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Ms. Blanca Bayó, Director Commission Clerk and Administrative Services Room 110, Easley Building Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Re: Docket No. 040216-GU

Dear Ms. Bayó:

Enclosed for inclusion in the file are copies of the following documents:

- 1. Notice to Customers and Notice of Customer Meetings; and
- 2. Synopsis of the Rate Case.

Also enclosed is a copy of the service list for the Synopsis.

These documents were reviewed and approved by staff prior to distribution.

Please acknowledge receipt of these documents by stamping the extra copy of this letter "filed" and returning the same to me.

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June 9, 2004

To: Mayors and Chief Executive Officers of Counties

Librarian, County Library

Re: Petition of Florida Public Utilities Company for an Increase in Rates Charged to

Natural Gas Customers

On May 10, 2004, Florida Public Utilities Company filed a Petition for Rate Relief with the Florida Public Service Commission ("FPSC") seeking an increase in its rates and charges for natural gas service. As part of the review process, the FPSC requires that the Company prepare a synopsis of the rate request and distribute it to the main county library within the service area of the utility and to the chief executive officer of each county and municipality in the service area. In compliance with that requirement, enclosed herein is a copy of the Synopsis prepared by Florida Public Utilities Company which we ask that you make available for review if requested.

Questions concerning this petition and process may be referred to the Florida Public Service Commission at 1-800-342-3552.

Sincerely yours,

Norman H. Horton, Jr.

NHH/amb Enclosures

### FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMPANY

### RATE CASE SYNOPSIS

### DOCKET NO. 040216-GU

Florida Public Utilities Company (the "Company") is a natural gas utility providing natural gas service and gas transportation service to over 48,000 customers in Volusia, Seminole, Broward and Palm Beach Counties. The Company is headquartered in West Palm Beach and has offices in DeBary and New Smyrna Beach,

On May 26, 2004 the Company completed filing its request for a rate increase with the Florida Public Service Commission ("Commission") seeking both a permanent and interim increase in rates. Under Florida law, the Commission regulates the rates, charges and service provided by natural gas utilities in the state and will review the request filed by the Company.

The Company is requesting this increase because it continues to experience sharply rising costs and in order to continue to provide efficient, sufficient and adequate facilities and services and earn a fair, reasonable return on its investment, relief is necessary. The Company has experienced increases in pension costs, medical insurance, property and liability insurance, higher costs associated with compliance programs and maintenance. There have been capital additions and to maintain the level of service, there is a need for further additions and replacement of existing facilities. The major issues to be considered by the Commission in this case will include the determination of the proper rate base, net operating income (to include a determination of the legitimate and prudent operating expenses), earned rate of return, fair and reasonable rate of return, the proper rate structure, and the quality of service provided by the Company.

In setting the appropriate rates for a utility, the Commission utilizes a test year to evaluate the request. In this request, Florida Public Utilities Company has presented its case for increased rates on a projected test year for the calendar year 2005, based on an historic test year of 2003. The Company is entitled by law to be given the opportunity to earn a reasonable return on its property used and useful in the public service. The Company's existing rates and charges are inadequate to provide fair and reasonable compensation for the services it provides to the public. The Company achieved an overall rate of return of 4.13% for the year ended December 31, 2004. In the absence of any rate relief, the Company's overall rate of return is projected to drop to .97% for the year ending December 31, 2005. The existing return denies the Company the financial strength and integrity necessary to maintain and improve the Company's quality of service and to extend that service to more customers.

The Company has filed a detailed set of financial and accounting schedules, called Minimum Filing Requirements or MFRs, with the Commission. As shown on those supporting documents, the Company is seeking approval of rates that would generate additional base revenues of \$8,186,989 annually. The requested permanent revenue increase would give the Company the

Florida Public Utilities Company Rate Case Synopsis Page 2

opportunity to earn a fair and reasonable rate of return on 8.66%, including a return on equity of 11.50%, plus or minus 100 basis points, on a projected 2005 average rate base of \$65,835,210.

The Company has also requested that the Commission approve interim rates that would generate additional base revenues of \$1,490,980 annually, during the pendency of the rate case. The Commission is required to act on this interim rate request within 60 days of the Company's filing. The Commission staff will review the request for interim relief and prepare a recommendation for the Commission to consider at a regular agenda. The Commission is currently scheduled to vote on the request on July 6, 2004. Any interim rate increase authorized by the Commission will be subject to refund, with interest, to the extent ultimately found by the Commission not to be justified.

