

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Purchased Gas Adjustment) DOCKET NO. 950003-GU
(PGA) True-Up) ORDER NO. PSC-95-0350-FOF-GU
_____) ISSUED: March 14, 1995

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FPSC-RECORDS/REPORTING

**FINAL ORDER APPROVING PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT TRUE-UP
AMOUNTS AND ESTABLISHING PURCHASED GAS COST RECOVERY FACTORS
TO BE APPLIED DURING THE PERIOD APRIL 1995 THROUGH MARCH, 1996**

BY THE COMMISSION:

As part of the continuing fuel cost recovery, oil backout cost recovery, conservation cost recovery, environmental cost recovery and purchased gas cost recovery proceedings, pursuant to notice, a hearing was held in this docket and in Dockets No. 950001-EI, 950002-EG and 950007-EI on March 8 and 9, 1995.

Chesapeake Utilities Corporation, Florida Division (CUC), City Gas Company (CGC), Florida Public Utilities Company (FPUC) Indiantown Gas Company (IGC), Peoples Gas System, Inc. (PGS), Sebring Gas System, Inc. (SGS), St. Joe Natural Gas Company (SJNG), South Florida Natural Gas Company (SFNG), and West Florida Natural Gas Company (WFNG) submitted testimony and exhibits in support of their proposed net true-up amounts, projected end-of-period net true-up amounts and their purchased gas cost recovery factors. At the Prehearing Conference, Staff, the Office of Public Counsel, all of the intervenors and the utilities reached agreement as to the appropriate true-up amounts and recovery factors for each of the utilities. The case was presented to the panel as a stipulation.

Adjusted True-ups, Projected True-ups and Cost Recovery Factors

The parties stipulated to the purchased gas cost recovery true-up amounts for the various periods, and the appropriate factors to be applied during the April, 1995, through March, 1996, period. We accept the stipulations as reasonable and supported by competent substantial evidence of record.

We find that the appropriate final purchased gas adjustment true-up amounts for the period October, 1993, through March, 1994, are as follows:

Chesapeake Utilities Corporation	\$ 217,225	Overrecovery
City Gas Company of Florida	\$1,173,451	Underrecovery
Florida Public Utilities	\$ 576,660	Underrecovery
Indiantown Gas Company	\$ 19,297	Underrecovery
Peoples Gas System, Inc.	\$ 326,822	Overrecovery
Sebring Gas System, Inc.	\$ 15,202	Overrecovery
St. Joe Natural Gas Company	\$ 3,877	Underrecovery

South Florida Natural Gas Company	\$ 38,346	Underrecovery
West Florida Natural Gas Company	\$ 280,069	Underrecovery

We find that the estimated purchased gas adjustment true-up amounts for the period April, 1994, through March, 1995, are as follows:

Chesapeake Utilities Corporation	\$ 254,409	Overrecovery
City Gas Company of Florida	\$1,204,067	Overrecovery
Florida Public Utilities	\$1,976,191	Overrecovery
Indiantown Gas Company	\$ 36,804	Overrecovery
Peoples Gas System, Inc.	\$ 16,738	Overrecovery
Sebring Gas System, Inc.	\$ 4,204	Underrecovery
St. Joe Natural Gas Company	\$ 8,348	Underrecovery
South Florida Natural Gas Company	\$ 183,178	Overrecovery
West Florida Natural Gas Company	\$ 759,772	Overrecovery

We find that the appropriate total purchased gas adjustment true-up amounts to be collected during the period April, 1995, through March, 1996, are as follows:

Chesapeake Utilities Corporation	\$ 471,634	Overrecovery
City Gas Company of Florida	\$ 30,616	Overrecovery
Florida Public Utilities	\$1,399,531	Overrecovery
Indiantown Gas Company	\$ 17,507	Overrecovery
Peoples Gas System, Inc.	\$ 343,560	Overrecovery
Sebring Gas System, Inc.	\$ 10,998	Overrecovery
St. Joe Natural Gas Company	\$ 12,225	Underrecovery
South Florida Natural Gas Company	\$ 144,832	Overrecovery
West Florida Natural Gas Company	\$ 479,703	Overrecovery

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We find that the appropriate levelized purchased gas cost recovery (cap) factors for the period April, 1995, through March, 1996, are as follows:

Chesapeake Utilities Corporation	37.675 cents per therm
City Gas Company of Florida	38.785 cents per therm
Florida Public Utilities	40.211 cents per therm
Indiantown Gas Company	29.743 cents per therm
Peoples Gas System, Inc.	32.844 cents per therm
Sebring Gas System, Inc.	40.193 cents per therm
St. Joe Natural Gas Company	30.600 cents per therm
South Florida Natural Gas Company	21.077 cents per therm
West Florida Natural Gas Company	35.700 cents per therm

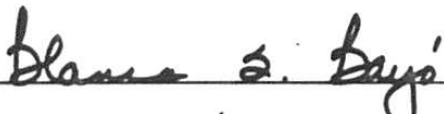
We find that the factors shall be effective for all meter readings on or after April 1, 1995, beginning with the first or applicable billing cycle for the period April, 1995, through March, 1996.

In consideration of the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the findings and stipulations set forth in the body of this Order are hereby approved. It is further

ORDERED that the utilities named herein are authorized to collect the purchased gas cost recovery amounts and utilize the factors approved herein for bills rendered for meter readings taken between April 1, 1995, through March 31, 1996.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 14th day of March, 1995.



BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Director
Division of Records and Reporting

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NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.59(4), Florida Statutes, to notify parties of any administrative hearing or judicial review of Commission orders that is available under Sections 120.57 or 120.68, Florida Statutes, as well as the procedures and time limits that apply. This notice should not be construed to mean all requests for an administrative hearing or judicial review will be granted or result in the relief sought.

Any party adversely affected by the Commission's final action in this matter may request: 1) reconsideration of the decision by filing a motion for reconsideration with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting within fifteen (15) days of the issuance of this order in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code; or 2) judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility or the First District Court of Appeal in the case of a water and/or wastewater utility by filing a notice of appeal with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting and filing a copy of the notice of appeal and the filing fee with the appropriate court. This filing must be completed within thirty (30) days after the issuance of this order, pursuant to Rule 9.110, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure. The notice of appeal must be in the form specified in Rule 9.900 (a), Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.