contribution expense is forecasted to increase approximately \$580,000 as a result of this option. The amendments to the plan have been accounted for in accordance with SFAS No. 88, Employers' Accounting for Settlements and Curtailments of Defined Benefit Pension Plans and for Termination Benefits, resulting in the recognition of approximately \$2.7 million in non-cash pre-tax curtailment loss of which \$2.3 million is reflected in expenses and \$400,000 is reflected on the balance sheet in the Company's consolidated financial statements.

The following table provides the components of the net periodic benefit cost for our pension plan and post-retirement benefit plan for the six months ended June 30, 2009 and 2008.

FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMPANY

Net Periodic Benefit Costs
(Dollars in thousands)

	Three Months June 30		Six Months Ended June 30,		
	2009	2008	2009	2008	
Pension Plan:					
Service Cost	\$173	\$249	\$430	\$522	
Interest Cost	638	712	1,332	1,354	
Expected Return on Plan Assets	(676)	(653)	(1,310)	(1,301)	
Amortization of Prior Service Cost		176	179	360	
Actuarial Net (Gain) or Loss	-	-	54	-	
Total FAS87 Net Periodic Pension Cost	135	484	685	935	
Curtailment Cost		-	2,722	Δ■	
Net Periodic Pension Cost	\$135	\$484	\$3,407	\$935	
Postretirement Benefit Plan:					
Service Cost	15	14	28	28	
Interest Cost	29	34	55	59	
Amortization of Transition Obligation	11	11	22	22	
Amortization of Net (Gain) or Loss	(12)	1	(25)	(12)	
Net Periodic Postretirement Benefit Cost	\$43	\$60	\$80	\$97	

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For additional information related to our employee benefit plans, please see Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in the Company's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008.

FASB issued Statement No. 158, "Employers' Accounting for Defined Benefit Pension and Other Postretirement Plans" that requires the Company to show the funded status of its pension and retiree health care plan as a prepaid asset or accrued liability, and to show the net deferred and unrecognized gains and losses related to the retirement plans, net of tax, as part of accumulated other comprehensive income or loss (AOCI) in shareholders' equity. The cumulative impact to other comprehensive income is a loss of approximately \$413,000 which includes deferred tax expense of \$249,000 at June 30, 2009 compared to a gain of approximately \$133,000 which included deferred tax expense of \$80,000 for June 30, 2008. Previously, the net deferred and unrecognized gains and losses were included in the prepaid asset or accrued liability recorded for the retirement plans.

13. Impact of Recent Accounting Standards Financial Accounting Standard No. 161

In March 2008, the FASB issued Statement No. 161, "Disclosures about Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities – an amendment of FASB Statement No. 133." This standard requires enhanced disclosures about an entity's derivative and hedging activities and thereby improves the transparency of financial reporting. This statement is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years and interim periods beginning after November 15, 2008. The Company adopted SFAS No. 161 effective January 1, 2009. The adoption of SFAS No. 161 did not have an impact on the Company's disclosures.

FASB Staff Position, FAS No. 142-3

In April 2008, the FASB issued FASB Staff Position, or "FSP", FAS 142-3, "Determination of the Useful Life of Intangible Assets," effective for financial statements issued for fiscal year beginning after December 15, 2008, and interim periods within those fiscal years. This FSP amends the factors that should be considered in developing renewal or extension assumptions used to determine the useful life of a recognized intangible asset under SFAS No. 142 "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets," thereby resulting in improved consistency between the useful life applied under SFAS No. 142, and the period of expected cash flows used to measure the fair value of the asset under SFAS No. 141R, "Business Combinations." We adopted FSP FAS 142-3 effective January 1, 2009. The adoption of FSP, FAS No. 142-3 did not have a material effect on our results of operations or financial position.

Financial Accounting Standard No. 162

In May 2008, the FASB issued Statement No. 162, "The Hierarchy of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles". This standard offers guidance on the principles used to prepare financial statements in accordance with GAAP. FASB Statements of Financial Accounting Concepts now supersede industry practice. The adoption of this standard did not have an effect on our financial position or results of operation.

FSP 132(R)-1, "Employers' Disclosure about Postretirement Benefit Plan Assets."

In December 2008, the FASB issued FSP FAS 132(R)-1, "Employers' Disclosures about Postretirement Benefit Plan Assets" (FSP FAS 132 (R)-1). FSP FAS 132 (R)-1 amends FASB Statement No. 132 (revised 2003), "Employers' Disclosures about Pensions and Other Postretirement Benefits," to provide guidance on an employer's disclosures about plan assets of a defined benefit pension or other postretirement plan. FSP FAS 132 (R)-1 is effective for fiscal years ending after December 15, 2009. The Company has made the required disclosures.

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FSP FAS 107-1 and APB 28-1, "Interim Disclosures about Fair Value of Financial Instruments."

In April 2009, the FASB issued FSP FAS 107-1 and APB 28-1, Interim Disclosures about Fair Values of Financial Instruments. It requires the fair value for all financial instruments within the scope of SFAS No. 107, Disclosures about Fair Value of Financial Instruments (SFAS No. 107), to be disclosed in the interim periods as well as in annual financial statements. This standard is effective for the quarter ending after June 15, 2009. The adoption of this standard did not have an effect on our financial position or results of operation. The Company has made the required disclosures.

FSP No. 157-4, "Determining Fair Value When the Volume and Level of Activity for the Asset or Liability Have Significantly Decreased and Identifying Transactions That Are Not Orderly"

In April 2009, the FASB issued FSP No. 157-4, Determining Fair Value When the Volume and Level of Activity for the Asset or Liability Have Significantly Decreased and Identifying Transactions That Are Not Orderly, or FSP 157-4. FSP 157-4 provides additional authoritative guidance to assist both issuers and users of financial statements in determining whether a market is active or inactive, and whether a transaction is distressed. The FSP was effective for us for the quarter ending June 30, 2009. This statement did not have any effect on our financial position or results of operations.

FSP SFAS 141(R)-1, "Accounting for Assets Acquired and Liabilities Assumed in a Business Combination That Arise from Contingencies"

In April 2009, FASB issued FSP SFAS 141(R)-1, Accounting for Assets Acquired and Liabilities Assumed in a Business Combination That Arise from Contingencies, to amend the provisions related to the initial recognition and measurement, subsequent measurement and disclosure of assets and liabilities arising from contingencies in a business combination under SFAS 141(R). Under the new guidance, assets acquired and liabilities assumed in a business combination that arise from contingencies should be recognized at fair value on the acquisition date if fair value can be determined during the measurement period. If fair value cannot be determined, companies should typically account for the acquired contingencies using existing guidance. The FSP was effective for us for the quarter ending June 30, 2009. This statement did not have any effect on our financial position or results of operations.

