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DATE: September 22, 2022

TO: Office of Commission Clerk (Teitzman)

FROM: Division of Economics (Guffey) *JGH*
Office of the General Counsel (Brownless) *JSC*

RE: Docket No. 20220123-GU – Petition for approval of transportation service agreement to reflect expansion of St. Cloud by Florida Public Utilities Company and Peninsula Pipeline Company, Inc.

AGENDA: 10/04/22 – Regular Agenda – Proposed Agency Action – Interested Persons May Participate

COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: All Commissioners

PREHEARING OFFICER: La Rosa

CRITICAL DATES: None

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: None

Case Background

On July 6, 2022, Peninsula Pipeline Company, Inc. (Peninsula) filed a petition seeking approval of a firm transportation service agreement (Agreement) between Peninsula and Florida Public Utilities Company (FPUC), collectively the parties. The purpose of the Agreement is to expand and reinforce the St. Cloud gas distribution system in Osceola County. On July 7, 2022, Peninsula filed an amended petition correcting the title of the petition. Peninsula operates as an intrastate natural gas transmission company as defined by Section 368.103(4), Florida Statutes

(F.S.).¹ FPUC is a local distribution company (LDC) subject to the regulatory jurisdiction of the Commission pursuant to Chapter 366, F.S.

By Order No. PSC-07-1012-TRF-GP,² Peninsula received approval of an intrastate gas pipeline tariff that allows it to construct and operate intrastate pipeline facilities and to actively pursue agreements with natural gas customers. Peninsula provides gas transportation service only; it does not engage in the sale of natural gas. Pursuant to Order No. PSC-07-1012-TRF-GP, Peninsula is allowed to enter into certain gas transmission agreements without prior Commission approval.³ However, Peninsula is requesting Commission approval of this proposed Agreement as it does not fit any of the criteria enumerated in the tariff for which Commission approval would not be required.⁴ The parties are subsidiaries of Chesapeake Utility Corporation (Chesapeake), a Delaware corporation authorized to conduct business in Florida, and agreements between affiliated companies must be approved by the Commission pursuant to Section 368.105, F.S., and Order No. PSC-07-1012-TRF-GP.

Pursuant to the proposed Agreement and project map (Attachments A and B to this recommendation), Peninsula will construct, own, and operate a new natural gas pipeline, a new district regulator, and an additional interconnect with Florida Gas Transmission Company's (FGT) system. Additionally, pursuant to the proposed Agreement, FPUC will construct a pipeline which will interconnect to Peninsula. The proposed project will enable FPUC to serve the Twin Lakes community and potential future gas customers in Osceola County. During the evaluation of the amended petition, staff issued a data request to the parties for which responses were received on August 5, 2022. The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to Sections 366.05(1), 366.06, and 368.105, F.S.

¹ Order No. PSC-06-0023-DS-GP, issued January 9, 2006, in Docket No. 050584-GP, *In re: Petition for declaratory statement by Peninsula Pipeline Company, Inc. concerning recognition as a natural gas transmission company under Section 368.101, F.S., et seq.*

² Order No. PSC-07-1012-TRF-GP, issued December 21, 2007, in Docket No. 070570-GP, *In re: Petition for approval of natural gas transmission pipeline tariff by Peninsula Pipeline Company, Inc.*

³ Peninsula Pipeline Company, Inc., Intrastate Pipeline Tariff, Original Vol. 1, Original Sheet No. 11, Section 3.

⁴ Peninsula Pipeline Company, Inc., Intrastate Pipeline Tariff, Original Vol. 1, Original Sheet No. 12, Section 4.

Discussion of Issues

Issue 1: Should the Commission approve the proposed firm transportation Agreement dated June 20, 2022 between FPUC and Peninsula?

