## ST. JOE NATURAL GAS COMPANY, INC.



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October 10, 2002

Commissioner Lila Jaber, Chairman Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Re: Docket #020003-GU Purchased Gas Adjusmtent (PGA) True-Up Projection Filing for January - December 2003

Dear Commissioner Lila Jaber:

St. Joe Natural requests permission to be excused from attending the Prehearing on November 4, 2002. The company would like to substitute the testimony into record as if read. Staff and Company have stipulated to all issues.

If further assistance is required, please let us know.

Sincerely,

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Stuart L Shoaf President

cc: Blanco S Bayo, Director



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