SFAS 168, "The FASB Accounting Standards Codification and the Hierarchy of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles"

In July 2009, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 168, "The FASB Accounting Standards Codification and the Hierarchy of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles" (SFAS. 168). Statement No. 168 supersedes Statement No. 162 issued in May 2008. Statement No. 168 will become the source of authoritative U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) recognized by the FASB to be applied by nongovernmental entities. Rules and interpretive releases of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) under authority of federal securities laws are also sources of authoritative GAAP for SEC registrants. On the effective date of this Statement, the Codification will supersede all then-existing non-SEC accounting and reporting standards. All other nongrandfathered non-SEC accounting literature not included in the Codification will become non-authoritative. This Statement is effective for financial statements issued for interim and annual periods ending after September 15, 2009. Adoption of this statement is not expected to have an impact on our financial statements.

14. Fair Value of Financial Instruments

In September 2006, the FASB issued SFAS No. 157, "Fair Value Measurements" (SFAS 157), which defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in GAAP, and

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expands disclosures about fair value measurements. SFAS 157 does not require any new fair value measurements, but provides guidance on how to measure fair value by providing a fair value hierarchy used to classify the source of the information. In February 2008, the FASB deferred the effective date of SFAS 157 by one year for certain non-financial assets and non-financial liabilities, except those that are recognized or disclosed at fair value in the financial statements on a recurring basis (at least annually). On January 1, 2008, we adopted the provisions of SFAS 157, except as it applied to those non-financial assets and non-financial liabilities for which the effective date has been delayed by one year. On January 1, 2009, we adopted the provisions of SFAS 157 for non-financial assets and non-financial liabilities. The adoption of SFAS 157 did not have a material effect on our financial position or results of operations.

The carrying amounts reported in the balance sheet for investments held in escrow for environmental costs, notes payable, taxes accrued and other accrued liabilities approximate fair value. The fair value of long-term debt excluding the unamortized debt discount is estimated by discounting the future cash flows of each issuance at rates currently offered to the Company for similar debt instruments of comparable maturities. The indentures governing our two first mortgage bond series outstanding contain "make-whole" provisions (pre-payment penalties that charge for lost interest). The values at June 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008 are shown below.

(Dollars in thousands)	June	e 30, 2009	December 31, 2008				
	Carrying Amounts	Approximate Fair Value	Carrying Amounts	Approximate Fair Value			
Long-term debt	\$49,45	7 \$53,201	\$50.966	\$ 56,600			

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On January 1, 2008, we adopted the provisions of SFAS No. 159 "The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities — including an amendment of FASB Statement No. 115" (SFAS 159). SFAS 159 provides companies with an option to report selected financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value. Unrealized gains and losses on items for which the fair value option has been elected are reported in earnings at each subsequent reporting date. The fair value option: (i) may be applied instrument by instrument, with a few exceptions, such as investments accounted for by the equity method; (ii) is irrevocable (unless a new election date occurs); and (iii) is applied only to entire instruments and not to portions of instruments. We did not elect to record any additional assets or liabilities at fair value.

15. Segment Information

The Company is organized into two regulated business segments: natural gas and electric, and one non-regulated business segment, propane gas. There are no material inter-segment sales or transfers.

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Identifiable assets are those assets used in the Company's operations in each business segment. Common assets are principally cash and overnight investments, deferred tax assets and common plant.

Business segment information at June 30, 2009, and December 31, 2008 is summarized as follows:

(Dollars in thousands)	 2009	2008		
Identifiable assets				
Natural gas	\$ 98,076	\$	101,920	
Electric	59,047		58,220	
Propane gas	17,197		18,534	
Common	 20,691		30,257	
Consolidated	\$ 195,011	\$_	208,931	

Business segment information for the quarter ending and six months ending June 30, 2009, and June 30, 2008 are summarized as follows:

		Three Months Ended June 30,			Six Months Ended June 30,			
(Dollars in thousands)	_	2009		2008		2009		2008
Revenues	_				_		_	
Natural gas	\$	12,480	\$	18,973	\$	32,191	\$	41,110
Electric		19,526		18,214		41,559		35,737
Propane gas	_	2,968		4,189	_	7,005	_	9,559
Consolidated	\$_	34,974	\$_	41,376	\$_	80,755	\$_	86,406
Operating income, excluding income tax			_				_	
Natural gas	\$	1,483	\$	225	\$	3,182	\$	2,617
Electric		885		866		899		1,601
Propane gas	_	97	_	51	_	389	_	935
Consolidated	\$_	2,465	\$_	1,142	\$_	4,470	_	5,153
Depreciation and amortization							_	
Natural gas	\$	1,174	\$	1,129	\$	2,427	\$	2,317
Electric		824		796		1,640		1,583
Propane gas		209		203		419		404
Common	_	87	_	78	_	173	_	155
Consolidated	\$_	2,294	\$ _	2,206	\$ _	4,659	\$ _	4,459
Income tax expense (benefit)								
Natural gas	\$	290	\$	(172)	\$	584	\$	407
Electric		193		171		118		313
Propane gas		23		(46)		111		230
Common	10		_	26	_	169		95
Consolidated	\$_	581	\$ _	(21)	\$ _	982	\$ _	1,045
Construction expenditures								
Natural gas	\$	740	\$	1,599	\$	1,883	\$	2,854
Electric		472		839		1,124		2,331
Propane gas		140		280		271		466
Common	_	74	_	62	_	129		98
Consolidated	\$_	1,426	\$ =	2,780	\$ _	3,407	\$ =	5,749

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16. Merger

On April 20, 2009, FPU and Chesapeake Utilities Corporation (Chesapeake) announced a definitive merger agreement, pursuant to which FPU will merge with a wholly-owned subsidiary of Chesapeake with FPU being the surviving corporation and operating as a wholly-owned subsidiary of Chesapeake after the merger. The merger was unanimously approved by the board of directors of each company on April 17, 2009. Under the merger agreement, holders of FPU common stock will receive 0.405 shares of Chesapeake's common stock in exchange for each outstanding share of FPU.

