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

HAND DELIVERY

Re: Docket No. 990003-GU  
Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) true-up

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed on behalf of Chesapeake Utilities Corporation for filing in the above docket are an original and fifteen (15) copies of the following:

1. Amended Petition for Approval of Purchased Gas Adjustment Factor; 12708-99
2. Amended Direct Testimony of James A. Williams; 12709-99
3. Amended Exhibit JAW-1; 12710-99
4. Amended Exhibit JAW-2; 12711-99
5. Preliminary Statement of Issues and Positions; 12712-99
6. Prehearing Statement; and 12713-99
7. my Certificate of Service.

The Prehearing Statement is also submitted herewith on diskette, together with a statement of disk/file specifications.

Please acknowledge receipt of the foregoing by stamping the enclosed extra copy of this letter and returning same to my attention. Thank you for your assistance.

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Sincerely,

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**BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

IN RE: Purchased Gas Adjustment)  
(PGA) true up. )

DOCKET NO. 990003-GU  
FILED: October 18<sup>th</sup> 1999

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that true and correct copies of Chesapeake Utilities Corporation's Amended Petition for Approval of Purchased Gas Adjustment Factor, Amended Direct Testimony of James A. Williams, Amended Exhibit JAW-1, Amended Exhibit JAW-2, Preliminary Statement of Issues and Positions, and Prehearing Statement, have been furnished by hand-delivery on this 18<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1999 to WILLIAM COCHRAN KEATING, IV, ESQ., Division of Legal Services, Florida Public Service Commission, Gerald L. Gunter Building, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, and by regular U.S. Mail to the following:

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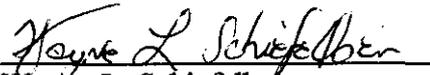
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BEFORE THE

FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Purchased Gas True-Up )  
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DOCKET NO. 990003-GU

AMENDED PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF  
CHESAPEAKE UTILITIES CORPORATION'S  
PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT FACTOR

Chesapeake Utilities Corporation ("the Company"), pursuant to the requirements of this docket, petitions the Commission for approval of the Company's levelized purchased gas adjustment factor ("PGA") to be charged for gas consumption during the period January 1, 2000 to December 31, 2000. In support hereof, the Company states:

1. The exact name of the Company and the address of its principal business office is:

Chesapeake Utilities Corporation  
Florida Division  
1015 6th Street N. W.  
Winter Haven, Florida 33881-4018

2. The names, addresses, telephone and fax numbers of the persons authorized to receive notices and communications in respect to this docket are:

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3. Pursuant to the requirements of this docket, Chesapeake Utilities Corporation has prefiled the PGA true-up forms supplied by the Division of Electric and Gas for the April 1998 - December 1998 period in a manner consistent with the Division's instructions.

4. As indicated in the prefiled true-up forms, Chesapeake Utilities Corporation has reported an overrecovery of \$32,160 for the April 1998 - December 1998 period. With the subtraction of the \$3,917 overreported in June 1998 actual fuel revenues, as reflected in Audit Exception No. 1 of the PSC Staff Audit Report dated June 18, 1999, the actual overrecovery for April through December 1998 was \$28,243. An estimated overrecovery of \$49,320 for the April 1998 - December 1998 period was used for calculation of the true-up factor for January 1999 - December 1999. Therefore, a final true-up amount of \$21,077 (underrecovery) will be included in the current calculation of the January 2000 - December 2000 true-up factor.

5. For the period of January 1999 to December 1999, Chesapeake Utilities Corporation projects an overrecovery of \$94,883, resulting in a total overrecovery of \$73,806 to refund in the January 2000 - December 2000 period. The Company projects therm sales of 23,543,170 for the January 2000 - December 2000 period. Therefore, the cumulative true-up factor to be applied to gas bills for this period is a .313 cents per therm refund.

6. As indicated on schedules E-1 through E-5 of Amended Composite Exhibit JAW-2, the Company projects total gas costs for the January 2000 - December 2000 period to be \$9,297,214. As stated previously, the Company projects therm sales of 23,543,170, resulting in a

weighted average cost of gas (WACOG) of 39.490 cents per therm for the twelve-month period. Since the Company historically experiences higher gas costs during the winter months, the Company requests that its projected firm winter average cost of gas for the months of January 2000 through March 2000 and October 2000 through December 2000, be approved as the maximum PGA factor to be charged during the period of January 2000 through December 2000.

7. Allocation of the total gas costs to firm and interruptible customers results in a firm winter WACOG of 46.424 cents per therm, including the true-up factor and taxes, for the January 2000 – December 2000 period. The Company projects the interruptible winter WACOG, including the true-up factor and taxes, to be 36.210 cents per therm for the January 2000 – December 2000 period.

WHEREFORE, for the purpose of establishing the maximum rate to be charged for all gas sales during the period January 2000 – December 2000, Chesapeake Utilities Corporation petitions the Commission to approve a factor of 46.424 cents per therm.

DATED this 4th day of October, 1999.

Respectfully submitted,  
CHESAPEAKE UTILITIES CORPORATION  
FLORIDA DIVISION

By James A. Williams  
James A. Williams  
Accounting and Rates Manager *(by pl)*