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

> South Florida Natural Gas Company; Docket No. 980003-GU Re:

Dear Ms. Bayo:

RECEIVED & FILED

Enclosed for filing on behalf of South Florida Natural Gas Company in connection with the hearings scheduled to begin November 23, 1998 in this docket are the original and 10 copies of the Prehearing Statement. Also enclosed is a diskette with the document on it in WordPerfect 6.1 format.

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

Yours very truly,

-Enclosures

Mr. Al Kara CAF Ms. Anne V. Wood

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#### BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re:	Purchased Gas Adjustment	)	Docket No. 980003-GU
	(PGA) True-up	)	

# PREHEARING STATEMENT OF SOUTH FLORIDA NATURAL GAS FLORIDA DIVISION

South Florida Natural Gas ("SFNG") submits this Prehearing Statement for the hearing scheduled in November, 1998.

# a) WITNESSES:

Witness		Subject Matter	Issues
1.	A. Kara	Purchased Gas Adjustment	1, 2,
	(SFNG)	Factor, True-up, and	3, 4
		Projections	

#### b) EXHIBITS:

Exhibit Number	Witness	Description
AK-1 (Composite)	Kara	April 1997 - March 1998 True-Up, Schedules A-1 through A-7
AK-2 (Composite)	Kara	January 1999 - December 1999 PGA Factor, Schedules E-1 through E-5

# c) STATEMENT OF BASIC POSITION

#### SFNG'S STATEMENT OF BASIC POSITION:

The appropriate over (under) recovery amounts and purchased gas adjustment factor are as shown in the Company's positions on Issues 1 - 4.

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### d) STATEMENT OF ISSUES AND POSITIONS: (Questions of Fact)

Issue 1:

What is the appropriate final purchased gas adjustment true-up

amount for the period April, 1997 through March, 1998?

SFNG'S Position:

\$19,668 underrecovery. (Kara)

Issue 2:

What is the estimated purchased gas adjustment true-up amount for

the period April, 1998 through December, 1998?

SFNG's Position:

\$101,779 overrecovery. (Kara)

Issue 3:

What is the total purchased gas adjustment true-up amount to be

collected in the January, 1999 through December, 1999 period?

SFNG's Position:

\$82,111 overrrecovery. (Kara)

Issue 4:

What is the appropriate levelized purchased gas cost recovery (cap)

factor to be charged during the period January, 1999 through

December, 1999?

SFNG's Position:

30.644 cents per therm. (Kara)

e) <u>QUESTIONS OF LAW</u>:

None.

f) POLICY OUESTIONS:

None.

g) STIPULATED ISSUES:

None.

h) MOTIONS

None.

OTHER MATTERS:

None.

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Dated this 2nd day of November, 1998.

R\_spectfully submitted, MESSER, CAPARELLO, & SELF, P.A. 215 S. Monroe St. Suite 701, First Florida Bank Building Post Office Box 1876 Tallahassee, Florida 32302-1876

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#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that true and correct copies of South Florida Natural Gas Company's Prehearing Statement in Docket No. 980003-GU have been served by hand delivery (\*) and/or U. S. Mail this 2nd day of November, 1998 upon the following:

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