The merger agreement contains certain termination rights for Chesapeake and FPU, including the right to terminate the merger agreement if the merger is not completed by January 31, 2010 (subject to possible extension to March 31, 2010, under specified circumstances). The merger agreement further provides that, upon termination of the merger agreement under certain circumstances involving a third-party takeover proposal of FPU or a change in the FPU board of directors' recommendation of the merger, FPU would be required, subject to certain conditions, to pay Chesapeake a termination fee of \$3.4 million.

The merger is intended to qualify as a tax-free reorganization and is subject to various regulatory approvals as well as approval by the shareholders of both companies. The statutory waiting period for the Hart-Scott-Rodino Act expired on June 4, 2009, without comment from the Antitrust Division of the United States Department of Justice or the Federal Trade Commission, thus allowing the companies to continue with the merger. The expiration of the waiting period does not, however, preclude the Department of Justice or the Federal Trade Commission from challenging the merger on antitrust grounds. Chesapeake has also received all of the necessary regulatory approvals from the Delaware, Maryland and Florida Public Service Commissions for the merger. Special shareholder meetings for Chesapeake and FPU to vote on the merger-related matters have not been scheduled. On July 24, 2009, a Form S-4 registration statement with joint proxy relating to the proposed merger was filed by Chesapeake and the Company with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The parties are working to finalize that document in anticipation of setting the meeting dates for the shareholder meetings.

The Company's management believes that the merger will close in the fourth quarter of 2009. The Company expects to incur significant pre-merger related costs associated with the pending merger between Chesapeake and FPU. These costs include legal services, investment banking services, and other pre-merger related items. At this time management anticipates additional costs to be incurred in the third and fourth quarter, 2009, of approximately \$1.6 million.

17. Income Taxes

In December 2008 the Company filed for a quick refund of overpayment on estimated tax payments for the 2008 tax year in the amount of \$1.5 million. The Company received the Federal income tax refund of \$1.5 million in May 2009. The primary reason for the refund is due to our planned pension contribution of \$4.6 million for plan year 2008, which we plan to make in September, 2009. This pension contribution is a deduction for tax purposes in the 2008 calendar year. It was not known at the time the estimated tax payments were paid that FPU would make this contribution during 2008.

As noted above, in the second quarter of 2009, FPU and Chesapeake announced execution of a definitive merger agreement. This pending transaction is structured as a reorganization under Section 368(a)(1)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code. The Company assessed the income tax effect of merger-related transaction costs based on circumstances that existed as of the date costs were incurred, without assuming the merger will ultimately occur, and recorded a

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deferred tax asset related to merger-related transaction costs. The Company may be required to reassess the income tax effect of merger-related transaction costs in the future depending on the status of the pending merger. The Company has incurred total merger related costs of approximately \$540,000 through June 30, 2009. A deferred tax asset of \$140,000 was recorded as of June 30, 2009 relating to \$372,000 of the merger related transaction costs.

18. Reclassification

Certain amounts in the 2008 financial statements have been reclassified to conform to the 2009 presentation.

Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

Overview

We have three primary business segments: natural gas, electric and propane gas. The Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC) regulates the natural gas and electric segments. The effects of seasonal weather conditions, timing of rate increases, economic conditions, fluctuations in demand due to the cost of fuel passed on to customers, and the migration of winter residents and tourists to Florida during the winter season have a significant impact on income.

Revenues decreased in the first six months of 2009 compared to 2008 due to lower cost of natural and propane gas costs which are passed through to our customers. Although revenues decreased, gross profit increased in the year to date ending June 30, 2009 compared to the same period in the prior year due in a large part to the base rate increases in our electric and natural gas operations and colder winter temperatures.

Earnings for the first half of 2009 were significantly adversely impacted by the pension plan freeze. The pension curtailment loss recognized in the first half of 2009 as a result of the freeze was approximately \$2.3 million. The impact to net income is approximately \$1.4 million after income taxes or \$.23 per share for the year to date ending June 30, 2009.

Earnings continue to be affected by the overall economic slow-down. Management expects current conditions to continue through 2009 with an ongoing decrease in our customer growth rates, unit sales and sales expense. Management continues to look for new ways to help offset the negative impacts of the current economic condition.

Early in the second quarter, we entered into a merger agreement with Chesapeake Utilities Corporation. See Note 16, "Merger" above.

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Results of Operations

Revenues and Gross Profit Summary

The FPSC allows us to bill and include in our revenue the costs of fuel, conservation, and revenue-based taxes, incurred in our natural gas and electric segments. Revenues collected for these expenses have no effect on results of operations and fluctuations could distort the relationship of revenues between periods. Gross profit is defined as gross operating revenues less fuel, conservation and revenue-based taxes that are passed directly through to customers. Because gross profit eliminates these cost recovery revenues, we believe it provides a more meaningful basis for evaluating utility revenues. We believe data regarding units sold and number of customers provides additional information helpful in comparing periods. The following summary compares gross profit between periods and units sold in one thousand Dekatherm (MDth) (gas) and Megawatt Hour (MWH) (electric).

Revenues and Gross Profit						
	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended			
(Dollars and units in thousands)	June 30,		June 30,			
	2009	2008	2009	2008		
Natural Gas						
Revenues	\$12,480	\$18,973	\$32,191	\$41,110		
Cost of fuel and other pass through costs	5,225	12,846	16,288	26,928		
Gross Profit	\$ 7,255	\$ 6,127	\$15,903	\$14,182		
Units sold: (MDth)	1,388	1,318	3,352	3,179		
Customers (average for the period)	52,076	52,130	52,087	52,148		
Electric						
Revenues	\$19,526	\$18,214	\$41,559	\$35,737		
Cost of fuel and other pass through costs	15,083	13,994	32,798	27,853		
Gross Profit	\$ 4,443	\$ 4,220	\$8,761	\$7,884		
Units sold: (MWH)	178,043	188,421	343,288	361,697		
Customers (average for the period)	31,096	31,294	31,103	31,258		
Propane Gas						
Revenues	\$ 2,968	\$ 4,189	\$7,005	\$9,559		
Cost of fuel	1,325	2,511	3,209	5,482		
Gross Profit	\$ 1,643	\$ 1,678	\$ 3,796	\$ 4,077		
Units sold: (MDth)	120	128	285	298		
Customers (average for the period)	12,288	12,536	12,332	12,602		
Consolidated						
Revenues	\$34,974	\$41,376	\$80,755	\$86,406		
Cost of fuel	21,633	29,351	52,295	60,263		
Gross Profit	\$13,341	\$12,025	\$28,460	\$26,143		
Customers (average for the period)	95,460	95,960	95,522	96,008		

Three Months Ended June 30, 2009 Compared with Three Months Ended June 30, 2008.

