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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re:	Purchased Gas Adjustment)
	(PGA) True-up)

Docket No. 020003-GU

PREHEARING STATEMENT OF CHESAPEAKE UTILITIES CORPORATION FLORIDA DIVISION

Chesapeake Utilities Corporation ("CUC") submits this Prehearing Statement for the hearing scheduled in November 2002.

a) WITNESSES:

Witnesses		Subject Matter	<u>Issues</u>	
1.	Thomas A. Geoffroy* (CUC)	Purchased Gas Adjustment True-up	1	
2.	Brian S. Bilinski (CUC)	Purchased Gas Adjustment Projections and Factors	2, 3, 4, 5	

b) EXHIBITS:

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Exhibit Number	Witness	Description
TAG-1*	Geoffroy	January 2001 - December 2001 True-up, Schedule A-7
Amended BSB-2 (Composite)	Bilinski	January 2003 - December 2003 PGA Factor, Schedules E-1 through E-5

STATEMENT OF BASIC POSITION

CUC'S STATEMENT OF BASIC POSITION:

The appropriate over (under) recovery amounts, purchased gas adjustment factor, and effective date are as shown in the Company's positions on Issues 1 - 5.

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d) <u>STATEMENT OF ISSUES AND POSITIONS</u>: (Questions of Fact)

<u>Issue 1</u>: What is the appropriate final purchased gas adjustment true-up

amount for the period January 2001 through December 2001?

<u>CUC'S Position</u>: \$223,376 overrecovery. (Geoffroy*)

Issue 2: What is the estimated purchased gas adjustment true-up amount for

the period January 2002 through December 2002?

CUC's Position: \$93,231 overrecovery. (Bilinski)

Issue 3: What is the total purchased gas adjustment true-up amount to be

collected during the period January 2003 through December 2003?

CUC's Position: \$316,607 overrrecovery. (Bilinski)

Issue 4: What is the appropriate levelized purchased gas cost recovery (cap)

factor to be charged during the period January 2003 through

December 2003?

CUC's Position: 87.382 cents per therm. (Bilinski)

Issue 5: What should be the effective date of the new purchased gas

adjustment charge for billing purposes?

<u>CUC's Position</u>: The factor should be effective for all meter readings on or after

January 1, 2003, beginning with the first or applicable billing cycle for the period January 2003 through December 2003. (Bilinski)

e) QUESTIONS OF LAW:

None.

f) POLICY QUESTIONS:

None.

g) <u>STIPULATED ISSUES</u>:

None.

h) MOTIONS

None.

i) OTHER MATTERS:

*In the event that live testimony is required, Mr. Bilinski intends to adopt Mr. Geoffroy's prefiled direct testimony and sponsor Exhibit TAG-1.

Dated this 22urday of October, 2002.

Respectfully submitted, CHESAPEAKE UTILITIES CORPORATION FLORIDA DIVISION

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