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Ms. Blanca S. Bayo, Director Division of Records and Reporting Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Betty Easley Conference Center Room 110 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Re: Docket No. 980003-GU

Dear Ms. Bayo:

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Enclosed herewith for filing in the above-referenced docket on behalf of Florida Public Utilities Company ("FPU") are the following documents:

Original and fifteen copies of FPU's Preliminary List of Issues, and

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Purchased Gas Adjustment)	Docket No. 980003-GU
(PGA) True-Up)	Filed: October 26, 1998
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FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMPANY'S PRELIMINARY LIST OF ISSUES AND POSITIONS

Florida Public Utilities Company ("FPU"), by and through its undersigned counsel, submits its preliminary list of issues and positions in connection with the hearing that is scheduled for November 23-25, 1998 in the above-styled docket.

ISSUES AND POSITIONS

Issue 1: What is the appropriate final purchased gas adjustment true-up amount for the period April, 1997 through March 1998?

FPU's Position: \$516,932 under-recovery.

Issue 2: What is the estimated purchased gas adjustment true-up amount for the period April, 1998 through December, 1998?

FPU's Position: \$783,287 over-recovery.

Issue 3: What is the total purchased gas adjustment true-up amount to be refunded during the period January, 1999 through December, 1999?

FPU's Position: \$266,305 over-recovery.

Issue 4: What is the appropriate levelized purchased gas cost recovery (cap) factor the period January, 1999 through December, 1999?

FPU's Position: 49.397 cents-per-therm.

<u>Issue 5</u>: What should be the effective date of the new purchased gas adjustment charge for billing purposes?

FPU's Position:

The factor should be effective for all meter readings on or after January 1, 1999, beginning with the first or applicable billing cycle for the period January, 1999 through December, 1999.

DOCUMENT SESSER-DATE

Dated this 26th day of October, 1998.

Respectfully submitted,

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