Recommendation: Yes, the Commission should approve the proposed firm transportation Agreement dated June 20, 2022 between FPUC and Peninsula. The proposed Agreement is reasonable and meets the requirements of Section 368.105, F.S. Furthermore, the proposed Agreement benefits FPUC's current and potential future customers by having an additional source of gas for the growing areas in Osceola County. (Guffey)

Staff Analysis: Proposed Transportation Service Agreement

FPUC provides natural gas service to residential, commercial, and industrial customers in Osceola County, and receives deliveries of natural gas to serve these customers over interstate transmission pipelines owned by Florida Gas Transmission (FGT).

The parties have entered into the proposed firm transportation Agreement to enable FPUC to reinforce its St. Cloud distribution system and meet increased natural gas demand in Osceola County. The proposed Agreement has the added benefit of providing FPUC with an additional source of gas (via the Peninsula intrastate pipeline) and enhancing an existing interconnection with the FGT pipeline.

The proposed Agreement specifies an initial term of 20 years and thereafter shall be extended on a year-to-year basis, unless either party gives no less than 90 days of written notification of termination. If either party desires to negotiate modifications to the rates or terms of this Agreement, they may do so no less than 120 days prior to expiration of the current active term. The proposed St. Cloud expansion project is discussed below and the project map is Attachment B to this recommendation.

Proposed St. Cloud Expansion Project

Attachment B shows the proposed St. Cloud gas distribution expansion project. As shown by the blue line, starting at an existing city gate interconnection with FGT on Missouri Avenue in Osceola County, Peninsula will construct 23,232 feet (4.4 miles) of 4-inch steel pipeline traveling south along Missouri Avenue, west along Fertic Road, then south along Canoe Creek Road up to the Nolte Road intersection.

From the Canoe Creek Road and Nolte Road intersection, Peninsula will continue the steel pipeline east along Nolte Road and conclude at the district regulator station at the intersection of Nolte Road and Hickory Tree Road, also shown by the blue line.

Finally, indicated by a red line, from the Nolte Road and Hickory Tree Road intersection, FPUC will construct 1,320 feet of 6-inch medium-density polyethylene plastic pipeline along Hickory Tree Road providing a connection to an existing gas main. The parties assert that the selected route of the St. Cloud expansion project provides the largest benefit to the area, to FPUC, and its customers.

Anticipated System benefits

The parties assert that the proposed project will enable FPUC to serve the Twin Lakes community, a large residential development projected to have 1,400 dwelling units when fully built out. Other commercial customers, along Peninsula's portion of the project, are expected to be served as well. The petition also states that FPUC will be positioned to serve other developments to be built in and around St. Cloud in Osceola County. The parties assert that construction of the pipeline is necessary because the existing infrastructure is not adequate to serve the Twin Lakes community when it is expected to be fully built out by 2029.⁵ Additionally, FPUC is currently negotiating with the developer of Center Lake Ranch, which at built out is expected to have a total of 2,054 dwelling units (in two development phases) and some commercial development.⁶ The parties assert that the proposed project will reinforce FPUC's St. Cloud distribution system with an additional source of interstate gas with the potential to provide natural gas service to future customers in Osceola County.

In response to staff's data request, the parties stated that FPUC did not obtain formal Request for Proposals (RFP) responses from other entities. FPUC explained that in previous discussions and requests with FGT for other projects, FGT has declined to bid on projects related to construction, owning, and operating laterals such as the proposed expansion project in this petition, which are not a focus of FGT's expansion activities.

Negotiated Monthly Reservation Payments to Peninsula

The parties assert that the negotiated monthly reservation charge contained in the proposed agreement is consistent with market rates, because the rates are substantially the same as rates set forth in similar agreements as required by Section 368.105(3)(b), F.S. The parties assert that Peninsula will recover the pipeline and district regulator construction costs through the monthly reservation charge to FPUC as shown in Exhibit A to the proposed Agreement. The monthly reservation charge is designed to recover costs such as, but not limited to, engineering, permitting, materials, and installation costs associated with pipeline and related facilities, ongoing maintenance including Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) compliance, safety requirements, property taxes, gas control, and Peninsula's return on investment.

