



ST. JOE NATURAL GAS COMPANY, INC.

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January 9, 1998

Blanca Bayo, Director  
Division of Records and Reporting  
Florida Public Service Commission  
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Re: Docket No. ~~980002-EG~~

Dear Ms. Bayo,

Enclosed for filing in the above referenced docket is the original and ten (10) copies of St Joe Natural Gas Company's Petition for approval of its Conservation Cost Recovery Factor to be applied to customer bills during the twelve month period ending March 31, 1999. 00559-98

1. Schedules C-1 through C-4 00540-98
2. Direct Testimony of Debbie Stitt
3. Prehearing Statement and; 00561-98
4. List of Issues and Positions 00562-98

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

Thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

*Debbie Stitt*

Debbie Stitt  
Energy Conservation Analyst

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Conservation Cost )  
Recovery Clause )  
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Docket No. 980002-EG  
Submitted for filing  
January 12, 1998

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  
Port St. Joe, Florida 32457-0549

2. The name and mailing address of the person authorized to receive notices and communications to this petition is:

Debbie Stitt, Energy Conservation Analyst  
St. Joe Natural Gas Company, Inc.  
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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, 1999 adjusted for the net true-up (which includes the estimated conservation true-up for the Twelve month period ending September 30, 1997), as well as interest calculated in accordance with the methodology established by the Commission.

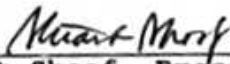
5. **SJNG** projects total conservation program expenses, net of all programs revenue of \$22,000.00 for the six month period ending March 31, 1999. The estimated net true-up for the twelve months ending September 30, 1998 is an underrecovery of \$6,548.00. After increasing the projected conservation expenses by the amount of this underrecovery, a total of \$28,548.00 remains to be collected during the twelve months ending March 31, 1999. Dividing this total by the projected sales for the period of 1,001,479 therms, and expanding for taxes, results in the conservation adjustment factor of

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\$0.03140 per therm for residential, \$0.04283 per therm for commercial and \$0.01690 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, 1999 and to customer bills thereafter until other conservation cost recovery factors are approved by the Commission.

Dated this 12th day of January 1998.

  
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