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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Conservation Cost)
Recovery Clause)
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Docket No. 960002-EG
Submitted for filing
January 16, 1996

PETITION OF ST JOE NATURAL GAS COMPANY, INC.
FOR APPROVAL OF PROPOSED CONSERVATION COST
RECOVERY CHARGES

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St. Joe Natural Gas Company, Inc. ("SJNG") by and through its undersigned officer, hereby petitions the Commission for approval of its proposed conservation cost recovery factors and amounts as further identified below. In support hereof the company states:

- 1. The Name of the petitioner and the mailing address of its principal office is:

St. Joe Natural Gas Company, Inc.
P.O. Box 549
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- 2. The name and mailing address of the person authorized to receive notices and communications to this petition is:

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- 3. Pursuant to the requirements of this docket, SJNG has prepared testimony and the conservation true-up forms supplied by the Commission Staff in a manner consistent with the Staff's instructions.

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4. The Conservation Cost Recovery Factor was calculated in accordance with the methodology which has been previously approved by the Commission in this docket. The factor is designed to recover the projected conservation program expenses of **SJNG** for the twelve month period ending March 31, 1997 adjusted for the net true-up (which includes the estimated conservation true-up for the six month period ending September 30, 1995), as well as interest calculated in accordance with the methodology established by the Commission.

5. **SJNG** projects total conservation program expenses, net of all programs revenue of \$16,000.00 for the six month period ending March 31, 1997. The estimated net true-up for the twelve months ending September 30, 1996 is an overrecovery of \$11,380.00. After decreasing the projected conservation expenses by the amount of this overrecovery, a total of \$4,620.00 remains to be collected during the twelve months ending March 31, 1997. Dividing this total by the projected sales for the period of 964,206 therms, and expanding for taxes, results in the conservation adjustment factor of

\$0.00494 per therm for residential, \$0.00791 per therm for commercial and \$0.00418 for large commercial respectively which SJNG seeks approval in this petition. The calculation of these factors per therm are contained in the Commission prescribed worksheets filed with this petition.

WHEREFORE, St. Joe Natural Gas Company, Inc. requests that this Commission enter its order approving the above conservation cost recovery factors to be applied to the appropriate customer bills during the twelve month period ending March 31, 1997 and to customer bills thereafter until other conservation cost recovery factors are approved by the Commission.

Dated this 16th day of January 1996.

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