FPUC is proposing to recover its payments to Peninsula through Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) and swing service rider mechanisms. The PGA allows FPUC to periodically adjust the price of natural gas supplied to its customers to reflect the actual cost of gas purchased and delivered on behalf of the customers. The swing service rider allows FPUC to recover intrastate capacity costs from their transportation customers and is a cents per therm charge that is included in the monthly customer gas bill of transportation customers. While FPUC will incur costs associated with this service expansion, new load added to the system will help spread the costs over a larger customer base.

Conclusion

Based on the petition and the parties' responses to staff's data request, staff believes that the proposed Agreement is reasonable and meets requirements of Section 368.105, F.S. Furthermore,

⁵ Response No. 3 in Staff's First Data Request, Document No. 05281-2022.

⁶ Response No. 11 in Staff's First Data Request, Document No. 05281-2022

the proposed Agreement benefits FPUC's current and potential future customers by having an additional source of gas for the growing areas in Osceola County. Staff therefore recommends approval of the proposed Agreement between Peninsula and FPUC dated June 20, 2022.

Issue 2: Should this docket be closed?

Recommendation: Yes. If no protest is filed by a person whose substantial interest are affected within 21 days of the issuance of the Order, this docket should be closed upon the issuance of a Consummating Order. (Brownless)

Staff Analysis: If no protest is filed by a person whose substantial interest are affected within 21 days of the issuance of the Order, this docket should be closed upon the issuance of a Consummating Order.

PENINSULA PIPELINE COMPANY, INC.
FIRM TRANSPORTATION SERVICE AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT entered into this 20th day of June, 2022, by and between Peninsula Pipeline Company, Inc., a corporation of the State of Delaware (herein called "Company"), and Florida Public Utilities Corporation, a corporation of the State of Florida (herein called "Shipper").

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, Shipper desires to obtain Firm Transportation Service ("FTS") from Company; and

WHEREAS, Company desires to provide Firm Transportation Service to Shipper in accordance with the terms hereof; and

WHEREAS, Company intends to construct an intrastate pipeline on behalf of Shipper, the origin of which will be a modified gate station with Florida Gas Transmission and the terminus of which will be the end of the existing Florida Public Utilities distribution system, allowing for Shipper's distribution meter to be placed into service near the intersection of Nolte Road and Hickory Tree Road (the "Pipeline").

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and of the mutual covenants and agreements herein contained, the sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, Company and Shipper do covenant and agree as follows:

ARTICLE I
DEFINITION

Unless otherwise defined in this Agreement, all definitions for terms used herein have the same meaning as provided in Company's Tariff.

"In-Service Date" means the date that PPC has commenced commercial operations of the Pipeline and that construction has been completed and that the Pipeline has been inspected and tested as required by applicable law.

"Targeted In-Service Date" means the approximately 6 months after construction has begun or a date mutually agreed to by the Parties.

ARTICLE II
QUANTITY & UNAUTHORIZED USE

2.1 The Maximum Daily Transportation Quantity ("MDTQ") and the Maximum Hourly Transportation Percentage ("MHTP") shall be set forth on Exhibit A attached hereto. The applicable MDTQ shall be the largest daily quantity of Gas,

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expressed in Dekatherms, which Company is obligated to transport on a firm basis and make available for delivery for the account of Shipper under this Agreement on any one Gas Day.

2.2 If, on any Day, Shipper utilizes transportation quantities, as measured at the Point(s) of Delivery, in excess of the established MDTQ, as shown on Exhibit A, such unauthorized use of transportation quantities (per Dekatherm) shall be billed at a rate of 2.0 times the rate to be charged for each Dekatherm of the MDTQ as set forth on Exhibit A of this Agreement.

