

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Purchased gas adjustment
(PGA) true-up.

DOCKET NO. 000003-GU
ORDER NO. PSC-00-2383-FOF-GU
ISSUED: December 12, 2000

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

E. LEON JACOBS, JR.
LILA A. JABER
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APPEARANCES:

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On behalf of the Commission Staff.

ORDER APPROVING PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT TRUE-UP AMOUNTS
AND ESTABLISHING PURCHASED GAS COST RECOVERY FACTORS TO BE
APPLIED DURING THE PERIOD JANUARY 2001 THROUGH DECEMBER 2001

As part of this Commission's continuing purchased gas adjustment true-up proceedings, an administrative hearing was held November 20, 2000, in this docket. Chesapeake Utilities Corporation, Florida Division; City Gas Company of Florida; Florida Public Utilities Company; Indiantown Gas Company; Peoples Gas System, Inc.; Sebring Gas System, Inc.; St. Joe Natural Gas Company; and South Florida Natural Gas Company submitted testimony and exhibits in support of their proposed final and estimated true-up amounts and their proposed purchased gas cost recovery factors.

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Prior to hearing, the parties reached agreement concerning all issues identified for resolution at hearing. Therefore, the case was presented to us as a stipulation.

The parties stipulated to the final and estimated true-up amounts and purchased gas cost recovery factors appropriate for each utility. We accept and approve the stipulations as reasonable and supported by competent, substantial evidence of record.

We find that the appropriate final purchased gas adjustment true-up amounts for the period January 1999 through December 1999 are as follows:

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| Chesapeake Utilities Corporation | \$26,715 | Underrecovery |
| City Gas Company of Florida | \$705,403 | Overrecovery |
| Florida Public Utilities | \$67,156 | Underrecovery |
| Indiantown Gas Company | \$7,468 | Underrecovery |
| Peoples Gas System | \$866,759 | Underrecovery |
| Sebring Gas System, Inc. | \$3,428 | Underrecovery |
| St. Joe Natural Gas Company | \$16,581 | Overrecovery |
| South Florida Natural Gas Company | \$92,457 | Underrecovery |

We find that the estimated purchased gas adjustment true-up amounts for the period January 2000 through December 2000 are as follows:

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| Chesapeake Utilities Corporation | \$890,959 | Underrecovery |
| City Gas Company of Florida | \$4,513,148 | Underrecovery |
| Florida Public Utilities | \$33,877 | Overrecovery |
| Indiantown Gas Company | \$7,321 | Overrecovery |
| Peoples Gas System | \$2,939,165 | Underrecovery |

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| Sebring Gas System, Inc. | \$20,338 | Underrecovery |
| St. Joe Natural Gas Company | \$42,200 | Underrecovery |
| South Florida Natural Gas Company | \$69,863 | Underrecovery |

We find that the total purchased gas adjustment true-up amounts to be collected during the period January 2001 through December 2001 are as follows:

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| Chesapeake Utilities Corporation | \$917,674 | Underrecovery |
| City Gas Company of Florida | \$3,807,718 | Underrecovery |
| Florida Public Utilities | \$33,279 | Underrecovery |
| Indiantown Gas Company | \$147 | Underrecovery |
| Peoples Gas System | \$3,805,923 | Underrecovery |
| Sebring Gas System, Inc. | \$23,766 | Underrecovery |
| St. Joe Natural Gas Company | \$25,619 | Underrecovery |
| South Florida Natural Gas Company | \$162,320 | Underrecovery |

We find that the appropriate levelized purchased gas cost recovery (cap) factors for the period January 2001 through December 2001 are as follows:

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| Chesapeake Utilities Corporation | 74.358 cents per therm |
| City Gas Company of Florida | 79.093 cents per therm |
| Florida Public Utilities | 84.781 cents per therm |
| Indiantown Gas Company | 83.729 cents per therm |
| Peoples Gas System | 71.171 cents per therm |
| Sebring Gas System, Inc. | 70.663 cents per therm |

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| St. Joe Natural Gas Company | 82.100 cents per therm |
| South Florida Natural Gas Company | 79.208 cents per therm |

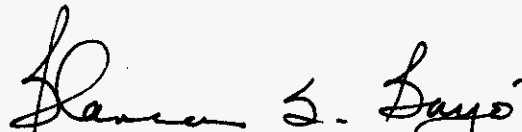
We find that these factors shall be effective for all meter readings on or after January 1, 2001, beginning with the first or applicable billing cycle, for the period January 2001 through December 2001.

Based on the foregoing, it is hereby

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the findings set forth in the body of this Order are hereby approved. It is further

ORDERED that the utilities named herein are authorized to collect the purchased gas cost recovery amounts and utilize the factors approved herein for bills rendered for meter readings taken between January 1, 2001, and December 31, 2001.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this 12th Day of December, 2000.



BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Director
Division of Records and Reporting

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NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.569(1), Florida Statutes, to notify parties of any administrative hearing or judicial review of Commission orders that is available under Sections 120.57 or 120.68, Florida Statutes, as well as the procedures and time limits that apply. This notice should not be construed to mean all requests for an administrative hearing or judicial review will be granted or result in the relief sought.

Any party adversely affected by the Commission's final action in this matter may request: 1) reconsideration of the decision by filing a motion for reconsideration with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, within fifteen (15) days of the issuance of this order in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code; or 2) judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility or the First District Court of Appeal in the case of a water and/or wastewater utility by filing a notice of appeal with the Director, Division of Records and reporting and filing a copy of the notice of appeal and the filing fee with the appropriate court. This filing must be completed within thirty (30) days after the issuance of this order, pursuant to Rule 9.110, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure. The notice of appeal must be in the form specified in Rule 9.900(a), Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.