To produce the requested permanent revenue, the Company has submitted revised tariff schedules which include increases in the different rate schedules. A cost of service study was conducted by the Company and that served as a general guide for setting the levels of each schedule. The Company is also proposing to eliminate the separate schedules of rates and charges for customers acquired from South Florida Natural Gas and include all customers on common schedules.

A comparison of present and proposed rates is attached. Also attached is a copy of the Executive Summary filed as part of the Company's rate application.

Pursuant to Florida law, the Company has chosen to have the request for a permanent rate increase processed under the Commission's Proposed Agency Action procedures. Under this procedure, the staff of the Commission will conduct a detailed review and investigation of the Company's request for permanent rate relief and will perform an audit of the Company's books. They may also request additional data from the Company. In addition, the Commission will conduct customer meetings in West Palm Beach and Deltona to take comments from customers on the Company's quality of service and on other matters pertaining to the Company's rate request. Following completion of this investigation and the customer meetings, the Commission staff will make a recommendation to the Commission on what rate relief, if any, should be granted. The Commission will act on its staff's recommendation at another Agenda Conference in Tallahassee within five months after the Company's petition was filed. The Commission is currently scheduled to consider the permanent rate request on October 19, 2004.

After the Commission votes on the Company's rate request, it will issue an Order on Proposed Agency Action containing its findings and conclusions. Substantially affected persons have 21 days after the written order is issued to decide whether to accept the Commission's decision or to request a formal hearing. If no party protests the order, the Commission's decision becomes final, the new rates go into effect, and the case is closed. If there is a protest, the case will proceed to a formal hearing process, which must be completed within eight months after the date the protest was filed.

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After October 26, 2004, if the Commission has not taken action or if a protest is filed by a party other than the Company, the Company has the right to place its requested permanent rates in effect, subject to refund, until the case is concluded.

Customer meetings have been scheduled in West Palm Beach and Deltona as follows:

July 7, 2004, 6:00 p.m.

Florida Department of Environmental Protection

Southeast District Office

400 North Congress Avenue, Suite 200

West Palm Beach, Florida 33401

July 8, 2004, 6:00 p.m.

City of Deltona

City Commission Chambers

City Hall

2345 Providence Blvd.

Deltona, Florida 32725

Customers are urged to be present at the beginning of the meeting, since customer meetings may be adjourned once all customers present have been allowed to speak. One or more Commissioners may be present at the customer meetings.

The following is the current rate case schedule established by the Commission that contains all the critical events and dates. This schedule is subject to change by the Commission.

Staff Recommendation on Interim Rates	June 24, 2004
Agenda Conference on Interim Rates	July 6, 2004
Customer meeting, West Palm Beach	July 7, 2004
Customer meeting, Deltona	July 8, 2004
Standard Order on Interim Rates	July 26, 2004
Audit Report Due	August 16, 2004
Staff Recommendation on Final Rates	October 7, 2004
Agenda Conference on Final Rates	October 19, 2004
Proposed Agency Action Order on Final Rates	November 8, 2004

More detailed information on the Company's proposed rate increase is contained in the complete minimum filing requirements, located at the following Company offices:

 401 South Dixie Highway
 450 South Highway 17-92

 West Palm Beach, Florida 33401-5886
 DeBary, Florida 32713

 (561) 832-0872
 (386) 668-2600

701 Eleanor Avenue New Smyrna Beach, Florida 32168 (386) 428-5721

Inspection of the filing at any of these offices may be conducted during normal business hours (8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Monday - Friday).

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Any customer comments regarding the Company's service or the proposed rate increase should refer to Docket No. 040216-GU, which is the docket number for this case and be addressed to:

Director, Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

For your information, we are also providing the address and telephone number of the Florida Public Service Commission's Division of Regulatory Compliance and Consumer Assistance:

Division of Regulatory Compliance and Consumer Assistance Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

1-800-342-3552 (Toll Free Number)

Company personnel may be contacted to answer questions concerning the rate request at the address shown on your gas service bill, or by calling one of the company offices listed above.