ARTICLE III
FIRM TRANSPORTATION SERVICE RESERVATION
CHARGE

3.1 The Monthly Reservation Charge for Firm Transportation Service provided under this Agreement shall be as set forth on Exhibit A of this Agreement and shall be charged to Shipper beginning on the In-Service Date, and shall thereafter be assessed in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth herein.

3.2 The parties agree to execute and administratively file with the Commission an affidavit, in the form provided in Company's Tariff to comply with the provisions of the Natural Gas Transmission Pipeline Intrastate Regulatory Act.

3.3 If, at any time after the Execution Date (as herein defined) and throughout the term of this Agreement, the Company is required by any Governmental Authority (as that term is defined in Section 9.10) asserting jurisdiction over this Agreement and the transportation of Gas hereunder, to incur additional tax charges (including, without limitation, income taxes and property taxes) with regard to the service provided by Company under this Agreement, then Shipper's Monthly Reservation Charge shall be adjusted and Exhibit A updated accordingly, and the new Monthly Reservation Charge shall be implemented immediately upon the effective date of such action. If Shipper does not agree to the adjusted Monthly Reservation Charge, Company shall no longer be required to continue to provide the service contemplated in this Agreement should an action of a Governmental Authority result in a situation where Company otherwise would be required to provide transportation service at rates that are not just and reasonable, and in such event the Company shall have the right to terminate this Agreement pursuant to the conditions set forth in Section D of the Rules and Regulations of Company's Tariff.

3.4 If, at any time after the Execution Date (as herein defined) and throughout the term of this Agreement, the Company is required by any Governmental Authority (as that term is defined in Section 9.10) asserting jurisdiction over this Agreement and the transportation of Gas hereunder, to incur additional capital expenditures with regard to the service provided by Company under this Agreement, other than any capital expenditures required to provide transportation services to any other customer on the pipeline system

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serving Shipper's facility, but including, without limitation, mandated relocations of Company's pipeline facilities serving Shipper's facility and costs to comply with any changes in pipeline safety regulations, then Shipper's Monthly Reservation Charge shall be adjusted and Exhibit A updated accordingly, and the new Monthly Reservation Charge shall be implemented immediately upon the effective date of such action. If Shipper does not agree to the adjusted Monthly Reservation Charge, Company shall no longer be required to continue to provide the service contemplated in this Agreement should an action of a Governmental Authority result in a situation where Company otherwise would be required to provide transportation service at rates that are not just and reasonable, and in such event the Company shall have the right to terminate this Agreement pursuant to the conditions set forth in Section D of the Rules and Regulations of Company's Tariff.

ARTICLE IV
TERM AND TERMINATION

4.1 Subject to all other provisions, conditions, and limitations hereof, this Agreement shall be effective upon its date of execution by both parties (the "Execution Date") and shall continue in full force for an initial period of twenty (20) years from the In-Service Date ("Initial Term"). Thereafter, the Agreement shall be extended on a year to year basis (each a "Renewed Term" and, all Renewed Terms together with the Initial Term, the "Current Term"), unless either party gives written notice of termination to the other party, not less than (90) days prior to the expiration of the Current Term. This Agreement may only be terminated earlier in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement and the parties' respective rights under applicable law.

4.2 No less than 120 days before expiration of the Current Term, either party may request the opportunity to negotiate a modification of the rates or terms of this Agreement to be effective with the subsequent Renewed Term. Neither Party is obligated to, but may, agree to any mutually acceptable modification to the Agreement for the subsequent Renewed Term. In the event the parties reach agreement for a modification to the Agreement for the subsequent Renewed Term, such agreed upon modification ("Agreement Modification") shall be set forth in writing and signed by both parties prior to the expiration of the Current Term.

4.3 Any portion of this Agreement necessary to resolve monthly balancing and operational controls under this Agreement, pursuant to the Rules and Regulations of Company's Tariff, shall survive the other parts of this Agreement until such time as such monthly balancing and operational controls have been resolved.

