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Re: Docket No. 030004-GU –  
Natural Gas Conservation Cost Recovery Clause

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing with the Commission in the above-docket on behalf of Peoples Gas System ("Peoples"), please find the original and 15 copies of Peoples Preliminary Statement of Issues and Positions.

Please acknowledge your receipt and the date of filing of the enclosures on the duplicate copy of this letter and return the same to the undersigned in the enclosed pre-addressed envelope.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Matthew R. Costa  
Corporate Counsel

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**BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

In Re: Natural Gas Conservation :  
Cost Recovery Clause :  
\_\_\_\_\_:

DOCKET NO. 030004-GU  
Submitted for Filing: 10-10-03

**PEOPLES GAS SYSTEM'S  
PRELIMINARY STATEMENT OF ISSUES AND POSITIONS**

Peoples Gas System ("PGS") hereby submits its preliminary statement of issues and positions to be addressed at the hearing now scheduled to commence on November 12, 2003 in this docket.

ISSUE: What is the end-of-period final true-up amount for the period January 1, through December 31, 2002?

PGS (except West Florida): \$380,930 underrecovery

PGS (West Florida): \$530,074 underrecovery

ISSUE: What are the appropriate conservation cost recovery factors for the period January 1 through December 31, 2004?

PGS (except West Florida): The appropriate conservation cost recovery factors for the period January 1 through December 31, 2004 are as follows:

<u>Rate Class</u>	<u>ECCR Factor (per therm)</u>
Residential	\$0.06961
Small General Service	\$0.06203
General Service 1	\$0.02286
General Service 2	\$0.01859
General Service 3	\$0.01564
General Service 4	\$0.01411
General Service 5	\$0.00799
Natural Gas Vehicle Service	\$0.01185
Commercial Street Lighting	\$0.00998

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PGS -- West Florida: The appropriate conservation cost recovery factors for the period January 1 through December 31, 2004 are as follows:

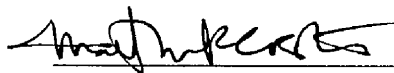
<u>Rate Class</u>	<u>ECCR Factor</u> <u>(per therm)</u>
Residential	\$0.14384
Small General Service	\$0.12685
General Service 1	\$0.05425
General Service 2	\$0.04296
General Service 3	\$0.03596
General Service 4	\$0.03245
General Service 5	\$0.01806
Natural Gas Vehicle Service	\$0.00000
Commercial Street Lighting	\$0.02292

ISSUE: What should be the effective date of the new conservation cost recovery factors for billing purposes?

PGS: The factors should be effective beginning with the specified conservation cost recovery cycle and thereafter for the period January 1, 2004 through December 31, 2004. Billing cycles may start before January 1, 2004, and the last cycle may be read after December 31, 2004, so that each customer is billed for 12 months regardless of when such adjustment factor becomes effective.

Dated this 9<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2003.

Respectfully submitted,



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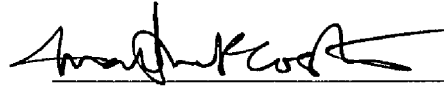
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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Preliminary Statement of Issues and Positions has been furnished this 9<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2003, by regular U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, to all known parties of record.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Matthew R. Costa", written over a horizontal line.

MATTHEW R. COSTA, ESQUIRE