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Re: Florida Public Utilities Company; Docket No. 020003-GU

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of Florida Public Utilities Company in this docket are the following documents:

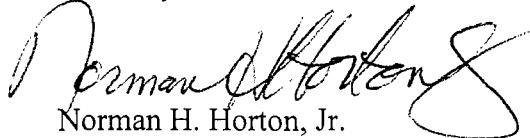
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3. An original and 10 copies of Schedule A-7. **04775 MAY-1 8**

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Sincerely,


Norman H. Horton, Jr.

cc: Ms. Cheryl Martin
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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Purchased Gas Adjustment)
Cost Recovery)
_____)

Docket No. 020003-GU
Filed: May 1, 2002

**PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF
FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMPANY'S
PURCHASED GAS COST RECOVERY TRUE-UP AMOUNT**

Florida Public Utilities Company ("the Company"), through undersigned counsel and pursuant to the requirements of this docket, hereby petitions the Commission to approve its purchased gas cost recovery true-up amount for the period January, 2001 through December, 2001.

In support hereof, the Company states:

1) The Company is a natural gas utility company within the jurisdiction of this Commission. Its principal business address is:

401 South Dixie Highway
West Palm Beach, FL 33401

2) The name and address of the person authorized to receive notices and communications with respect to this Petition are:

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3) Pursuant to the requirements of this Docket, the Company has prefiled testimony and the purchased gas cost recovery true-up forms (Composite Exhibit CM-1) supplied by the Commission Staff in a manner consistent with the Commission Staff's instructions.


4) As indicated in the prefiled testimony and true-up forms, the Company had an actual overrecovery of \$3,228,986 for January, 2001 through December, 2001 as compared to an estimated overrecovery of \$1,770,729 for an overrecovery of \$1,458,257.

WHEREFORE, the Company respectfully requests that this Commission enter its order approving the Company's true-up amount for the period January, 2001 through December, 2001.

DATED this 1st day of May, 2002.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attorneys for Florida Public Utilities Company

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that true and correct copies of Florida Public Utilities Company's Petition for Approval of Purchased Gas Cost Recovery True-Up Amount with accompanying testimony and schedules in Docket No. 020003-GU have been served by hand delivery (*) and/or U. S. Mail this 1st day of May, 2002 upon the following:

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