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May 25, 2004

STAFF'S FIRST DATA REQUEST

Mr. Joseph McGlothlin, Esquire
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Re: Docket No. 040278-GU – Petition of Florida Public Utilities Company to Resolve Territorial Dispute with Peoples Gas System.

Dear Mr. McGlothlin:

By this letter and pursuant to Rule 25-7.0472, Florida Administrative Code, the Commission Staff requests that Florida Public Utilities Company (FPUC or utility) provide responses to the following data requests:

1. Please provide a map and written description of the disputed area, along with a written statement of the conditions that caused the dispute.

2. Please provide a description of the existing and planned load to be served in the disputed area, as well as a description of the type, additional cost, and reliability of natural gas facilities and other utility services to be provided within the disputed area.

3. Please describe the capability of FPUC to provide reliable natural gas service within the disputed area with existing facilities and gas supply contracts, as well as the extent to which additional facilities will be needed to serve the disputed area.

4. Please describe the nature of the disputed area and the type of utilities seeking to serve it, the degree of urbanization of the area and its proximity to other urban areas, and the present and reasonably foreseeable future requirements of the area for other utility services.

5. What is the present and future cost to provide natural gas service to the disputed area? At a minimum, please address the following in your response:

- A. Cost of obtaining rights-of-way and permits;
- B. Cost of capital;
- C. Amortization and depreciation;

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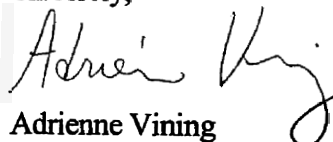
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- D. Labor broken down by rate per hour and estimated time to perform each task;
- E. Mains and pipe broken down by the cost per foot and the number of feet required to complete the job;
- F. Cost of meters, gauges, regulators, valves, cocks, fittings, etc., needed to complete the job;
- G. Cost of field compressor station structures and measuring and regulating station structures; and,
- H. Cost of gas contracts for system supply.

6. Please provide copies of all correspondence in your possession regarding customer preference in the **disputed area**.

Please provide the requested information by July 2, 2004. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at (850) 413-6183.

Sincerely,



Adrienne Vining
Senior Attorney

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