# APPENDIX A FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMPANY COMPARISON OF PRESENT AND PROPOSED RATES

Residential Service: Standard

Present Proposed \$\$ 00 per systems \$\$ 00

Customer Charge \$8.00 per customer \$8.00

per month

Energy Charge .33512 \$ per therm .52644 \$ per therm

Residential Service: New Smyrna Beach

Present Proposed

Customer Charge \$7.00 per customer \$8.00

per month

Energy Charge .56654 \$ per therm .52644 \$ per therm

**General Service** 

<u>Present</u> <u>Proposed</u>

Customer Charge \$15.00 per customer \$15.00

per month

Energy Charge .21513 \$ per therm .36543 \$ per therm

General Service: New Smyrna Beach

<u>Present</u> <u>Proposed</u>

Customer Charge \$12.00 per customer \$15.00

per month

Energy Charge .23514 \$ per therm .36543 \$ per therm

**General Service Transportation Service** 

Present Proposed

Customer Charge \$15.00 per customer \$15.00

per month

Energy Charge .21513 \$ per therm .36543 \$ per therm

Non monitored Transportation

Charge \$4.50 per customer per month

General Service Transportation Service: New Smyrna Beach

Customer Charge Present Proposed \$12.00 per customer \$15.00

\$12.00 per customer \$15.00 per month

per month

Energy Charge .23514 \$ per therm .36543 \$ per therm

Non monitored Transportation

Charge \$4.50 per customer per month

Large Volume Service

 Present
 Proposed

 Customer
 \$45.00
 \$45.00

 Energy
 .15474
 .27639

Large	V	olume	Service:	New	Smyrna	Beach

	Present	Proposed
Customer	\$12.00	\$45.00
Energy	.23514	.27639

### Large Volume Transportation Service < 50,000 therms

	<u>Present</u>	Proposed
Customer	\$45.00	\$45.00
Energy	.15474	.27639

Non monitored Transportation

Charge \$4.50 per month

### Large Volume Transportation Service: New Smyrna Beach < 50,000 therms

	Present	Proposed
Customer	\$12.00	\$45.00
Energy	.23514	.27639
NT	- 1 <sup>1</sup>	

Non monitored Transportation

Charge \$4.50 per month

### Large Volume Transportation Service: >50,000 therms

	Present	Proposed
Customer	\$45.00	\$45.00
Energy	.15474	.27639
Non monitored Transportation		
Charge	\$136.50 per customer	
	per month	
Incremental Charges*		\$50.50

### \*Monthly Incremental Charges include:

- A. RTU Maintenance & Change Out Charge = \$30.00
- B. Monitoring & Reporting Charge = \$16.00
- C. Non-Monitored Transportation = \$4.50

### Large Volume Transportation Service: New Smyrna Beach >50,000 therms

	<u>Present</u>	Proposed
Customer	\$12.00	\$45.00
Energy	.23514	.27639
Non monitored Transportation		
Charge	\$136.50 per customer	
	per month	
Incremental Charges*		\$50.50

<sup>\*</sup>Monthly Incremental Charges include:

- A. RTU Maintenance & Change Out Charge = \$30.00
- B. Monitoring & Reporting Charge = \$16.00
- C. Non-Monitored Transportation = \$4.50

### Interruptible Service

	Present	<u>Proposed</u>
Customer	\$240.00	\$240.00
Energy	.06612	.11652
RTU Maintenance		
& Change Out Charge		\$30.00

### Interruptible Transportation Service

	Present	Proposed
Customer	\$240.00	\$240.00
Energy	.06612	.11652
Non monitored Transportation		
Charge	\$54.00 per customer	
	per month	
Incremental Charges		\$50.50

\*Monthly Incremental Charges include:

A. RTU Maintenance & Change Out Charge = \$30.00
B. Monitoring & Reporting Charge = \$16.00
C. Non-Monitored Transportation = \$4.50

### Gas Lighting - GS

	<u>Present</u>	Proposed
Customer	\$15.00	0
Energy	.21513	.16107

### Gas Lighting - LV

	Present	Proposed
Customer	\$45.00	0
Energy	.15474	.16107

	Present West Palm Beach Division Sanford & DeLand Districts  Present West Palm Beach Division Sanford & DeLand Districts		New S	ssent Smyrna District	RS,	Proposed RS, GS, GSTS, LVS, LVTS, IS & ITS			
	LVS & LVTS Customers	All Other Customers	Residential	Commercial	RS	GS & GSTS	LVS, LVTS, IS & ITS		
Establishment of Service	\$57.00	\$25.00	\$20.00	\$30.00					
Regularly Scheduled					\$42.00	\$60.00	\$90.00		
Same Day or Outside Normal Business Hours					\$56.00	\$79.00	\$119.00		
Reconnection after Disconnection	\$48.00	\$21.00	\$20.00	\$30.00					
Change of Account (Read Meter Only)	\$12.00	\$12.00	\$10.00	\$10.00					
Regularly Scheduled					\$19.00	\$19.00	\$19.00		
Same Day or Outside Normal Business Hours					\$24.00	\$24.00	\$24.00		
Reconnection After Disconnection for Non-Pay	\$58.00	\$31.00	\$20.00	\$30.00					
Regularly Scheduled					\$60.00	\$78.00	\$108.00		
Same Day or Outside Normal Business Hours					\$74.00	\$97.00	\$137.00		
Bill Collection in Lieu of Disconnection for Non-Pay	\$9.00	\$9.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$16.00	\$16.00	\$16.00		