4.4 In the event Shipper fails to pay for the service provided under this Agreement or otherwise fails to meet Company's standards for creditworthiness set forth in Section C of the Rules and Regulations of the Company's Tariff or otherwise violates the Rules and Regulations of Company's Tariff, or defaults on this Agreement, Company shall have the right to terminate this Agreement pursuant to the conditions set forth in Section D of the Rules and Regulations of Company's Tariff.

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ARTICLE V

COMPANY'S TARIFF PROVISIONS

5.1 Company's Tariff approved by the Commission, including any amendments thereto approved by the Commission during the term of this Agreement ("Company's Tariff"), is hereby incorporated into this Agreement and made a part hereof for all purposes. In the event of any conflict between Company's Tariff and the specific provisions of this Agreement, the latter shall prevail, in the absence of a Commission Order to the contrary.

ARTICLE VI
REGULATORY AUTHORIZATIONS AND APPROVALS

6.1 Company's obligation to provide service is conditioned upon receipt and acceptance of any necessary regulatory authorization to provide Firm Transportation Service for Shipper in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of Company's Tariff.

ARTICLE VII
DELIVERY POINT(S) AND POINT(S) OF DELIVERY

7.1 The Delivery Point(s) for all Gas delivered for the account of Shipper into Company's pipeline system under this Agreement, shall be as set forth on Exhibit A attached hereto.

7.2 The Point(s) of Delivery shall be as set forth on Exhibit A attached hereto.

7.3 Shipper shall cause Transporter to deliver to Company at the Delivery Point(s) on the Transporter's system, the quantities of Gas to be transported by Company hereunder. Company shall have no obligation for transportation of Shipper's Gas prior to receipt of such Gas from the Transporter at the Delivery Point(s), nor shall Company have any obligation to obtain capacity on Transporter for Shipper or on Shipper's behalf. The Company shall deliver such quantities of Gas received from the Transporter at the Delivery Point(s) for Shipper's account to Company's Point(s) of Delivery identified on Exhibit A.

ARTICLE VIII
SCHEDULING AND BALANCING

8.1 Shipper shall be responsible for nominating quantities of Gas to be delivered by the Transporter to the Delivery Point(s) and delivered by Company to the Point(s) of Delivery. Shipper shall promptly provide notice to Company of all such nominations. Imbalances between quantities (i) scheduled at the Delivery Point(s) and the Point(s) of Delivery, and (ii) actually delivered by the Transporter

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and/or Company hereunder, shall be resolved in accordance with the applicable provisions of Company's Tariff, as such provisions, and any amendments to such provisions, are approved by the Commission.

8.2 The parties hereto recognize the desirability of maintaining a uniform rate of flow of Gas to Shipper's facilities over each Gas Day throughout each Gas Month. Therefore, Company agrees to receive from the Transporter for Shipper's account at the Delivery Point(s) and deliver to the Point(s) of Delivery up to the MDTQ as described in Exhibit A, subject to any restrictions imposed by the Transporter and to the provisions of Article IX of this Agreement, and Shipper agrees to use reasonable efforts to regulate its deliveries from Company's pipeline system at a daily rate of flow not to exceed the applicable MDTQ for the Gas Month in question, subject to any additional restrictions imposed by the Transporter or by Company pursuant to Company's Tariff.

ARTICLE IX
MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

9.1 Notices and Other Communications. Any notice, request, demand, statement, or payment provided for in this Agreement, unless otherwise specified, shall be sent to the parties hereto at the following addresses:

Company:	Peninsula Pipeline Company, Inc. 500 Energy Lane, Suite 200 Dover, Delaware 19901 Attention: Contracts
Shipper:	Florida Public Utilities Company 208 Wildlight Avenue Yulee, Florida 32097 Attention: Contracts

9.2 Headings. All article headings, section headings and subheadings in this Agreement are inserted only for the convenience of the parties in identification of the provisions hereof and shall not affect any construction or interpretation of this Agreement.

