BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Natural Gas Conservation Cost Recovery)	Docket No. 030004-GU
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CHESAPEAKE UTILITIES CORPORATION'S PRELIMINARY STATEMENT OF ISSUES AND POSITIONS

The Florida Division of Chesapeake Utilities Corporation ("CUC") hereby submits its preliminary statement of issues and positions to be taken up at the hearing now scheduled to begin on November 12, 2003 in this docket.

Issue 1: What is the final end-of-the-period true-up for the period January 2002 through December 2002?

CUC's Position: \$149,225 underrecovery.

<u>Issue 2</u>: What are the appropriate conservation cost recovery factors for the period January 2004 through December 2004?

CUC's Position: The following factors are to be applied to bills for the period shown above:

Rate Class	ECCR Factor <u>Cents Per Therm</u>
TS-1	12.762
TS-2 TS-3	6.704 4.020
TS-4	3.155
TS-5 TS-6	2.807 2.134
TS-7	1.333
TS-8 TS-9	1.103 .967

Issue 3: What should be the effective date of the conservation cost recovery factors for

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billing purposes?

CUC's Position:

The factors should be effective beginning with the specified conservation cost recovery cycle and thereafter for the period January 2004, through December 2004. Billing cycles may start before January 1, 2004, and the last cycle may be read after December 31, 2003, so that each customer is billed for twelve months regardless of when the adjustment factor became effective.

Dated this 97#day of October, 2003.

Respectfully submitted,

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