	Present West Palm Beach Division Sanford & DeLand Districts	Present West Palm Beach Division Sanford & DeLand Districts	Present New Smyrna Beach District		Proposed RS, GS, GSTS, LVS, LVTS, IS & ITS		
	LVS & LVTS Customers	All Other Customers	Residential	Commercial	RS	GS & GSTS	LVS, LVTS, IS & ITS
Failed Trip Charge applies when customer fails to keep scheduled appointment with the Company's employee, agent, or representative							
Regularly Scheduled					\$19.00	\$19.00	\$19.00
Same Day or Outside Normal Business Hours					\$24.00	\$24.00	\$24.00
Bills Paid Electronically - applies when a customer chooses to make payment by Credit Card, Debit Card, or Electronic Check						ch transaction	

Worthless Check Charge

The service charge for each worthless check shall be determined in accordance with Section 68.065, Florida Statutes. Such service charge shall be added to the customer's bill for gas service for each check dishonored by the bank upon which it is drawn. Termination of servi shall not be made for failure to pay the returned check charge.

Late Payment Charge

A bill shall be considered past due upon the expiration of twenty (20) days from the date of mailing or other delivery thero by Company. The balance of all past due charges for services rendered are subject to a Late Payment Charge of 1.5% or \$5.00, whichever is greater, except the accounts of federal, state, and local governmental entities, agencies, and instrumentalities. A late Payment Charge shall be applied to the accounts of federal, state, and local government entities and instrumentalities at a rate no greater than allowed, and in a manner permitted by applicable law.

# FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMPANY NATURAL GAS DIVISION

# BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION DOCKET NO. 040216-GU

MINIMUM FILING REQUIREMENTS SCHEDULE A – EXECUTIVE SUMMARY SCHEDULES

### FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMPANY CONSOLIDATED NATURAL GAS DIVISION DOCKET NO.: 040216-GU MINIMUM FILING REQUIREMENTS

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1 2	Docket Number Historical Data or Test Year				940620-GU				940620-GU	040216-GU		
3	Projected Test Year				12/31/95							
4 5 6	Rate Increase - Permanent Rate Increase - Interim				2,079,120 496,326				1,282,001 386,927	8,186,989 1,490,980	6,904,988 1,104,053	538.61% 285.34%
7	Jurisdictional Rate Base Before Rate Relief Jurisdictional Net Operating Income				26,437,934 988,052				27,241,536 1,504,527	65,835,210 641,221	38,593,67 <b>4</b> (863,306)	141 67% -57.38%
8	Before Rate Relief Rate of Return Before Rate Relief				3 74%				5.52%	0.97%		
9 10	System Capitalization				26,437,934				27,241,536	65,835,210	38,593,674	141.67%
11	Overall Rate of Return Cost of Long-Term Debt				8.61%				8.44%	8.66%	0.22%	2.61%
12	Cost of Preferred Stock				9.93% 4.75%				9.93% 4.75%	. 8.04%	-1.89%	-19.03%
13	Cost of Short-Term Debt				5.10%				6.93%	4.75% 5.98%	0.00% -0.95%	0.00% -13.71%
14	Cost of Customer Deposits				6.50%				6.50%	6.28%	-0.22%	-3.38%
15	Cost of Common Equity				12 30%				11.40%	11.50%	0.10%	0.88%
16 17	Number of Customers - Average Date New Permanent Rates Effective				34,574				34,574 5/6/1995	49,208		
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Line No.	Description		INCREASE IN GROSS REVENUE DOLLARS	INCREMENTAL AMOUNT OVER PREVIOUS ITEM	PERCENT OF TOTAL INCREASE		
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	REVENUE DEFICIE	NCY REVENUE DEFICIENCY	2,682,422	2,682,422	32.8%		
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		REVENUE DEFICIENCY	2,779,484	97,062	1.2%		
EFFE UTIL	ECT OF PROJECTED TEST YEAR: REVENUE AMOUNT REQUESTE ITY TO EARN A REQUESTED RATE OF RETURN OF 8.66% ON 200	D TO ALLOW 5 RATE BASE					
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	INCREASE IN REVENUE TO ALLOWED REQU	JESTED RATE OF RETURN OF 8.66%	8,186,989	5,407,505	66.0%		
PROJ	ECTED 2005 TEST YEAR BASE REVENUE AT CURRENT RATES		17,717,851		100%		

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FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMPANY: FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMPANY CONSOLIDATED NATURAL GAS DIVISION

DOCKET NO .: 040216-GU

EXPLANATION: PROVIDE A SCHEDULE SHOWING AN ANALYSIS OF JURISDICTIONAL RATE BASE.

