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Ms. Blanca Bayo, Director  
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**HAND DELIVERY**

Re: South Florida Natural Gas Company; Docket No. 960003-GU

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of South Florida Natural Gas Company in connection with the hearings scheduled to begin February 19, 1997 in this docket are the original and 15 copies of the following:

1. Petition for Approval of South Florida Natural Gas Company's Purchased Gas Cost Recovery True-Up Amount; *12303-96 - 11/19/96*

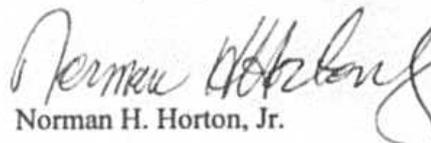
2. Direct Testimony of Lou Defrain; and

3. Schedules A-1 through A-7 consisting of 101 pages.)

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Please acknowledge receipt of these documents by stamping the enclosed extra copy of this letter. Thank you for your assistance.

Yours very truly,

  
Norman H. Horton, Jr.

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Enclosures

cc: Parties of Record  
Mr. Lou J. Defrain  
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Ms. Marcilee Masters  
Mr. J. Peter Martin

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Purchased Gas )  
Adjustment Cost Recovery )  
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Docket No. 960003-GU  
Filed: November 19, 1996

PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF  
SOUTH FLORIDA NATURAL GAS COMPANY'S  
PURCHASED GAS COST RECOVERY TRUE-UP AMOUNT

South Florida Natural Gas Company ("the Company"), through undersigned counsel and pursuant to the requirements of this docket, hereby petitions the Commission to approve its purchased gas cost recovery true-up amount for the period April, 1995 through March, 1996. In support hereof, the Company states:

1) The Company is a natural gas utility company within the jurisdiction of this Commission. Its principal business address is:

South Florida Natural Gas Company  
P.O. Box 248  
New Smyrna Beach, FL 32069

2) The name and address of the person authorized to receive notices and communications with respect to this Petition are:

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Pursuant to the requirements of this Docket, the Company has prefiled testimony and the purchased gas cost recovery true-up forms (Composite Exhibit LD-1) supplied by the Commission Staff in a manner consistent with the Commission Staff's instructions.

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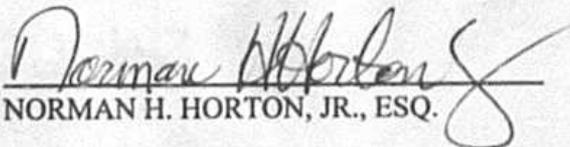
4) As indicated in the prefiled testimony and true-up forms, the Company overrecovered \$31,854 for April, 1995 through March, 1996.

WHEREFORE, the Company respectfully requests that this Commission enter its order approving the Company's true-up amount for the period April, 1995 through March, 1996.

DATED this 19th day of November, 1996.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that true and correct copies of South Florida Natural Gas Company's Petition for Approval of Purchase Gas Recovery True-up Amount together with accompanying schedules and testimony in Docket No. 960003-GU have been served by hand delivery (\*) and/or U. S. Mail this 19th day of November, 1996 upon the following:

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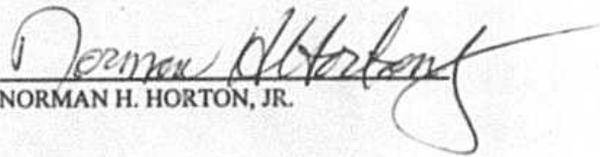
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