9.3 Entire Agreement. This Agreement, including the Exhibit attached hereto, sets forth the full and complete understanding of the parties as of the Execution Date, and it supersedes any and all prior negotiations, agreements and understandings with respect to the subject matter hereof. No party shall be bound by any other obligations, conditions, or representations with respect to the subject matter of this Agreement.

9.4 Amendments. Neither this Agreement nor any of the terms hereof may be terminated, amended, supplemented, waived or modified except by an instrument

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in writing signed by the party against which enforcement of the termination, amendment, supplement, waiver or modification shall be sought. A change in (a) the place to which notices pursuant to this Agreement must be sent or (b) the individual designated as the Contact Person pursuant to Section 9.1 shall not be deemed nor require an amendment of this Agreement provided such change is communicated in accordance with Section 9.1 of this Agreement. Further, the parties expressly acknowledge that the limitations on amendments to this Agreement set forth in this section shall not apply to or otherwise limit the effectiveness of amendments that are or may be necessary to comply with the requirements of, or are otherwise approved by, the Commission or its successor agency or authority.

9.5 Severability. If any provision of this Agreement becomes or is declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be illegal, unenforceable or void, this Agreement shall continue in full force and effect without said provision; provided, however, that if such severability materially changes the economic benefits of this Agreement to either party, the parties shall negotiate in good faith an equitable adjustment in the provisions of this Agreement.

9.6 Waiver. No waiver of any of the provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed to be, nor shall it constitute, a waiver of any other provision whether similar or not. No single waiver shall constitute a continuing waiver, unless otherwise specifically identified as such in writing. No waiver shall be binding unless executed in writing by the party making the waiver.

9.7 Attorneys' Fees and Costs. In the event of any litigation between the parties arising out of or relating to this Agreement, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover all costs incurred and reasonable attorneys' fees, including attorneys' fees in all investigations, trials, bankruptcies, and appeals.

9.8 Independent Parties. Company and Shipper shall perform hereunder as independent parties. Neither Company nor Shipper is in any way or for any purpose, by virtue of this Agreement, a partner, joint venture, agent, employer or employee of the other. Nothing in this Agreement shall be for the benefit of any third person for any purpose, including, without limitation, the establishing of any type of duty, standard of care or liability with respect to any third person.

9.9 Assignment and Transfer. No assignment of this Agreement by either party may be made without the prior written approval of the other party (which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld) and unless the assigning or transferring party's assignee or transferee shall expressly assume, in writing, the duties and obligations under this Agreement of the assigning or transferring party. Upon such assignment or transfer, as well as assumption of the duties and obligations, the assigning or transferring party shall furnish or cause to be furnished to the other party a true and correct copy of such assignment or transfer and the assumption of duties and obligations.

