

BEFORE THE
FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

DOCKET NO. 020004-GU

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In the Matter of
NATURAL GAS CONSERVATION
COST RECOVERY.

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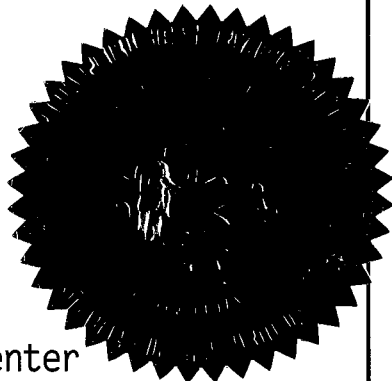
BEFORE: COMMISSIONER MICHAEL A. PALECKI
Prehearing Officer

DATE: Monday, November 4, 2002

TIME: Commenced at 1:30 p.m.
Concluded at 4:11 p.m.

PLACE: Betty Easley Conference Center
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Tallahassee, Florida

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14 Corporation.

15 LORENA A. HOLLEY, Florida Public Service Commission,
16 General Counsel's Office, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard,
17 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0870, appearing on behalf of the
18 Commission Staff.

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P R O C E E D I N G S

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2 COMMISSIONER PALECKI: Call the prehearing conference
3 to order at this time.

4 Would staff counsel please read the notice on all
5 dockets.

6 MS. ECHTERNACT: Pursuant to notice issued by the
7 Clerk of the Commission on October 7th, 2002, this time and
8 place have been set for a prehearing conference in Docket
9 Number 020001-EI, 020002-EG, 020003-GU, 020004-GU and Docket
10 Number 020007-EI.

11 COMMISSIONER PALECKI: At this time we'll take
12 appearances for all dockets. And rather than taking
13 appearances several times, we'll go ahead and ask each counsel
14 to please identify the docket numbers for which you are
15 appearing, and we'll start with Mr. Vandiver.

16 MR. VANDIVER: My name is Rob Vandiver. I'm
17 appearing on behalf of the Citizens of the State of Florida.
18 I'm appearing in the 01 docket, the 02 docket, the 03 docket
19 and the 07 docket.

20 MR. HORTON: Norman H. Horton, Jr., Messer, Caparello
21 & Self. I'm appearing in the 01, 02, 03, 04 dockets for
22 Florida Public Utilities, and in the 03 docket for Sebring,
23 Sebring Gas.

24 MR. BEASLEY: I'm James D. Beasley with the Law Firm
25 of Ausley & McMullen. I'm appearing on behalf of Tampa

1 Electric Company in the 01, 02 and 07 dockets.

2 MR. GUYTON: Charles A. Guyton with the law firm of
3 Steel, Hector & David appearing on behalf of Florida Power &
4 Light Company in the 02 docket.

5 MR. BADDERS: Russell Badders, and with me is Jeffrey
6 A. Stone and R. Andrew Kent appearing on behalf of Gulf Power
7 Company in the 01, 02 and 07 dockets.

8 MR. BUTLER: John Butler of Steel, Hector and Davis
9 appearing on behalf of Florida Power & Light Company in dockets
10 01 and 07.

11 MR. MELSON: Richard Melson and Gary Perko of the law
12 firm Hopping, Green & Sams appearing on behalf of City Gas
13 Company of Florida in the 03 and 04 dockets, and also appearing
14 on behalf of Florida Power Corporation in the 07 docket.

15 MR. MCGEE: Jim McGee appearing on behalf of Florida
16 Power Corporation in the 01 and 02 dockets.

17 MR. COSTA: Matt Costa appearing on behalf of Peoples
18 Gas in the 03 and 04 dockets.

19 MR. SCHIEFELBEIN: Wayne Schiefelbein with the firm
20 Rose, Sundstrom & Bentley appearing on behalf of the Florida
21 Division of Chesapeake Utilities Corporation in the 03 and
22 04 dockets.

23 MR. McWHIRTER: John McWhirter of the firm of
24 McWhirter and Reeves appearing on behalf of the Florida
25 Industrial Power Users Group with respect to 01, 02 and 07, and

1 on behalf of the Florida Industrial Gas Users Group with
2 respect to Docket Number 03.

3 MS. STERN: Marlene Stern on behalf of the Commission
4 in the 07 docket.

5 MS. ECHTERNACT: Katherine Echternact on behalf of
6 the Commission on the 03 docket.

7 MS. HOLLEY: Lorena Holley on behalf of the
8 Commission in Dockets 02 and 04.

9 MR. KEATING: Cochran Keating on behalf of the
10 Commission in Docket 01.

11 COMMISSIONER PALECKI: Okay. Before we decide on the
12 order in which we take up the dockets, I have a matter I need
13 to put on the record, and that is that I have excused St. Joe
14 Natural Gas from the prehearing conference in the 03 and
15 04 dockets, and also have excused them from the hearing in
16 those two dockets. And I've excused Indiantown from the
17 prehearing as well as the hearing in the 03 docket.

18 Now I've been advised by staff that it would prefer
19 to take up the dockets in the following order: 03, 04, 02, 07
20 and 01. Do any parties have an objection or a different
21 preference?

22 Hearing none, let's proceed at this time to the
23 0003 docket.

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25 COMMISSIONER PALECKI: And at this time we will begin

1 the prehearing conference in Docket Number 020004, and we'll go
2 ahead in the same manner. Any changes, modifications or
3 corrections to Sections I through V?

4 Okay. Once again, I believe that the companies are
5 in agreement with staff on all issues. And at this time would
6 it be appropriate to excuse the witnesses?

7 MS. HOLLEY: Yes, Commissioner. As indicated in the
8 previous docket, we have the same language that the witnesses
9 will be notified by November 15th as to their excusal from the
10 hearing.

11 COMMISSIONER PALECKI: All right. Let's move on to
12 Section VI, order of witnesses and issues to be addressed.

13 Any changes or corrections on the order of the
14 witnesses and the issues?

15 Hearing none, we move on to Section 7, basic
16 positions. Any changes, corrections, modifications?

17 Hearing none, we move to VIII. No changes?

18 IX, exhibits; any changes to the exhibit list?

19 Proposed stipulations, X.

20 Hearing none, Section XI, pending motions? No
21 changes?

22 Section XII, any pending confidentiality matters?

23 MS. HOLLEY: No, Commissioner.

24 COMMISSIONER PALECKI: Section XIII on rulings. Once
25 again, we will excuse St. Joe from the prehearing and the

1 hearing in this docket.

2 Section XIII, rulings.

3 Are there any other matters? Once again, I'd like to
4 commend our staff on the draft prehearing order. We have had
5 no corrections, changes, modifications of any kind on two very
6 large and complicated draft prehearing orders. You've done a
7 very good job.

8 (Thereupon, the portion of the Prehearing Conference
9 pertaining to Docket Number 020004 was concluded.)

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COUNTY OF LEON)


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I, LINDA BOLES, RPR, Official Commission Reporter, do hereby certify that the foregoing proceeding was heard at the time and place herein stated.

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I FURTHER CERTIFY that I am not a relative, employee, attorney or counsel of any of the parties, nor am I a relative or employee of any of the parties' attorneys or counsel connected with the action, nor am I financially interested in the action.

DATED THIS 12TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2002.



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