TYPE OF DATA SHOWN:
HISTORIC YEAR LAST CASE 1993
TEST YEAR LAST CASE 1995
TEST YEAR CURRENT CASE 2005
WITNESS: MESITE

		1		mined by Commiss Rate Case	on	Rale Base Requested by Company in Current Rate Case		
		(1)*	(2)⁺	(3)* Projected	(4)* Projected	(5) Projected	(6)**	(7)**
Line No.		Historic	Attrition	Test Year	Test Year	Test Year	Dollar	Percent
140.	llem	12/31/93	12/31/94	12/31/95	12/31/95	12/31/05	Difference	Difference
	Utility Plant	Requested	Requested	Requested	<u>Ordered</u>			
1	Plant In Service	35,615,914	37,740,981	39,649,435	39,864,953	89,939,143	50,074,190	126%
_	(Common Plant)	695,435	827,599	1,231,594	894,399	3,429,181	2,534,782	283%
2	Construction Work In Progress	303,400	303,400	-	298,194	194,004	(104, 190)	-35%
3	Utility Plant Acquisition Adjustment	269,372	-	303,400	303,400	3,603,400	3,300,000	1088%
4	Gross Utility Plant	36,884,121	38,871,980	41,184,429	41,360,946	97,165,728	55,804,782	135%
	Deductions							
5	Accumulated Depreciation	11,688,715	12,748,170	14,059,571	13,517,000	28,935,572	15,418,572	114%
	(Common Plant)	281,901	313,698	391,168	379,706	1,039,014	659,308	174%
6	Accumulated Amortization			=	0.00 (0.40 0.000)	- 2220-24	E 40. 50.	
7	Limited Term Utility Plant			$\sim$	-	-	-	
8	Acquisition Adjustment	319,741	318,785	317,829	317,829	358,128	40,299	13%
9	Customer Advances for Construction	240,935	272,209	267,798	267,798	997,805	730,007	273%
10	Total Deductions	12,531,292	13,652,862	15,036,366	14,482,333	31,330,519	16,848,186	116%
11	Net Utility Plant	24,352,829	25,219,118	26,148.063	26,878,613	65,835,210	38,956,597	145%
12	Allowance for Working Capital	-	186,805	289,871	362,923	•	(362,923)	-100%
13	Rate Base	24,352,829	25,405,923	26,437,934	27,241,536	65,835,210	38,593,674	142%
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<sup>\*</sup> If the Company's Last Rate Case included a Historic and Attrition Year, Complete Columns (1) - (3). If the Company's Last Rate Case was based on a Projected Test Year, Complete Column (4).

If the Company's Last Rate Case included a Historic and Attrition Year, this calculation will be the difference between Column (5) and Column (3). If the Company's Last Rate Case was based on a Projected Test Year, this calculation will be the difference between Column (5) and Column (4).

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		BY	COMMISSION	OME AS DETER N LAST RATE C	ASE	CURRENT CASE		
		(1)*	(2)+	(3)*	(4)*	(5)	(6)**	(7)**
LINE NO.	ITEM	Historic 12/31/93	Attrition 12/31/94	Projected Test Year 12/31/95	Projected Test Year 12/31/95	Projected Test Year 12/31/05	DOLLAR DIFFERENCE	PERCENT DIFFERENCE
		REQUESTED	REQUESTED	REQUESTED	ORDERED			
1	OPERATING REVENUES (A)	10,706,057	10,715,561	11,317,802	11,426,240	22,568,224	11,141,984	97.5
	OPERATING REVENUE DEDUCTIONS:							
2 3 4	OPERATING & MAINTENANCE EXPENSE DEPRECIATION EXPENSE	6,371,347 1,312,135	6.764,928 1,390,041	7,615.790 1,612,518	7,150,125 1,429,620	14,795,629 2,827, <b>8</b> 75	7,645,504 1,398,255	106.9' 97.8'
4 5 6	AMORTIZATION EXPENSE TAXES OTHER THAN INCOME INCOME TAXES (FEDERAL & STATE)	239,604 853,092 46,598	239,868 921,919 (123,128)	240,000 983,231 (215,684)	240,000 953,851 186,807	932,654 4,464,719 (1,053,542)	692,654 3,510,868 (1,240,349)	288 6° 368.1° -664.0°
7	DEFERRED TAXES (FEDERAL & STATE)	244,734	243,992	132,585	100,007	(1,000,042)	(1,240,040)	-004.0

