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

Re: Florida Public Utilities Company; Docket No. 040003-GU

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of Florida Public Utilities Company in this docket are the following documents:

1. An original and 10 copies of the Petition for Approval of Florida Public Utilities Company's Purchased Gas Cost Recovery True-Up Amount;
2. An original and 10 copies of the Direct Testimony of Cheryl Martin; and
3. An original and 10 copies of Exhibit CM-1 (Schedule A-7).

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Please acknowledge receipt of these documents by stamping the enclosed extra copy of this letter.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,


Norman H. Horton, Jr.

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Purchased Gas Adjustment)
Cost Recovery)
_____)

Docket No. 040003-GU
Filed: May 3, 2004

**PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF
FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMPANY'S
PURCHASED GAS COST RECOVERY TRUE-UP AMOUNT**

Florida Public Utilities Company ("the Company"), through undersigned counsel and pursuant to the requirements of this docket, hereby petitions the Commission to approve its purchased gas cost recovery true-up amount for the period January, 2003 through December, 2003.

In support hereof, the Company states:

1) The Company is a natural gas utility company within the jurisdiction of this Commission. Its principal business address is:

401 South Dixie Highway
West Palm Beach, FL 33401

2) The name and address of the person authorized to receive notices and communications with respect to this Petition are:

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3) Pursuant to the requirements of this Docket, the Company has prefiled testimony and purchased gas cost recovery true-up form (Exhibit CM-1) supplied by the Commission Staff in a manner consistent with the Commission Staff's instructions.

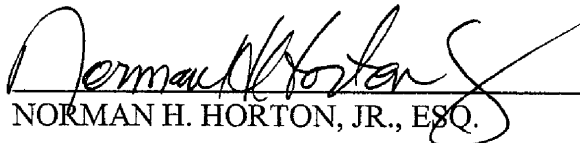
4) As indicated in the revised prefiled testimony and true-up forms, the Company had an actual overrecovery of \$46,560 for January, 2003 through December, 2003 as compared to an adjusted estimated underrecovery of \$292,342 for an overrecovery of \$338,902.

WHEREFORE, the Company respectfully requests that this Commission enter its order approving the Company's true-up amount for the period January, 2003 through December, 2003.

DATED this 3rd day of May, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

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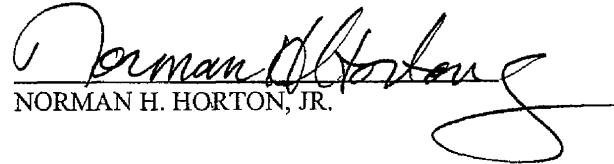
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that true and correct copies of the foregoing have been served by hand delivery (*) and/or U. S. Mail this 3rd day of May, 2004 upon the following:

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