

November 17, 1997

Ms. Blanca S. Bayo, Director
Division of Records and Reporting
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Blvd.
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re: Docket No. 971074-GU Petition for Authority to Implement Bi-Monthly Meter Reading by City Gas Company of Florida

Dear Ms. Bayo:

As requested by Commission staff, enclosed for filing in the above docket, please find the original and 15 copies of proposed First Revised Sheet No. 9 and proposed Original Sheet No. 9A of the City Gas Company of Florida Natural Gas Tariff. Redlined Versions of the proposed tariff sheets are also enclosed.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,



Michael A. Palecki
Vice President of Regulatory Affairs

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NUI Companies and Affiliates:
City Gas Company of Florida
Elizabethtown Gas
Elkton Gas
North Carolina Gas

NUI Capital Corp
NUI Energy
NUI Energy Brokers
NUI Environmental Group

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TIC Enterprises, LLC
Utility Business Services
Valley Cities Gas
Waverly Gas

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b. Meter Reading Estimates

Where the Company does not, for any reason, read the meter, the Company may estimate the amount of gas supplied based upon past usage, seasonal conditions, and other available information and submit a bill determined on that basis. Such a bill shall be marked as an estimated bill. Adjustment of Customer's estimated usage to actual usage shall be made when an actual reading is next obtained.

c. Rule 25-7.071 Measuring Customer Service

Rule 25-7.071 of the Florida Public Service Commission is included herein:

(1) All gas sold to customers shall be measured by commercially acceptable measuring devices owned and maintained by the utility, except where it is impractical to meter loads, such as street lighting, temporary or special installations, in which case the consumption may be calculated, or billed on a rate or as provided in the utility's filed tariff.

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