(38,690)

10,329,750

988,052

(38,690)

9,921,713

1,504,527

(A) EXCLUDES FUEL REVENUE

INVESTMENT TAX CREDITS

NET OPERATING INCOME (B)

TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE DEDUCTION

(B) BEFORE RATE RELIEF

10

IF THE COMPANY'S LAST RATE CASE INCLUDED A HISTORIC AND ATTRITION YEAR, COMPLETE COLUMNS (1) - (3). IF THE COMPANY'S LAST RATE CASE WAS BASED ON A PROJECTED TEST YEAR, COMPLETE COLUMN (4).

(38,640)

9,028,870

1,677,187

(38,706)

9,398,914

1,316,647

IF THE COMPANY'S LAST RATE CASE INCLUDED A HISTORIC AND ATTRITION YEAR, THIS CALCULATION WILL BE THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN COLUMN (5) AND COLUMN (3). IF THE COMPANY'S LAST RATE CASE WAS BASED ON A PROJECTED TEST YEAR, THIS CALCULATION WILL BE THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN COLUMN (5) AND COLUMN (4).

(1,641)

12,005,290

(863,306)

4.2%

121.0%

-57.4%

(40,331)

21,927,003

641,221

CHEDULE A-5		EXECUTIVE SUM	2011 2 201	PAGE 1 OF 1		
	IBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION	EXPLANATION:P	ROVIDE A SCHEDULE OF RETURN COMPAR	TYPE OF DATA SHOWN:		
MPANY: FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMPANY DNSOLIDATED NATURAL GAS DIVISION CKET NO.: 040216-GU					TEST YEAR LAST CASE 1995 TEST YEAR CURRENT CASE 2005 WITNESS: BACHMAN	
LINE		DOLLARD	DATIO	EMBEDDED	WEIGHTED	
	FICH	DOLLARS	RATIO	COST	COST	
	LAST RATE CASE (AUTHORIZED)*					
1	Long Term Debt	9,484,864	34.8%	9.93%	3.46%	
2	Short-Term Debt	1,848,692	6.8%	6.93%	0.47%	
3	Preferred Stock	247,593	0.9%	4.75%	0.04%	
4	Common Equity	9,036,357	33.2%	11.40%	3.78%	
5	Customer Deposits	1,712,702	6.3%	6.50%	0.41%	
6	Deferred Taxes	4,147,876	15.2%	0.00%	0.00%	
7	ITC at Zero Cost	22,170	0.1%	0.00%	0.00%	
8	ITC at Overall Cost	741,282	2.7%	10.24%	0.28%	
9		, , , , , , , ,	2.770	10.2470	5.2076	
10						
	TOTAL CAPITALIZATION	27,241,536	100.00%		8.44%	
12		=========	=========		=========	
13						
	CURRENT RATE CASE (REQUESTED)					
16						
	Long Term Debt	25,692,326	39.0%	8.04%	3.14%	
	Short-Term Debt	406,282	0.6%	5.98%	0.04%	
	Preferred Stock	306,184	0.5%	4.75%	0.02%	
	Common Equity	28,806,171	43.8%	11.50%	5.03%	
	Customer Deposits	4,094,408	6.2%	6.28%	0.39%	
	Deferred Taxes	6,253,275	9.5%	0.00%	0.00%	
	TC at Zero Cost		0.0%	0.00%	0.00%	
	TC at Overall Cost	276,563	0.4%	9.81%	0.04%	
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26	and the second s	****	*****************			
27	TOTAL CAPITALIZATION	65,835,210	100.00%		8.66%	
		=========	=========	==========	=========	

<sup>\*</sup> IF THE COMPANY'S LAST RATE CASE INCLUDED A HISTORIC AND ATTRITION YEAR, REPORT THE CAPITAL STRUCTURE FOR THE ATTRITION YEAR. IF THE COMPANY'S LAST RATE CASE WAS BASED ON A PROJECTED TEST YEAR, REPORT THE CAPITAL STRUCTURE FOR THE PROJECTED TEST YEAR.

