

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Natural gas conservation cost recovery.

DOCKET NO. 130004-GU
ORDER NO. PSC-13-0613-FOF-GU
ISSUED: November 20, 2013

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

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FINAL ORDER APPROVING NATURAL GAS CONSERVATION COST RECOVERY
AMOUNTS AND ESTABLISHING CONSERVATION COST RECOVERY FACTORS
FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 2014 THROUGH DECEMBER 2014

As part of our continuing natural gas conservation cost recovery proceedings, an administrative hearing was held on November 4, 2013, in this docket. Florida Division of Chesapeake Utilities Corporation (CUC), Florida Public Utilities Company (FPUC), Florida Public Utilities Company – Indiantown Division (Indiantown), Florida City Gas (FCG), Sebring Gas System, Inc. (Sebring), Peoples Gas System (PGS), and St. Joe Natural Gas Company (SJNG) submitted testimony and exhibits in support of their proposed final and estimated true-up amounts and their conservation cost recovery factors. Prior to the hearing, the parties reached agreement concerning all issues identified for resolution at the hearing. The Office of the Public Counsel took no position on all the issues. These issues were presented to us as stipulations. We have jurisdiction over the subject matter by the provisions of Chapter 366, Florida Statutes (F.S.), including Sections 366.04, 366.05, and 366.06, F.S.

The parties stipulated to the final and estimated true-up amounts and purchased gas cost recovery factors appropriate for each utility. We accept and approve the stipulations as reasonable and supported by competent, substantial evidence of record, as set forth below.

We find that the appropriate final conservation cost recovery true-up amounts for the period January 2012 through December 2012 are as follows:

Chesapeake (CUC)	\$35,777	Over-recovery
Florida City Gas (FCG)	\$997,839	Over-recovery
Florida Public Utilities Company (FPUC)	\$292,947	Over-recovery
Indiantown Gas Company (Indiantown)	\$11,665	Over-recovery
Peoples Gas System (PGS)	\$1,339,254	Under-recovery
St. Joe Natural Gas (SJNG)	\$78,459	Under-recovery
Sebring Gas System, Inc. (Sebring)	\$25,707	Over-recovery

We find that the appropriate total conservation cost recovery amounts to be collected during the period January 2014 through December 2014 are as follows:

Chesapeake (CUC)	\$1,027,942
Florida City Gas (FCG)	\$4,235,123
Florida Public Utilities Company (FPUC)	\$3,079,774
Indiantown Gas Company (Indiantown)	\$16,403
Peoples Gas System (PGS)	\$13,476,152
St. Joe Natural Gas (SJNG)	\$104,680
Sebring Gas System, Inc. (Sebring)	\$36,198

We find that the appropriate conservation cost recovery factors for the period January 2014 through December 2014 are as follows:

CUC	Rate Class	ECCR Factor
	FTS-A	21.947 cents/therm
	FTS-B	16.878 cents/therm
	FTS-1	13.968 cents/therm
	FTS-2	7.993 cents/therm
	FTS-2.1	5.609 cents/therm
	FTS-3	4.890 cents/therm
	FTS-3.1	3.889 cents/therm
	FTS-4	3.255 cents/therm
	FTS-5	2.830 cents/therm
	FTS-6	2.012 cents/therm
	FTS-7	1.636 cents/therm
	FTS-8	1.476 cents/therm
	FTS-9	1.220 cents/therm
	FTS-10	1.103 cents/therm
	FTS-11	1.018 cents/therm
	FTS-12	0.734 cents/therm

In accordance with Order No. PSC-07-0427-TRF-GU, issued May 15, 2007, in Docket No. 060675-GU, optional fixed rates are available to CUC customers in the following rate schedules:

CUC	Rate Class	ECCR Factor (\$ per bill)
	FTS-A	1.45
	FTS-B	1.90
	FTS-1	2.44
	FTS-2	4.79
	FTS-2.1	7.14
	FTS-3	17.50
	FTS-3.1	22.88
FCG	Rate Class	ECCR Factor
	GS-1, GS-100, GS-220	13.084 cents/therm
	GS-600	6.551 cents/therm
	GS-1200	3.874 cents/therm
	GS-6000	3.212 cents/therm
	GS-25000	3.189 cents/therm
	GS-60000	3.134 cents/therm
	GS-120000	2.208 cents/therm
	GS-250000	1.997 cents/therm
	Gas Lights	6.213 cents/therm
FPUC	Rate Class	ECCR Factor
	Residential	9.256 cents/therm
	General Service & GS Transportation (GS1)	5.062 cents/therm
	General Service & GS Transportation (GS2)	4.693 cents/therm
	Large Volume Service	3.655 cents/therm
	LV Transportation < 50,000	3.655 cents/therm
	LV Transportation > 50,000	3.655 cents/therm
	Fort Meade Residential	9.256 cents/therm
	Fort Meade Commercial (GS&GS Transp.)	5.062 cents/therm
	Fort Meade (LV&LV Transp.)	3.655 cents/therm

Indiantown	Rate Class	ECCR Factor
	TS-1	2.4690 cents/therm
	TS-2	0.4290 cents/therm
	TS-3	1.2700 cents/therm
	TS-4	0.1200 cents/therm
PGS	Rate Class	ECCR Factor
	RS	8.253 cents/therm
	RS-SG	8.253 cents/therm
	SGS	5.567 cents/therm
	GS-1 & CS-SG	2.613 cents/therm
	GS-2	1.900 cents/therm
	GS-3	1.574 cents/therm
	GS-4	1.180 cents/therm
	GS-5	0.866 cents/therm
	CSLS	1.385 cents/therm
	NGVS	1.713 cents/therm
SJNG	Rate Class	ECCR Factor
	RS-1	23.774 cents/therm
	RS-2	15.696 cents/therm
	RS-3	12.258 cents/therm
	GS-1	11.254 cents/therm
	GS-2	4.466 cents/therm
	FTS-4	2.049 cents/therm
Sebring	Rate Class	ECCR Factor
	TS-1	11.993 cents/therm
	TS-2	6.088 cents/therm
	TS-3	4.448 cents/therm
	TS-4	3.793 cents/therm

The factors should be effective beginning with the specified conservation cost recovery cycle and thereafter for the period January 2014 through December 2014. Billing cycles may start before January 1, 2014, and the last cycle may be read after December 31, 2014, so that each customer is billed for twelve (12) months regardless of when the adjustment factor became effective.

Based on the foregoing, it is

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

ORDERED that each utility that was a party to this docket shall abide by the stipulations, findings, and rulings herein which are applicable to it. It is further

ORDERED that the utilities named herein are authorized to collect the natural gas conservation cost recovery amounts and utilize the factors approved herein for the period beginning with the specified conservation cost recovery cycle and thereafter for the period January 2014 through December 2014. Billing cycles may start before January 1, 2014, and the last cycle may be read after December 31, 2014, so that each customer is billed for twelve months regardless of when the adjustment factor became effective.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this 20th day of November, 2013.



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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 Office of Commission Clerk, 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 Office of Commission Clerk, 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.