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Revenues and Gross Profit

Natural Gas

Natural gas service revenues decreased \$6.5 million, or 34%, in the second quarter of 2009 from the same period in 2008 due to declines in fuel costs passed through to customers of \$7.6 million.

Gross profit increased \$1.1 million, or 18% primarily as a result of base rate increases in the second quarter of 2009. The FPSC approved an annual natural gas final rate increase of approximately \$8.5 million effective June 4, 2009. Interim rates set to produce additional annual revenues of approximately \$1 million were effective March 12, 2009 until June 4, 2009, the date our final rates went into effect.

Customer growth remained relatively flat; however, units sold increased by 5% primarily due to colder temperatures in our South Florida division this year compared to the same period last year.

Electric

Electric revenues increased \$1.3 million in the second quarter of 2009 over the same period in 2008. Higher cost of fuel and other costs that were passed through to customers accounted for \$1.1 million of this increase.

Gross profit this quarter increased by \$223,000 or 5% compared to the second quarter of 2008 primarily due to the final base rate increase effective May 22, 2008. Other factors impacting gross profit were a 1% decrease in customer growth and a 2% decrease in usage per customer, excluding two large industrial customers. Management believes the decrease in usage per customer relates to conservation measures taken by our customers.

Propane Gas

Propane revenues decreased by \$1.2 million in the second quarter of 2009 compared to the same period in 2008 as a result of decreases in the cost of gas sold and related revenues.

The \$35,000 decrease in gross profit was impacted by a 2% decrease in customers, a 6% decrease in units sold, lower profit margins on commercial bulk accounts, and possible conservation measures taken by our customers. The difference between the periods was partially offset by a \$108,000 inventory loss adjustment in June of the prior year.

Operating Expenses

Operating expenses remained flat in the second quarter of 2009 compared to the same period in 2008. Primarily as a result of the pension freeze in the first quarter, administrative and general expenses decreased by approximately \$200,000 compared to the prior year. Additionally, merger related administrative and general expenses were \$540,000 in 2009 which were almost the same as the initial merger negotiations' costs of approximately \$500,000 incurred in 2008.

Maintenance expenses increased \$126,000 primarily in our electric segment as a result of several severe storms along with storm hardening initiatives mandated by the FPSC.

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Other Income and Deductions

Merchandise and service revenues increased by \$64,000 and related expense decreased by \$103,000 in the second quarter of 2009 compared to the same period last year. Profits increased \$167,000 due to increased sales as a result of a successful marketing coupon program.

Total interest expense decreased \$72,000 in the second quarter primarily due to a decrease in our line of credit balance as a result of increased cash flow from operations. In addition, the interest rate on our line of credit, tied to the London Interbank Rate (LIBOR), was lower this period, compared to the same period last year.

Six Months Ended June 30, 2009 Compared with Six Months Ended June 30, 2008.

Revenue and Gross Profit

Natural Gas

Natural gas service revenues decreased \$8.9 million in the six months ended June 2009 from the same period in 2008. This was primarily caused by \$10.6 million in lower fuel and other costs passed through to customers.

Gross profit increased by \$1.7 million, or 12% this period compared to the first six months of 2008. In addition to the rate increases, colder temperatures in 2009 contributed to a 5.4% increase in units sold over the same period in 2008.

Electric

Electric service revenues increased \$5.8 million in the first six months of 2009 over the same period in 2008. Higher cost of fuel and other costs passed through to customers accounted for \$4.9 million of this increase.

Gross profit increased by \$877,000 or 11% over this period compared to the first six months of 2008. This was primarily due to the higher final rates approved April 2008, compared to interim rates in effect in the first quarter of 2008. Units sold, excluding industrial customers, decreased by 3%. Management believes this decrease is a result of conservation measures taken by our customers. Gross profit was not materially impacted by the reduced consumption, as lower consumption was forecasted in our electric rate increase. Rates were set to compensate for the anticipated reduction in units sold due to higher fuel costs.

Propane Gas

Propane revenues decreased \$2.6 million in the first six months of 2009 compared to the same period in 2008. The lower cost of fuel passed through revenues contributed to \$2.3 million of the revenue decrease, with gross profit decreasing by \$281,000 due to lower unit sales.

Units sold declined by 4% in spite of colder temperatures. Management believes this is a result of the downturn in the housing market and the economy as a whole. When compared to the prior year, the decrease in gross profit was partially offset by an inventory loss adjustment of \$108,000 in June 2008.

Operating Expenses

Operating expenses increased \$3.0 million in the six months ended June 30, 2009 compared to the same period in 2008. The March 2009 pension plan freeze significantly increased our operating expenses in the first half of 2009. The non-recurring related curtailment costs associated with our pension plan freeze increased operating expenses by approximately \$2.2 million. In addition to the pension curtailment costs, merger related administrative and general expenses were \$540,000 in 2009 which were almost the same as the initial merger

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negotiations' costs of approximately \$500,000 incurred in 2008.

As we continue to be impacted by the declining economy, bad debt expenses increased \$123,000. A large part of the increase was due to the bankruptcy of a commercial customer in our electric segment.

Maintenance expenses increased \$255,000 primarily in our electric segment as a result of several severe storms and storm hardening initiatives recently mandated by the FPSC.

Other Income and Deductions

Merchandise and service revenues increased \$103,000 and expense decreased \$78,000 in the six months ended June 30, 2009 compared to the same period in 2008 resulting in increased profitability of \$181,000. This is largely due to increased sales experienced through a successful marketing coupon program.

Total interest expense decreased by \$149,000 in the six months ended June 30, 2009 compared to the same period last year. This was primarily due to a lower average balance on our line of credit as a result of increased cash flow from operations. In addition, the interest rate on our line of credit, tied to the LIBOR, was lower this period, compared to the same period last year. Our line of credit was also amended in March 2008, lowering the interest rate margin paid on borrowings by 0.10% or 10 basis points.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Cash Flows

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Operating Activities

Net cash flow provided by operating activities for the six months ended June 30, 2009 increased by approximately \$12.2 million over the same period in 2008. Base rate increases in our electric and natural gas segments, colder temperatures and reduced capital expenditures contributed significantly to this increase. Over-recovered fuel costs collected this year also added approximately \$2.5 million in cash flow.

The Company received a Federal income tax refund of \$1.5 million in May 2009. The primary reason for the refund is due to our planned pension contribution of \$4.6 million for plan year 2008, which we plan to make in September, 2009. This pension contribution is a deduction for tax purposes in the 2008 calendar year. It was not known at the time the estimated tax payments were paid that FPU would make this contribution.

