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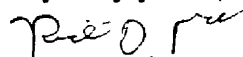
Re: Docket 020004-GU

Dear Ms. Bayó:

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

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

Very truly yours,



Richard D. Melson

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cc: Certificate of Service

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D.-F. Issues

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

Issue 1: What is the final end-of-period true-up amount for the period January 2001 through December 2001?

City Gas: An over-recovery of \$745,761.

Issue 2: What are the appropriate conservation cost recovery factors for the period January 2003 through December 2003?

City Gas: The appropriate factors are:

<u>Rate Class</u>	<u>Factor</u>
Residential (RS, ED & GL)	7.799 cents/therm
Commercial (CS, ED & SCTS)	2.272 cents/therm
Commercial Large Volume (LCS & CTS)	1.494 cents/therm
Industrial (IP & ITS)	1.363 cents/therm

Issue 3: What should be the effective date of the conservation cost recovery factors for billing purposes?

City Gas: The factors should be effective beginning with the specified conservation cost recovery cycle and thereafter for the period January, 2003, through December, 2003. Billing cycles may start before January 1, 2003, and the last cycle may be read after December 31, 2003, so that each customer is billed for twelve months regardless of when the adjustment factor became effective.

G. Stipulated Issues

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

H. Pending Motions

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

I. Pending Confidentiality Requests

City Gas has no pending confidentiality requests.

J. Compliance With Order on Procedure

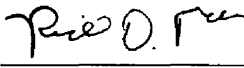
City Gas believes that this Prehearing Statement fully complies with the requirements of the Order on Procedure.

K. Objections to Witness Qualifications

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

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 23rd day of October, 2002.

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished by hand-delivery (*) and/or regular U.S. mail to all known parties of record in Docket No. 020004-GU this 23rd day of October, 2002.

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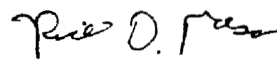
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