

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Natural gas conservation  
cost recovery.

DOCKET NO. 010004-GU  
ORDER NO. PSC-01-2388-FOF-GU  
ISSUED: December 11, 2001

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of  
this matter:

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ORDER APPROVING NATURAL GAS CONSERVATION COST RECOVERY AMOUNTS  
AND ESTABLISHING CONSERVATION COST RECOVERY FACTORS TO BE  
APPLIED DURING THE PERIOD JANUARY 2002 THROUGH DECEMBER 2002

I. Case Background

As part of this Commission's ongoing gas conservation cost recovery, an administrative hearing was held on November 20, 2001, in this docket. Prior to the hearing, the parties reached agreement on all issues. Accordingly, all issues presented were stipulated. We accept and approve the stipulations as reasonable.

II. Generic Conservation Cost Recovery Issues

A. Final End of Period True-Up Amounts for the Period January 2000 through December 2000

We approve as reasonable the following stipulation for the final end-of-period true-up amounts for the period January 2000 through December 2000:

CUC:	\$ 3,560	Over Recovery
CGC:	\$ 631,578	Over Recovery
FPUC:	\$ 79,242	Under Recovery
PGS:	\$ 443,731	Over Recovery
PGWF:	\$ 758,566	Under Recovery
SJNG:	\$ 11,331	Under Recovery

B. Conservation Cost Recovery Factors for the Period January 2002 through December 2002

We approve as reasonable the following stipulation as to the appropriate energy conservation cost recovery factors for the period January 2002 through December 2002:

CUC: <u>Rate Class</u>	<u>ECCR Factor</u>
GS1/TS-1	13.125 cents/therm
GS2/TS-2	6.481 cents/therm
GS3/TS-3	4.821 cents/therm
GS4/TS-4	3.831 cents/therm

GS5/TS-5	3.349 cents/therm
GS6/TS-6	2.669 cents/therm
GS7/TS-7	1.673 cents/therm
GS8/TS-8	1.402 cents/therm
GS9/TS-9	1.321 cents/therm

<u>CGC: Rate Class</u>	<u>Factor</u>
Residential (RS, ED & GL)	4.983 cents/therm
Commercial (CS, ED & SCTS)	1.428 cents/therm
Commercial Large Volume (LCS & CTS)	0.946 cents/therm
Industrial (IP & ITS)	0.863 cents/therm

<u>FPUC: Rate Class</u>	<u>ECCR Factor</u>
Residential	0.09068 cents/therm
Commercial (Sm. Vol.)	0.03473 cents/therm
Commercial (Lg. Vol.)	0.02324 cents/therm
Large Vol. Transportation	0.2324 cents/therm

<u>PGS: Rate Class</u>	<u>ECCR Factor</u>
Residential	6.023 cents/therm
Small Commercial	5.243 cents/therm
Commercial	2.202 cents/therm
Commercial (Lg. Vol. I)	1.794 cents/therm
Commercial (Lg. Vol. II)	1.302 cents/therm
Street Lighting	0.760 cents/therm
NGVS	0.594 cents/therm

<u>PGWF: Rate Class</u>	<u>ECCR Factor</u>
Residential	12.793 cents/therm
Commercial	4.024 cents/therm
Commercial (Lg. Vol.)	3.021 cents/therm
Industrial	2.973 cents/therm

<u>SJNG: Rate Class</u>	<u>ECCR Factor</u>
Residential	3.012 cents/therm
Commercial	2.581 cents/therm
Commercial (Lg. Vol.)	1.195 cents/therm

C. Effective Date of Cost Recovery Factors for Billing Purposes

We approve as reasonable, the following stipulation for the effective date of the cost recovery factors for billing purposes:

The factors should be effective beginning with the specified conservation cost recovery cycle and thereafter for the period January, 2002, through December, 2002. Billing cycles may start before January 1, 2002, and the last cycle may be read after December 31, 2002, so that each customer is billed for twelve months regardless of when the adjustment factor becomes effective.

III. Company Specific Issue

A. Florida Public Utilities Company (FPUC)

- i. Treatment of promotional advertising items and television commercial advertising.

We find it appropriate for FPUC to recover \$16,132 for advertising.

Based on the foregoing, it is

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

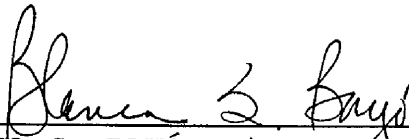
ORDERED that the utilities named herein are authorized to collect the natural gas conservation cost recovery amounts and use the factors approved herein for the period beginning with the specified conservation cost recovery cycle and thereafter for the period January 1, 2002, through December 31, 2002. Billing cycles may start before January 1, 2002, and the last cycle may be read

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after December 31, 2002, so that each customer is billed for twelve months regardless of when the adjustment factor became effective. It is further

ORDERED that Florida Public Utilities Company is authorized to recover \$16,132 for advertising.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this 11th day of December, 2001.

  
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BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Director  
Division of the Commission Clerk  
and Administrative Services

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NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.569(1), 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.

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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 the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, 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 the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services 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.