Investing Activities

Construction expenditures in the six months ended June 30, 2009 decreased by \$2.34 million compared with the same period last year. The decrease was primarily due to discretionary capital expenditures controls instituted by the company as a result of increased pension costs and contributions, and covenant violation concerns before the pension freeze.

Financing Activities

Short-term borrowing on our line of credit decreased by \$14.2 million in the first half of 2009 compared to the same period in 2008. This was primarily a result of the increase in funds provided from our operations and lower capital expenditures.

Capital Resources

We have a revolving line of credit with Bank of America which expires July 1, 2010. In March 2008, we amended our line of credit to allow us, upon 30 days notice, to increase our maximum credit line to \$26 million. The amendment also reduced the interest rate paid on borrowings by 0.10% or 10 basis points. In April 2008, we increased the available line of credit from \$12 million to \$15 million. There were no borrowings on the line of credit at June 30, 2009. We reserve \$1 million of the line of credit to cover potential expenses for any major storm repairs in our electric segment and an additional \$250,000 for a letter of credit insuring propane gas facilities.

The line of credit contains affirmative and negative covenants that, if violated, would give the bank the right to accelerate the due date of the loan to be immediately payable. The line of credit covenants with Bank of America include certain financial ratios, all of which are currently met. Management expects to continue to meet these covenants for the foreseeable future.

The line of credit, long-term debt and preferred stock as of June 30, 2009 comprised 49% of total debt and equity capitalization.

Historically we have periodically paid off short-term borrowings under lines of credit using the net proceeds from the sale of long-term debt or equity securities. The timing of additional funding will be dependent on projected environmental expenditures, building of the South Florida operations facility, pension contributions, and other capital expenditures.

Any choice of financing will be predicated on the current needs and dependent on prevailing market conditions, the impact to our financial covenants and the effect on income.

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Our 1942 Indenture of Mortgage and Deed of Trust, which is a mortgage on all real and personal property, permits the issuance of additional bonds based upon a calculation of unencumbered net real and personal property. At June 30, 2009, such calculation would permit the issuance of approximately \$52.6 million of additional bonds.

On October 14, 2008 we received approval from the FPSC to issue and sell or exchange an additional amount of \$45 million in any combination of long-term debt, short-term notes and equity securities and/or to assume liabilities or obligations as guarantor, endorser or surety during calendar year 2009.

We have \$3.5 million in invested funds for payment of future environmental costs. We expect to use some or all of these funds in 2010 and 2011.

As of June 30, 2009 there was approximately \$5.7 million in receivables from the 2003 sale of our water assets. Final payment of principal and interest totaling \$5.7 million is expected in February 2010.

Capital Requirements

Portions of our business are seasonal and dependent upon weather conditions in Florida. This factor affects the sale of electricity and gas and impacts the cash provided by operations. Construction costs also impact cash requirements throughout the year. Cash needs for operations and construction are met partially through short-term borrowings from our line of credit.

Capital expenditures are expected to be higher by approximately \$1.4 million for the remaining six months of 2009 as compared to the same period in 2008. The expected overall increase is due primarily to reduced construction levels during the second half of 2008, and anticipated increases in capital spending levels during the remainder of 2009.

As of June 30, 2009 we had \$123,000 of outstanding commitments for capital expenditures for the purchase of 14 concrete transmission poles to be delivered during the third quarter 2009.

Cash requirements will increase significantly in the future due to environmental cleanup costs, sinking fund payments on long-term debt and pension contributions. Environmental cleanup is forecast to require payments of \$1 million in 2009, with remaining payments, which could total approximately \$11.2 million net of investment proceeds, beginning in 2010. Annual long-term debt sinking fund payments of approximately \$1.4 million will continue for nine years.

In April 2009, we made our first required pension contribution of \$411,000 towards our 2009 plan year. Based on actuarial projections, we will continue to make required contributions to our defined benefit pension plan of approximately \$560,000 and \$822,000 in 2009 for the 2008 and 2009 plan years, respectively. In addition, we expect to make a voluntary contribution of \$4 million for the 2008 plan year in September 2009. We will continue in future years to make contributions as required by the Pension Protection Act funding rules.

We believe that cash from operations, coupled with short-term borrowings on our line of credit, will be sufficient to satisfy our operating expenses, normal construction expenditure and dividend payments through 2009. If we experience significant environmental expenditures in the next two or three years it is possible we may need to raise additional funds. There can be no assurance, however, that equity or debt transaction financing will be available on favorable terms or at all when we make the decision to proceed with a financing transaction.

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Outlook

Pension Plan

In March 2009, the Company's Board of Directors authorized amendments to the pension plan in an effort to reduce anticipated future pension expenses. As a result of these amendments, the Company will freeze the pension plan for all participants effective December 31, 2009. The freeze will include freezing salary rates at 2009 average compensation levels as of December 31, 2009 and only allowing two additional service years to be earned by active participants with less than 35 years of service. In addition to the freeze, the reduced early retirement eligibility will be lowered from 30 years to 20 years. The two additional service years will incur service costs of approximately \$650,000 in each of the next two years. Beyond December 31, 2011, active participants will continue to accrue service years only for the purposes of vesting and retirement eligibility.

As a result of the pension freeze, employees currently in the pension plan will be eligible to receive matching contributions in the company's 401k Plan effective January 1, 2010. Contribution expense is forecasted to increase approximately \$580,000 as a result of this option.

The amendments to the plan have been accounted for in accordance with SFAS No. 88, resulting in the recognition of approximately \$2.7 million in non-cash pre-tax curtailment loss of which \$2.3 million is reflected in expenses and \$400,000 is reflected on the balance sheet in the Company's consolidated financial statements.

The freeze will reduce pension expenses beginning in the second quarter of 2009. With the freeze, pension expense and pension contribution are expected to be approximately \$200,000 and \$13 million, respectively spread over the period 2009 through 2013.

Natural Gas Base Rate Proceeding

We filed a request with the FPSC in the fourth quarter of 2008 for a base rate increase of approximately \$9.9 million annually in our natural gas segment. This request included recovery of increased expenses and some capital expenditures since our last rate proceeding in 2004.

On February 10, 2009 the FPSC approved interim rate relief for partial recovery of the increased expenditures. Interim rates which produced additional annual revenues of approximately \$1.0 million became effective on March 12, 2009 until the final rates were effective on June 4, 2009.

