

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

NOTICE OF CUSTOMER SERVICE HEARING

TO

ST. JOE NATURAL GAS COMPANY, INC.

AND

ALL OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS

DOCKET NO. 001447-GU

RE: REQUEST FOR RATE INCREASE BY
ST. JOE NATURAL GAS COMPANY, INC.

ISSUED: February 1, 2001

NOTICE is hereby given that the Florida Public Service Commission will hold service hearings in the above docket on the rates and charges of St. Joe Natural Gas Company, Inc. The hearings will commence at the time and location shown below and will continue until all witnesses have been heard. CUSTOMERS WHO WISH TO PRESENT TESTIMONY ARE URGED TO APPEAR PROMPTLY AT EACH SCHEDULED HEARING TIME SINCE THE HEARING MAY BE ADJOURNED EARLY IF NO WITNESSES ARE PRESENT TO TESTIFY.

Gulf County 6:00 p.m., Monday, March 5, 2001
 Gulf County School Board
 Board Room
 150 Middle School Road
 Port St. Joe, Florida

PURPOSE AND PROCEDURE

The purpose of these service hearings shall be to take testimony from members of the public on the petition by St. Joe Natural Gas Company, Inc., to increase its rates. The procedure at these hearings shall be as follows: The Company will present a brief summary of its case and then members of the public may present testimony. Members of the public who wish to present testimony are urged to appear promptly at each scheduled hearing time since the hearing may be adjourned early if no witnesses are present to testify. All witnesses shall be subject to cross examination at the conclusion of their testimony.

Any person requiring some accommodation at this hearing because of a physical impairment should call the Division of

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Records and Reporting at (850) 413-6770 at least 48 hours prior to the hearing. Any person who is hearing or speech impaired should contact the Florida Public Service Commission by using the Florida Relay Service, which can be reached at 1-800-955-8771 (TDD).

ADDITIONAL NOTICE

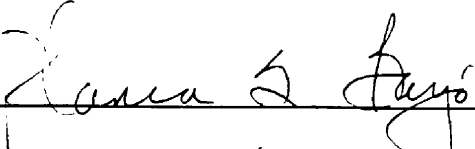
To ensure that the public is made aware of the public hearing scheduled in this matter, St. Joe Natural Gas Company, Inc., prior to the hearings scheduled herein, is directed to enclose in all customers' bills, or in a separate mailing to all customers, a notice setting forth fully the time and place of these hearings and a statement that "persons who wish to present testimony are urged to appear at the beginning of the hearing since the hearing may be adjourned early if no witnesses are present to testify." The notice shall be completed at least ten (10) days before the first scheduled hearing. The Company is also directed to publish in a newspaper of general circulation in the area in which a hearing is to be held, a display advertisement stating the time, date, location and purpose of the hearing and a statement that, "persons who wish to present testimony are urged to appear at the beginning of the hearing since the hearing may be adjourned early if no witnesses are present to testify. The advertisements shall be published at least seven (7) days and not more than twenty (20) days before each service hearing.

JURISDICTION

Jurisdiction over this utility is vested in the Commission by Chapter 366, Florida Statutes; authority to approve any changes in rates is governed by Sections 366.04 through 366.076, Florida Statutes. The provisions of Chapters 25-7 and 25-9, Florida Administrative Code, are also applicable.

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By DIRECTION of the Florida Public Service Commission, this
1st day of February, 2001.



BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Director
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