	HEDULE A-6	Ä		PAGE 1 OF 1						
CO	ORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION MPANY: FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMPANY DINSOLIDATED NATURAL GAS DIVISION CKET NO.: 040216-GU	1	EXPLANATION; BELOW FOR THI DATA BASE YEA	TYPE OF DATA SHOWN: TY OR BASE YR LAST CASE: 12/31/93 HIS. BASE YR DATA CURRENT: 12/31/2003 BASE YR +1 CURRENT CASE: 12/31/2004 PROJECTED TY CURRENT CASE: 12/31/2005 WITNESS: BACHMAN						
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	INTEREST COVERAGE RATIOS.	12/3	31/1993	12/31/	2003	12/3	1/2004	12/31/2005	12/31/2005	
1	INCLUDING AFUDC IN INCOME BEFORE INTEREST CHARGES		1.97		1,82		1.80			
2	EXCLUDING AFUDC FROM INCOME BEFORE INTEREST CHARGES		1.97		1.82		1.80			
	OTHER FINANCIAL RATIOS:							NOT AVAILABLE ON	CONSOLIDATED BASIS	
3	AFUDC AS A PERCENT OF INCOME AVAILABLE FOR COMMON		0.63%		N/A		N/A	UNTIL DECEMBER 2	004 WHEN 2005 BUDGET	
4	PERCENT OF CONSTRUCTION FUNDS GENERATED INTERNALLY		16%		49%		N/A	WILL BE COMPLETE	D	
	PREFERRED DIVIDEND COVERAGE:									
5	INCLUDING AFUDC		60.38		86.97 **		83.90			
6	EXCLUDING AFUDC		59.83		86.96 **		83.90			
	RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES:									
7	INCLUDING AFUDC		1.97		1.82 **		1.80			
8	EXCLUDING AFUDC		1.97		1.82 **		1.80			
	EARNINGS PER SHARE:									
9	INCLUDING AFUDC	\$	0.46 ***	\$	0.64 **	\$	0.53			
10	EXCLUDING AFUDC	\$	0.46 ***	\$	0.64 **	\$	0.53			
11	DIVIDENDS PER SHARE	\$	0.42 ***	\$	0.59	\$	0.60			

<sup>\*</sup> Includes estimated 5 months of interim rate relief.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Excludes Discontinued Operations

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Re-stated for Stock Splits July 1998 2:1 and July 2002 4:3

#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that true and correct copy of the Synopsis of the Rate Case has been served upon the following parties by U.S. Mail this 9<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2004.

Chief Executive Officer City of Atlantis 260 Orange Tree Drive Atlantis, Florida 33462

Chief Executive Officer City of Boca Raton 201 West Palmetto Park Road Boca Raton, FL 33432

Chief Executive Officer City of Boynton Beach P.O. Box 310 Boynton Beach, FL 33425-0310

Chief Executive Officer Town of Briny Breezes 5000 Ocean Blvd. Boynton Beach, FL 33435

Chief Executive Officer Town of Cloud Lake 1 Lange Road Cloud Lake, FL 33406

Chief Executive Officer City of Delray Beach 100 NW 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue Delray Beach, FL 33444

Chief Executive Officer Town of Glen Ridge 1501 Glen Road West Palm Beach, FL 33406

Chief Executive Officer Village of Golf 21 Country Road Golf, Florida 33426 Chief Executive Officer City of Greenacres 3989 Tenth Avenue North Greenacres, FL 33463

Chief Executive Officer City of Gulfstream 100 Sea Road Gulfstream, FL 33483

Chief Executive Officer Town of Haverhill 4585 Charlotte Street Haverhill, FL 33409

Chief Executive Officer Town of Highland Beach 3614 S. Ocean Blvd. Highland Beach, FL 33487

Chief Executive Officer Town of Hypoluxo 7580 S. Federal Highway Hypoluxo, Florida 33462-6034

Chief Executive Officer Town of Juno Beach 340 Ocean Drive Juno Beach, FL 33408

Chief Executive Officer Town of Manalapan 600 S. Ocean Blvd. Manalapan, FL 33462

Chief Executive Officer Town of Mangonia Park 1755 e. Tiffany Drive Mangonia Park, FL 33407 Chairman
Palm Beach County Board of County
Commissioners
301 N. Olive Avenue
West Palm Beach, FL 33401

Chief Executive Officer Town of Lake Clarke Shores 1701 Barbados Road Lake Clarke Shores, FL 33406

Chief Executive Officer Town of Lake Park 535 Park Avenue Lake Park, FL 33403

Chief Executive Officer City of Lake Worth 7 North Dixie Highway Lake Worth, FL 33460

Chief Executive Officer Town of Lantana 500 Greynolds Circle Lantana, FL 33462

Chief Executive Officer Village of North Palm Beach 501 U.S. Highway #1 North Palm Beach, FL 33408

Chief Executive Officer Town of Ocean Ridge 6450 N. Ocean Blvd. Ocean Ridge, FL 33435

Chief Executive Officer Town of Palm Beach 360 S. County Road Palm Beach, FL 33480