On May 5, 2009 the FPSC approved a final natural gas rate increase of approximately \$8.5 million in revenues annually with new rates beginning June 4, 2009. These revenues should provide an increase to the Company's overall profitability for the natural gas segment and recovery of increased expenditures including depreciation and other expenses beginning in 2009.

On June 17, 2009 the Office of Public Counsel entered a protest to FPSC's final natural gas rate increase ruling and a full hearing will be required within eight months. The vote for the final rates is scheduled for February 9, 2010. Previously approved final rates and the related revenues will be collected pending possible refund upon final determination at the full hearing.

At this time management does not estimate any adjustments to the final rate increase approved on May 5, 2009 and has not set up a liability for a possible rate refund as of June

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30, 2009. Management will recognize a liability for a possible rate refund if we determine adjustments are probable. It is possible that the final rate increase awarded may be lower than was approved by the FPUC on May 5, 2009 and a refund may be required to our customers for any variance in the final rates approved at the full hearing compared to the previously approved rates on May 5, 2009. The impact of a refund of previously collected rates could be material to our results of operation.

Electric Franchise Marianna

The City of Marianna Commissioners voted on July 7, 2009 to enter into a new ten year franchise agreement with the Company effective February 1, 2010. The agreement stipulated that new interruptible and time of use rates become available for certain customers prior to February 2011 or the franchise could be voided six months after that date. Should the Company fail to make available the new rates and the franchise is voided and the City elects to purchase the Marianna portion of the distribution system, it would require the city to pay the Company severance/reintegration costs, fair market value for the system, and an initial investment in the infrastructure to operate this limited facility. If the City purchased our electric system, the Company would have a gain in the year of the acquisition; but, ongoing financial results would be negatively impacted from the loss of this operating area within our electric operations.

Storm Preparedness Expenses

Regulators continue to focus on hurricane preparedness and storm recovery issues for utility companies. Mandated storm preparedness initiatives impacted our 2008 earnings and continue to impact our operating expenses and capital expenditures in 2009. The current forecast is not expected to exceed additional annual expenditures of approximately \$260,000. During the 2008 rate proceeding, these storm preparedness costs were approved and have been included in the base rates. It is possible that additional regulation and rules will be mandated regarding storm related expenditures over the next several years.

Land Purchase

We purchased land for \$3.5 million in July 2007 for a new South Florida operations facility. We started preparing plans for site development of this property but have temporarily placed this project on hold. We may begin construction in the next one to three years or sell the property if we determine we can return to the existing operations location.

Natural Gas Depreciation Study

We filed a depreciation study with the FPSC in the fourth quarter of 2008 for our natural gas segment. In April 2009, the FPSC approved new deprecation rates to be effective July 1, 2009. As a result of new depreciation rates, depreciation expense is expected to increase approximately \$200,000 annually beginning July 1, 2009, and we received full recovery for this increased expense in our base rate increase. See "Natural Gas Base Rate Proceeding" above for more information on the base rate increase.

Large Customer in NE Electric Division

A large industrial customer in our northeast electric division filed for bankruptcy on January 26, 2009.

The average monthly gross profit from this customer was approximately \$29,000 in 2008 and the average total monthly bill including fuel costs for this customer was approximately \$250,000. This customer paid all outstanding amounts that were due as of December 31, 2008. The Company has reserved approximately \$200,000 for potential bad debt awaiting the outcome of this bankruptcy proceeding. If the courts determine that we have to refund any prior payments, the Company may be required to write-off a portion of this customer's

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receivables including fuel cost to our reserve.

Bad Debt Expense

Management expects bad debt expense and related write-offs of receivables to continue increasing further in 2009 as a result of the current economic climate and the impact to our customers. We are not able to predict the impact to our financial results, but we do anticipate an increase to bad debt expense over 2008 levels.

Energy Efficiency Legislation

Regulators are focusing on several legislative issues involving the Energy Policy Act of 2005 and the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 and related issues. One major provision is the implementation of a renewable portfolio standard. Since the Company is a non-generating utility with existing ten year all-requirements wholesale energy contracts, there is significant concern over the additional purchased power cost that may be required to comply with the standard. Although this cost may be passed on to the customers through a rate increase, continued decrease in customer usage will have an impact on operations. The Company understands the overall benefits from the legislation but the burden imposed on a small utility like ours is of particular concern. Although legislation has not yet been passed, the Company is continuing to communicate with the FPSC to find solutions that will work for the Company, while maintaining manageable electric rates for customers. The company is also working with other Florida Utilities to develop a comprehensive Demand Side Management Plan that we be implemented during 2010 which will further enhance the conservation programs in place. To support these programs "Smart Grid Technology" is being considered which would require significant capital investment to develop, install and manage.

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Propane Pre-Buys

We are currently involved in pre-buy contracts for our propane commodity that range from 20% to 45% of our supply over the next fifteen months. The average price for the fifteen month pre-buy strip was approximately 5% below daily market price on June 30, 2009.

Pre-Merger Costs

The Company expects to incur significant pre-merger related costs associated with the pending merger between Chesapeake and FPU. These costs include legal services, investment banking services, and other pre-merger related items. At this time management anticipates additional costs to be incurred in the 2009 third and fourth quarter of approximately \$1.6 million.

Forward-Looking Statements (Cautionary Statement)

This report contains forward-looking statements including those relating to the following:

- Our expectation that the pending merger with Chesapeake will be effective in the fourth quarter of this year.
- Cash requirements will increase significantly in the future due to environmental clean-up costs, sinking fund payments on long-term debt and pension contributions.
- Cash from operations, coupled with short-term borrowings on our line of credit, will be sufficient to satisfy our operating expenses, normal construction expenditure and dividend payments through 2009.
- Realization of actual additional revenues from the natural gas rate proceeding finalized in May 2009 will occur as expected.
- Impact of the overall economic conditions on our earnings, customer growth rates, unit sales and sales expense.
- Capital expenditures will be greater for the remainder of 2009 compared to the prior year.
- Timing and progress of construction on the South Florida operations facility.
- Increase in pension contributions to our defined benefit pension plan in 2009 and beyond.
- Amortization of pension service costs, pension expense and 401K expenses as expected in future years.
- Increase in bad debt expense on our customer accounts receivable.
- Impact of Energy Efficiency Legislation on our Company and our operating results.
- Additional annual expenditures relating to storm preparedness.
- Pre-merger costs are estimated to be \$1.6 million over the remainder of 2009.

