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BY HAND DELIVERY

Ms. Blanca Bayo, Director Division of Records and Reporting Room 110, Easley Building Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Re: Docket No. 030004-GU; Florida Public Utilities Company

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of Florida Public Utilities Company are an original and 10 copies of Florida Public Utilities Company's Preliminary List of Issues and Positions in the above-referenced docket.

Please acknowledge receipt of these documents by stamping the extra copy of this letter "filed" and returning the same to me in the enclosed self-addressed stamped envelope.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Norman H. Horton, Jr.

NHH:amb Enclosures

cc: Mr. Robert L. Smith Parties of Record

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Natural Gas Conservation)	Docket No. 030004-GU
Cost Recovery Clause.)	Filed: October 10, 2003
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FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMPANY'S PRELIMINARY LIST OF ISSUES AND POSITIONS

Florida Public Utilities Company ("FPU"), by and through its undersigned counsel, submits its preliminary list of issues and positions for its consolidated natural gas division in connection with the hearing that is scheduled for November 12-14, 2003, in the above-styled docket.

ISSUES AND POSITIONS

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

FPU's Position: \$123,348 (underrecovery)

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

FPU's Position:

Residential	\$.08923
General Service	\$.03274
Large Volume Service	\$.02184
Large Volume Transportation Service	\$.02184

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

FPU's Position: The conservation cost recovery factors should be effective for the period January, 2004 through December, 2004, and to billings

thereafter until other conservation cost recovery factors are approved by the Commission.

Date this 10th day of October, 2003.

Respectfully submitted,

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