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ST. JOE NATURAL GAS COMPANY, INC.

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February 1, 1996

Blanco S Bayo, Director
Division of Record and Reporting
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, Fl. 32399-0850

Re: Docket No. 960003-GU
Purchased Gas Cost Recovery
for period ending March 31, 1997

Dear Ms. Bayo,

Enclosed for filing in the above referenced docket are an original and fifteen (15) copies of St. Joe Natural Gas Company's:

1. Preliminary Issues and Positions
2. Certificate of Service

Please acknowledge receipt of these documents by stamping the extra copy of this letter which is also enclosed.

Thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

Stuart L. Shoaf
Stuart L. Shoaf
President

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ST. JOE NATURAL GAS COMPANY'S
PRELIMINARY LIST OF ISSUES AND POSITIONS
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St. Joe Natural Gas Company, Inc. (SJNG) by and through its undersigned officer, hereby submits its Preliminary List of Issues and Postitions to be taken up at the Hearing now scheduled to begin the week of February 21, 1996.

Issue #1: What is SJNG's appropriate final purchased gas adjustment true-up amount for the period April 1994 through March 1995:

SJNG's Position: \$47,299 underrecovery.

Issue #2: What is the estimated purchased gas adjustment true-up amount for the period of April 1995 through March 1996?

SJNG's Position: \$55,504.00 underrecovery.

Issue #3: What is the total purchased gas adjustment true-up amount to be collected during the period of April 1996 through March 1997?

SJNG's Position: \$94,454 underrrecovery.

Issue #4: What is the appropriate levelized purchased gas adjustment recovery (cap) factor for the period April, 1996 through March, 1997?

SJNG's Position: 34.600 recovery (cap) factor

Issue #5: What should be the effective date of the new purchased gas adjustment charge for billing purposes?

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Continued Preliminary Issues and Positions:

SJNG's Position: The effective date for the new purchased gas
adjustment charge should be April 1, 1996.

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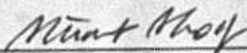
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
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I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Preliminary Issues and Positions filed on behalf of St. Joe Natural Gas Company has been served upon all known parties of record on this 1st day of February 1996.



Stuart L. Shoaf, President


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