These statements involve certain risks and uncertainties. Actual results may differ materially from what is expressed in such forward-looking statements. Important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed by the forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, those set forth in "Risk Factors" in our Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

All financial instruments held by us were entered into for purposes other than for trading. We have market risk exposure only from the potential loss in fair value resulting from changes in interest rates. We have no material exposure relating to commodity prices because under our regulatory jurisdictions, we are fully compensated for the actual costs of commodities (natural gas and electricity) used in our operations. Any commodity price

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increases for propane gas are normally passed through monthly to propane gas customers as the fuel charge portion of their rate.

None of our gas or electric contracts are accounted for using the fair value method of accounting. While some of our contracts meet the definition of a derivative, we have designated these contracts as "normal purchases" under SFAS No. 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities". As of June 30, 2009, we had not entered into any hedging activities, and we do not anticipate entering into hedging activities in 2009. Beginning in 2009, we started pre-buying propane when certain price levels are reached.

We have no exposure to equity risk, as we do not hold any material equity instruments. Our exposure to interest rate risk is limited to investments held for environmental costs, the long-term notes receivable from the sale of our water division and short-term borrowings on the line of credit. The investments held for environmental costs are short-term fixed income debt securities whose carrying amounts are not materially different than fair value. We had no balances outstanding on our short-term borrowings at the end of June 2009. We do not believe we have material market risk exposure related to these instruments. The indentures governing our two first mortgage bond series outstanding contain "make-whole" provisions (pre-payment penalties that charge for lost interest), which render refinancing impracticable until sometime after 2012.

Item 4T. Controls and Procedures

Disclosure Controls and Procedures

In accordance with Exchange Act Rules 13a-15 and 15d-15, we carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of management, including our CEO and CFO, of the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures as of June 30, 2009. Based on that evaluation, our CEO and CFO have concluded that, as of June 30, 2009, our disclosure controls and procedures were effective.

Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

There have not been any changes in the Company's internal control over financial reporting during the fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2009 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

On May 8, 2009, a putative class action lawsuit purportedly on behalf of the shareholders of FPU, challenging the merger was filed in Palm Beach County, Florida, against FPU, each member of FPU's board of directors and Chesapeake. The complaint alleges, among other things, that the approval of the proposed merger by the directors of FPU constituted a breach of their fiduciary duties. The suit seeks to enjoin completion of the merger. While the Company and its directors believe that the allegations in the lawsuit are without merit and intend to defend vigorously against these allegations, no assurance can be given as to the outcome of this lawsuit, including the costs associated with defending this claim, or any other liabilities or costs the parties may incur in connection with the litigation or settlement of this claim.

The Company has been issued a notice of alleged violation of certain reliability standards by the Florida Reliability Coordinating Council (FRCC). The FRCC is a not-for-profit company established as a regional entity with delegated authority from the North American Electric Reliability Corporation whose purpose is to propose and enforce reliability standards to enhance reliability and adequacy of bulk electricity supply. Enforcement of these standards

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began in July of 2009 and the Company received notice that it had been in violation of four of these reliability standards. The Company has agreed to enter into settlement negotiations with the FRCC to address these alleged violations. At this time management is unable to estimate the amount of any penalties that may arise from this matter.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

Failure to complete the merger could adversely impact the stock prices and the future business and financial results of the Company because of, among other things, the market disruption that would occur as a result of uncertainties relating to a failure to complete the merger.

There is no assurance that Chesapeake and Florida Public Utilities will obtain the necessary shareholder approvals to complete the merger or satisfy the other conditions to the completion of the merger. If the merger is not completed for any reason, the Company will be subject to several risks, including the following:

- Florida Public Utilities may be required to pay Chesapeake a termination fee;
- the price of the Company's common shares may decline to the extent that the current market price reflects a market assumption that the merger will be completed and that the related benefits and synergies will be realized, or as a result of the market's perceptions that the merger was not consummated due to an adverse change in Florida Public Utilities' business; and
- the business of Florida Public Utilities may be harmed, and the price of our stock may decline, to the extent that employees, customers, suppliers and others believe that the Company cannot compete in the marketplace as effectively without the merger or otherwise remain uncertain about the Company's future prospects in the absence of the merger.

A pending shareholder suit could delay or prevent the closing of the merger or otherwise adversely impact the business and operations of Florida Public Utilities.

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Florida Public Utilities will be subject to business uncertainties and contractual restrictions while the merger is pending which could adversely affect our business. Uncertainty about the effect of the merger on employees and customers may have an adverse effect on Florida Public Utilities. These uncertainties may impair our ability to attract, retain and motivate key personnel until the merger is consummated and for a period of time thereafter. These uncertainties also could cause customers, suppliers and others that deal with us to seek to change existing business relationships. Employee retention may be particularly challenging during the pendency of the merger, as employees may experience uncertainty about their future roles with the combined company. In addition, the merger agreement restricts Florida Public Utilities, without Chesapeake's consent, from making certain acquisitions and taking other specified actions until the merger occurs or the merger

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agreement terminates. These restrictions may prevent us from pursuing otherwise attractive business opportunities and making other changes to our businesses prior to completion of the merger or termination of the merger agreement.

Current market conditions have had an adverse impact on the return on plan assets for our pension plan, which may require significant additional funding and adversely affect cash flows.

Florida Public Utilities has a pension plan that has been closed to new employees. The costs of providing benefits and related funding requirements of these plans are subject to changes in the market value of the assets that fund the plans. As a result of the extreme volatility and disruption in the domestic and international equity and bond markets, during 2008 our pension plan experienced a decline of \$10.9 million in its asset values. The funded status of the plan and the related costs reflected in the financial statements are affected by various factors that are subject to an inherent degree of uncertainty, particularly in the current economic environment. Under the Pension Protection Act of 2006, continued losses of asset values may necessitate accelerated funding of the plans in the future to meet minimum federal government requirements. Continued downward pressure on the asset values of the plan may require the Company to fund obligations earlier than originally planned, which would have an adverse impact on our cash flows from operations, decrease borrowing capacity and increase interest expense.

Pending environmental cleanup proceedings in West Palm Beach, Florida may have a material adverse effect on the company.

We are currently evaluating remedial options to respond to environmental impacts to soil and groundwater at and in the immediate vicinity of a parcel of property in West Palm Beach, Florida. We are working with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection with respect to remedies for this property. The total costs for remedies which have been evaluated range from a low of \$2.8 million to a high of \$54.6 million. Discussions with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection are ongoing to reach a final remedy for the site. Prior to the conclusion of those negotiations, however, we are unable to determine, to a reasonable degree of certainty, the complete extent or cost of remedial action that may be required. The ultimate remedy could exceed the current expectations and environmental reserves of Florida Public Utilities and have a material adverse effect on the Company.

