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**BY HAND DELIVERY**

Re: Docket No. 970003-GU; South Florida Natural Gas Company

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of South Florida Natural Gas Company in connection with the hearings to begin February 25, 1998 in this docket are an original and 10 copies of the Petition for Approval of South Florida Natural Gas Company's Purchased Gas Cost Recovery True-Up Amount.

Please indicate receipt of this document by stamping the enclosed extra copy of this letter

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

*Norman H. Horton, Jr.*  
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## BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Purchased Gas )  
 Adjustment Cost Recovery )  
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Docket No. 970003-GU  
 Filed: November 19, 1997

**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:

Norman H. Horton, Jr.,  
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3) 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 over/recovered \$38,889 for April, 1996 through March, 1997.

WHEREFORE, the Company respectfully requests that this Commission enter its order approving the Company's true-up amount for the period April, 1996 through March, 1997.

DATED this 19th day of November, 1997.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that true and correct copies of South Florida Natural Gas Company's Purchased Gas Cost Recovery True-Up Amount in Docket No. 970003-GU have been served by hand delivery (\*) and/or U. S. Mail this 19th day of November, 1997 upon the following:

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