

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Natural gas conservation  
cost recovery.

DOCKET NO. 030004-GU

FILED: October 15, 2003

COMMISSION STAFF'S PREHEARING STATEMENT

Pursuant to Order No. PSC-03-0359-PCO-GU, issued March 17, 2003, and Order No. PSC-03-0925-PCO-GU, issued August 12, 2003, the Commission Staff (Staff) files its prehearing statement as follows:

A. Witnesses

Staff does not intend to call any witnesses.

B. Exhibits

Staff does not intend to sponsor any exhibits, but reserves the right to use exhibits for the purpose of cross-examination.

C. Basic Position

Staff's positions are preliminary and based on materials filed by the parties and on discovery. The preliminary positions are offered to assist the parties in preparing for the hearing. Staff's final positions will be based upon all the evidence in the record and may differ from the preliminary positions stated herein.

D. Staff's Positions on the Issues

Staff's positions are preliminary, are based upon materials filed by the parties or obtained through discovery and are intended to inform the parties of Staff's preliminary positions. Staff's final positions will be based upon an analysis of the evidence presented at the hearing.

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**ISSUE 1:      What is the final end of the period true-up amount for the period January 2002 through December 2002?**

<b><u>POSITION:</u></b>	CUC:	\$	149,226	Under Recovery
	CGC:	\$	284,674	Over Recovery
	FPUC:	\$	107,599	Under Recovery
	PGS:	\$	380,930	Under Recovery
	SJNG:	\$	232	Under Recovery
	PGWF:	\$	530,074	Under Recovery

**ISSUE 2:      What are the appropriate conservation cost recovery factors for the period January 2004 through December 2004?**

**POSITION:**

CUC:	<u>Rate Class</u>	<u>ECCR Factor</u>
	GS1/TS-1	12.762 cents/therm
	GS2/TS-2	6.704 cents/therm
	GS3/TS-3	4.020 cents/therm
	GS4/TS-4	3.155 cents/therm
	GS5/TS-5	2.807 cents/therm
	GS6/TS-6	2.134 cents/therm
	GS7/TS-7	1.333 cents/therm
	GS8/TS-8	1.103 cents/therm
	GS9/TS-9	.967 cents/therm

CGC:	<u>Rate Class</u>	<u>ECCR Factor</u>
	Residential (RS, ED & GCL)	7.669 cents/therm
	Commercial (CS, ED & SCTS)	2.222 cents/therm
	Commercial Lge Vol (LCS & CTS)	1.469 cents/therm
	Industrial (IP & ITS)	1.340 cents/therm

FPUC:	<u>Rate Class</u>	<u>ECCR Factor</u>
	Residential	8.850 cents/therm
	Commercial Small	3.248 cents/therm
	Commercial Lge Vol	2.166 cents/therm
	Large Vol. Transport	2.166 cents/therm

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PGS:	<u>Rate Class</u>	<u>ECCR Factor</u>
	RS	6.961 cents/therm
	SGS	6.203 cents/therm
	GS-1	2.286 cents/therm
	GS-2	1.859 cents/therm
	GS-3	1.564 cents/therm
	GS-4	1.411 cents/therm
	GS-5	.799 cents/therm
	NGVS	1.185 cents/therm
	CSLS	.998 cents/therm

SJNG:	<u>Rate Class</u>	<u>ECCR Factor</u>
	Residential	1.803 cents/therm
	Commercial	1.582 cents/therm
	Comm. Lge Vol.	.722 cents/therm

PGWF:	<u>Rate Class</u>	<u>ECCR Factor</u>
	RS	14.384 cents/therm
	SGS	12.685 cents/therm
	GS-1	5.425 cents/therm
	GS-2	4.296 cents/therm
	GS-3	3.596 cents/therm
	GS-4	3.245 cents/therm
	GS-5	1.806 cents/therm
	CSLS	2.292 cents/therm

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

POSITION: The factors should be effective beginning with the specified conservation cost recovery cycle and thereafter for the period January 2004, through December 2004. Billing cycles may start before January 1, 2004, and the last cycle may be read after December 31, 2004, so that each customer is billed for twelve months regardless of when the adjustment factor became effective.

E. Stipulated Issues

There are no issues that have been stipulated at this time.

F. Pending Motions

Staff has no pending motions at this time.

G. Pending Confidentiality Claims or Requests

Staff has no pending confidentiality claims at this time.

H. Compliance with Order Establishing Procedure

Staff has complied with all requirements of the Order Establishing Procedure entered in this docket.

Respectfully submitted this 15th day of October, 2003.

  
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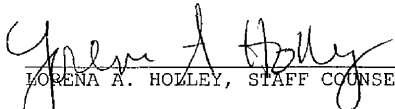
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