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9.10 Governmental Authorizations; Compliance with Law. This Agreement shall be subject to all valid applicable state, local and federal laws, orders, directives, rules and regulations of any governmental body, agency or official having jurisdiction over this Agreement and the transportation of Gas hereunder. Company and Shipper shall comply at all times with all applicable federal, state, municipal, and other laws, ordinances and regulations. Company and/or Shipper will furnish any information or execute any documents required by any duly constituted federal or state regulatory authority in connection with the performance of this Agreement. Each party shall proceed with diligence to file any necessary applications with any governmental authorities for any authorizations necessary to carry out its obligations under this Agreement. In the event this Agreement or any provisions herein shall be found contrary to or in conflict with any applicable law, order, directive, rule or regulation, the latter shall be deemed to control, but nothing in this Agreement shall prevent either party from contesting the validity of any such law, order, directive, rule, or regulation, nor shall anything in this Agreement be construed to require either party to waive its respective rights to assert the lack of jurisdiction of any governmental agency other than the Commission, over this Agreement or any part thereof. In the event of such contestation, and unless otherwise prohibited from doing so under this Section 9.10, Company shall continue to transport and Shipper shall continue to take Gas pursuant to the terms of this Agreement. In the event any law, order, directive, rule, or regulation shall prevent either party from performing hereunder, then neither party shall have any obligation to the other during the period that performance under the Agreement is precluded. If, however, any Governmental Authority's modification to this Agreement or any other order issued, action taken, interpretation rendered, or rule implemented, will have a material adverse effect on the rights and obligations of the parties, including, but not limited to, the relative economic position of, and risks to, the parties as reflected in this Agreement, then, subject to the provisions of Sections 3.3 and 3.4 of this Agreement, the parties shall use reasonable efforts to agree upon replacement terms that are consistent with the relevant order or directive, and that maintain the relative economic position of, and risks to, the parties as reflected in this Agreement as of the Execution Date. As used herein, "Governmental Authority" shall mean any United States federal, state, local, municipal or other government; any governmental, regulatory or administrative agency, court, commission or other authority lawfully exercising or entitled to exercise any administrative, executive, judicial, legislative, police, regulatory or taxing authority or power; and any court or governmental tribunal.

- (i) If any Governmental Authority asserting jurisdiction over the pipeline facility contemplated in this Agreement, issues an order, ruling, decision or regulation not covered by Section 3.3 or 3.4 of this Agreement (including denial of necessary permits or amendments to existing permits) related to the operation, maintenance, location, or safety and integrity compliance, including any new or revised enforceable regulatory classification of the pipeline facility, as applicable, which is not reasonably foreseeable as of the Execution Date and which results in a materially adverse effect on either party's rights and benefits under this Agreement, each party shall use commercially reasonable efforts and shall cooperate with the other

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party to pursue all necessary permits, approvals and authorizations, if any, of such applicable Governmental Authority, and to amend the terms and conditions of this Agreement, in each case as may be reasonably required in order that provision of firm transportation service under this Agreement shall continue; provided that neither party shall be required to take any action pursuant to this Section which is reasonably likely to have a materially adverse effect on such party's rights and benefits under this Agreement.

(ii) If the Parties are unable or unwilling to reach agreement pursuant to this Section 9.10, Company shall have the right to terminate this Agreement, without any further obligations to Shipper, upon one hundred twenty (120) days prior written notice to Shipper.

9.11 Applicable Law and Venue. This Agreement and any dispute arising hereunder shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida. The venue for any action, at law or in equity, commenced by either party against the other and arising out of or in connection with this Agreement shall be in a court of the State of Florida having jurisdiction.

9.12 Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same instrument and each of which shall be deemed an original instrument as against any party who has signed it.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed by their duly authorized officers or representatives.

COMPANY
Peninsula Pipeline Company, Inc.

SHIPPER
Florida Public Utilities Company

By: Bill Hancock
Bill Hancock

By: Jeff Sylvester
Jeff S. Sylvester

Title: Assistant Vice President

Title: Senior Vice President & COO

Date: June 20, 2022

Date: 6/20/2022

(To be attested by the corporate secretary if not signed by an officer of the company)

By: _____

By: _____

Title: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

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EXHIBIT A TO
FIRM TRANSPORTATION SERVICE AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

PENINSULA PIPELINE COMPANY, INC.

AND

FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMPANY

June 20, 2022

<u>Description of Transporter Delivery Point(s)</u>	<u>Description of Point(s) of Delivery</u>	<u>MDTQ, in Dekatherms, excluding Fuel Retention</u>
St Cloud Gate Station interconnecting with Florida Gas Transmission Pipeline	At or near the intersection of Hickory Tree Road and Nolte Road	██████ Dt/Day

Total MDTQ (Dekatherms): ██████ Dt/Day

MHTP: 4.17%

Monthly Reservation Charge: \$██████ (██████/DeKatherm). This charge is subject to
adjustment pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.

