

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Purchased Gas Adjustment)	DOCKET NO. 910003-GU
(PGA) True-up.)	ORDER NO. 24188
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The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

THOMAS M. BEARD, Chairman
 BETTY EASLEY
 MICHAEL McK. WILSON

**ORDER APPROVING PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT TRUE-UP AMOUNTS
 FOR THE PERIOD APRIL, 1990 THROUGH SEPTEMBER, 1990
 TO BE RECOVERED DURING THE PERIOD
 APRIL, 1991 THROUGH SEPTEMBER, 1991**

BY THE COMMISSION:

As part of this Commission's continuing fuel, oil backout, conservation, and purchased gas cost recovery proceedings, hearings are held in February and August of each year in this docket and in two related dockets. Pursuant to Notice, a hearing was held in this docket and in Dockets No. 910001-EI and 910002-EG on February 21, 1991, in Tallahassee, Florida. Chesapeake Utilities Corporation, Florida Division, City Gas Company, Florida Public Utilities Company, Indiantown Gas Company, Miller Gas Company, Peoples Gas System, Inc., Palm Beach County Utilities Corporation, South Florida Natural Gas Company, and West Florida Natural Gas Company submitted exhibits in support of their proposed net true-up amounts, projected therm sales, and proposed true-up factor for application on customer bills. None of the figures proposed by the utilities were disputed by Staff or representatives of The Office of Public Counsel or any of the Intervenors. Tropicana Products, Inc. raised two issues concerning the allocation by Peoples Gas System of demand charges paid by standby sales customers and the implementation date of any resulting adjustment. By agreement of the parties, these issues will be addressed at the August 1991 hearing in this docket.

At the prehearing in this docket, held on February 4, 1991, the parties stipulated to all issues. On February 15, 1991, St. Joe Natural Gas Company filed an amended petition seeking to revise its true-up factor to .0000 cents per therm. The company indicates that it believes that it was over charged approximately one hundred thousand dollars by Florida Gas Transmission, Inc. This amount is approximately equal to the amount of St. Joe's underrecovery. Rather than collect this amount only to refund it in the next true-up period, St. Joe seeks to offset the underrecovery with the

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anticipated credit from Florida Gas Transmission, Inc. All parties stipulated to this revision. We approve the figures stipulated to by the parties as to net true-up amounts, projected therm sales, and true-factors.

Net True-Up Amounts

The parties stipulated to the appropriate net true-up amounts for the period April 1, 1990 through September 30, 1990, to be applied during the period April 1, 1991 through September 30, 1991, as follows:

	<u>Over (Under) Recovery</u>
Chesapeake Utilities Corporation	\$181,683
City Gas Company of Florida	\$287,056
Florida Public Utilities	\$292,390
Indiantown Gas Company	(\$6,099)
Miller Gas Company	\$26,104
Palm Beach Co. Utilities Corp.	\$18,512
Peoples Gas System	(\$326,032)
St. Joe Natural Gas Company	(\$108,322)
South Florida Natural Gas Co.	\$5,710
West Florida Natural Gas Co.	\$286,903

Projected Therm Sales

The parties stipulated to projected therm sales of natural gas during the period April 1, 1991, through September 30, 1991, as follows:

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	<u>Estimated Therm Sales</u>
Chesapeake Utilities Corporation	32,305,212
City Gas Company Florida	35,956,000
Florida Public Utilities	29,396,560
Indiantown Gas Company	1,300,000
Miller Gas Company	2,320,000
Palm Beach Co. Utilities Corp.	995,194
Peoples Gas System	200,000,000
St. Joe Natural Gas Company	8,500,000
South Florida Natural Gas Co.	1,509,000
West Florida Natural Gas Co.	11,482,268

True-Up Factor

The parties stipulated to the appropriate true-up factors for application on customer bills during the April 1, 1991 through September 30, 1991 period, which are shown below.

	<u>True-up Factor Cents per Therm</u>
Chesapeake Utilities Corporation	(0.562)
City Gas Company of Florida	(0.798)
Florida Public Utilities	(0.995)
Indiantown Gas Company	0.469
Miller Gas Company	(1.125)
Palm Beach Co. Utilities Corp.	(1.860)

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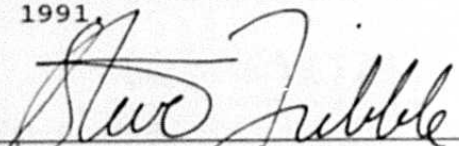
	<u>True-up Factor</u> <u>Cents per therm</u>
Peoples Gas System	0.163
St. Joe Natural Gas Company	0.000
South Florida Natural Gas Co.	(0.378)
West Florida Natural Gas Co.	(2.499)

In consideration of the above, it is

ORDERED that the stipulations set forth in the body of this Order are approved. It is further

ORDERED that the utilities named herein shall true-up their purchased gas cost recovery by applying the true-up factors as set forth herein to customers bills during the period April 1, 1991 through September 30, 1991.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 4th day of MARCH, 1991.


 STEVE TRIBBLE, Director
 Division of Records and Reporting

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NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.59(4), Florida Statutes, to notify parties of any administrative hearing or judicial review of Commission orders that is available under Sections 120.57 or 120.68, Florida Statutes, as well as the procedures and time limits that apply. This notice

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should not be construed to mean all requests for an administrative hearing or judicial review will be granted or result in the relief sought.

Any party adversely affected by the Commission's final action in this matter may request: 1) reconsideration of the decision by filing a motion for reconsideration with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting within fifteen (15) days of the issuance of this order in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code; or 2) judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility or the First District Court of Appeal in the case of a water or sewer utility by filing a notice of appeal with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting and filing a copy of the notice of appeal and the filing fee with the appropriate court. This filing must be completed within thirty (30) days after the issuance of this order, pursuant to Rule 9.110, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure. The notice of appeal must be in the form specified in Rule 9.900 (a), Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.