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Re: Application for rate increase by City Gas Company of Florida
Docket No.: 960502-GU

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing and distribution are the original and fifteen copies of City Gas Company of Florida's Response to Staff's Motion for In Camera Inspection and Request for Oral Argument in the above docket.

Please acknowledge receipt of the above on the extra copy enclosed herein and return it to me. Thank you for your assistance.

Yours truly,

Joe McGlothlin
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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition of City Gas Company)
of Florida for an Increase in its)
Rates and Charges.)

Docket No. 960502-GU
Filed: October 23, 1996

**City Gas Company of Florida's
Request for Oral Argument**

Pursuant to rule 25-22.058, Florida Administrative Code, City Gas Company of Florida (City Gas or the Company), requests oral argument on Staff's pending motion to compel, motion for in camera inspection, and the Company's request for a protective order.

In view of the sensitive nature of the document that is the subject of the pending motions, the potential impact of Staff's motions on the progress of the pending rate case, and the precedential impact of the ruling both in this forum and others, City Gas believes the Prehearing Officer will benefit from oral argument on the issues raised.

WHEREFORE, City Gas requests expedited oral argument on the pending discovery motions.


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I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Request for Oral Argument has been furnished by hand delivery (*) or U.S. Mail to the following parties of record, this 23rd day of October, 1996:

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