The risk factors should be read in conjunction with those included in our most recent Form 10-K for the year ending December 31, 2008.

Item 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

The Company held its annual meeting of stockholders on May 12, 2009. At that meeting, the stockholders were asked to consider and act on the following:

- Election of two directors
- Approve an amendment to the Company's Dividend Reinvestment Plan to increase the number of shares of common stock available in this Plan by 100,000 shares
- Ratification of the appointment of BDO Seidman, LLP, as the Company's independent registered certified public accounting firm
- Approve a shareholder proposal regarding classified board

Each of the following directors was reelected for a term expiring in 2011 and received the number of votes set forth opposite his or her name:

Nominee	For	<u>Withheld</u>

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Ellen Terry Benoit	4,339,488	1,173,619	
John T English	4,734,602	778,505	

The following votes were cast with respect to the amendment to the Company's Dividend Reinvestment Plan, the ratification of the appointment of the Company's independent registered certified public accounting firm, BDO Seidman, LLP, and the shareholder proposal regarding classified board:

	<u>For</u>	Against	Broker Non-votes	Abstentions
Amendment to DRIP	3,918,634	127,175	1,444,033	23,265
Ratification of BDO Seidman, LLP	5,453,853	33,007	0	26,247
Shareholder proposal	1,573,212	2,418,871	1,444,034	76,990

Item 6. Exhibits

- 2.1 Agreement and Plan of Merger between Florida Public Utilities Company and Chesapeake Utilities Corporation, a Delaware corporation, and its wholly owned subsidiary, CPK Pelican, Inc., a Florida corporation. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.1 to our Form 8-K filed on April 17, 2009).
- 3.1 Restated Articles of Incorporation (incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit 3.2 on Form 8-K filed November 10, 2008).
- 3.2 Restated By-Laws (incorporated herein by reference as 3.1 on Form 8-K filed November 10, 2008).
- Indenture of Mortgage and Deed of Trust of FPU dated as of September 1, 1942 (incorporated by reference herein to Exhibit 7-A to Registration No. 2-6087).
- Fourteenth Supplemental Indenture dated September 1, 2001 (incorporated by reference to exhibit 4.2 on our annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001).
- 4.3 Fifteenth Supplemental Indenture dated November 1, 2001 (incorporated by reference to exhibit 4.3 on our annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001).
- 31.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer (CEO) per Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 31.2 Certification of Chief Financial Officer (CFO) per Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 32 Certification of Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer per Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMPANY (Registrant)

Date: August 12, 2009

By: <u>/s/ George M. Bachman</u> George M. Bachman Chief Financial Officer (Principal Accounting Officer) UNITED STATES Page 39 of 39

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EXHIBIT B

Florida Public Utilities Company 2010 Sources and Uses of Funds Forecast (In Thousands)

Significant cash flow items (Note 1)	2010
Total Operating Income	60,288
Deductions	
Operating & Maintenance	32,477
Taxes	5,851
Interest	4,353
Dividends Paid	3,003
Pension Contribution	3,650
Environmental	629
Other	(528)
Total Deductions	49,435
Balance	10,853
Construction expenditures:	12,000
Cash Refund/(Contributions)	417
Contingency Requirements	6,739
Balance	(8,303)
Proceeds (repayment) of Short Term Borrowing	3,900
Proceeds (repayment) of Long Term Borrowing	(1,409)
Proceeds from Sale of Disc. Ops & LWG	`5,813 [°]
Requested Financing	
Balance	1
Beginning Cash	345
Ending Cash	346
1	

Florida Public Utilities Company 2010 Construction Budget for Gross Property Additions (In Thousands)

Notes

- 1) Projected amounts do not include any effect of potential changes in retail base or other regulated activities which could cause the projections to change.
- 2) Excludes AFUDC. All of the estimated construction expenditures are subject to continuing review and adjustment. Actual construction expenditures may vary from these estimates due to factors such as; changes in customers, energy sales, business and economic conditions, construction and design requirements, fuel supply and costs, availability of labor, supplies and materials, regulatory treatment, environmental and conservation requirements, and existing and proposed legislation. FPUC is keeping its construction program as flexible as possible with the intention of accommodating those factors that may develop or change.

EXHIBIT C

Florida Public Utilities Company Statement of Capital Stock and Debt 6/30/2009

Preferred Stock without Sinking Fund Requirements:

Dividend Rate	Series	Issue Date	Shares Authorized and Outstanding	Amount Authorized and Outstanding	Annual Dividend Requirement
4.75%	i sin d	1959	6,000	\$ 600,000.00	\$ 28,500.00

Other:

				Shares		
Description	Par	Value	Issue Date	Authorized	Outstanding *	Outstanding Amounts
Common Stock	\$	1.50	1947, 1987, &1998	10,000,000	6,217,113	\$ 15,581,061.00
Treasury Stock	\$	1.50			92,124	\$ (1,632,437.00)
Affiliated Corporations:						
Flo-Gas Shares						\$ -
Total						\$ 13,948,624.00

^{*} Average shares outstanding have been restated to reflect the three-for-two issued on July 25, 2005.

Florida Public Utilities Company Statement of Capital Stock and Debt 6/30/2009

First Mortgage Bonds:

Series	Issue date	Maturity	(Principal Dutstanding	Proceeds / (Expenses)
9.57%	5/1/1988	5/1/2018	\$	8,182,000	l
10.03%	5/1/1988	5/1/2018	\$	4,500,000	
9.08%	6/1/1992	6/1/2022	\$	8,000,000	73XX - 5 - 2
4.90%	11/1/2001	11/1/2031	\$	13,800,000	
6.85%	9/27/2001	10/1/2031	\$	14,975,000	
	_	Total	\$	49,457,000	\$ -

	Mos Remaining
0.0112 0.0118 0.0156	106 106 155
0.0146	268
0.0203	267
0.0735	902

7.35%

Weighted Average Interest - Long-term Debt

7.35%

Unsecured Short Term Debt:

6 mos

	Current		Proceeds /
	Interest Rate	Balance	(Expenses)
December 31, 2008	1.33625%	12,747,000	
June 30, 2009	1.10875%		

Other

Amount Pledged by Applicant:	0
Amount held in any Fund	Ó

Pretax interest coverage:

Net income before interest and income taxes
Interest expense

Net Inc	Interest Exp	Income Tax
1,748	2,269	982
	2,269	

2.20%