Chief Executive Officer City of Palm Beach Gardens 10500 North Military Trail Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410 Chief Executive Officer
Town of Palm Beach Shores
Town Hall
247 Edwards Lane
Palm Beach Shores, FL 33404-5792

Chief Executive Officer The Village of Palm Springs 226 Cypress Lane Palm Springs, FL 33461-1699

Chief Executive Officer City of Riviera Beach 600 West Blue Heron Blvd. Riviera Beach, FL 33404

Chief Executive Officer Village of Royal Palm Beach 1050 Royal Palm Beach Boulevard Royal Palm Beach, FL 33411

Chief Executive Officer Town of South Palm Beach 3577 South Ocean Blvd South Palm Beach, FL 33480

Chief Executive Officer Village of Wellington Weillington Municipal Complex 14000 Greenbriar Boulevard Wellington, FL 33414

Chairman
Volusia County Board of County
Commissioners
123 W. Indiana Avenue
DeLand, FL 32720

Chief Executive Officer City of DeBary 127 South Highway 17-92 DeBary, FL 32713 Chief Executive Officer City of DeLand 120 S. Florida Avenue DeLand, FL 32721

Chief Executive Officer City of Deltona 2345 Providence Boulevard Deltona, FL 32725

Chief Executive Officer City of Edgewater 104 N. Riverside Drive Edgewater, Florida 32132

Chief Executive Officer City of New Smyrna Beach 210 Sams Avenue New Smyrna Beach, FL 32168-9985

Chief Executive Officer Town of Orange City 205 E. Graves Avenue Orange City, FL 32763

Chairman
Broward County Board of County
Commissioners
115 S. Andrews Avenue
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

Chief Executive Officer City of Deerfield Beach 150 N.E. 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue Deerfield Beach, FL 33441

Chairman
Seminole County Board of County
Commissioners
1101 East First Street
Sanford, FL 32771

Chief Executive Officer City of Lake Mary P.O. Box 9585445 Lake Mary, FL 32795-8445

Chief Executive Officer City of Longwood 175 West Warren Avenue Longwood, FL 32750-4107

Chief Executive Officer City of Sanford P.O. Box 1788 Sanford, FL 32772-1788

Chief Executive Officer City of Winter Springs 1126 State Road 434 Winter Springs, FL 32708

Palm Beach County Library 3650 Summit Boulevard West Palm Beach, FL 33406

Broward County Library 100 S. Andrews Avenue Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

Seminole County Library 215 N. Oxford Road Casselberry, Florida 32707

Volusia County Library 1290 Indian Lake Rd. Daytona Beach, FL 32124

Norman H. Horton, Jr.

### **IMPORTANT**

## NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS AND NOTICE OF CUSTOMER MEETINGS

# TO THE CUSTOMERS OF FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMPANY AND ALL OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES

RE: Docket No. 040216-GU – Application for a Rate Increase by Florida Public Utilities

On May 10, 2004, Florida Public Utilities Company ("Company") filed a Petition with the Florida Public Service Commission seeking approval to increase rates and charges for natural gas service to produce an additional \$8,186,989 in revenues. The Company also requested an interim increase of \$1,490,980 to be approved and implemented pending final action on the permanent increase.

The Company believes that this increase is needed in order to enable the Company to continue to provide sufficient, adequate and efficient service and to afford the Company an opportunity to earn a fair rate of return.

The Company has experienced increases in operating expenses, due in part to increased insurance costs, pension costs, property and liability costs, compliance costs, inflation, and other pressures which have caused expenses to increase. In addition, to continue to provide reasonable, sufficient service, the Company will need to attract additional capital for new facilities and replacement programs. In order to produce the additional revenues the Company is proposing to restructure its rates and charges. Included in the restructuring is elimination of the separate schedules of rates and charges for customers acquired from South Florida Natural Gas and inclusion of all customers on common schedules. Detailed information on the Company's request is contained in the minimum filing requirements and prefiled testimony, which can be viewed during normal business hours (8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday) at the following Company offices.

401 South Dixie Highway West Palm Beach, Florida 33401-5886 (561) 832-0872

450 South Highway 17-92 DeBary, Florida 32713 (386) 668-2600

701 Eleanor Avenue New Smyrna Beach, Florida 32168 (386)428-5721

Additionally, a synopsis of the rate case will be available at these offices and at the main branch of the local public library.

### **CUSTOMER MEETINGS**

Notice is also given that customer meetings have been scheduled in July 2004 to allow customers to express their views regarding the quality of service they receive from the Company and other matters pertaining to the requested rate increase. One or more Commissioners may be present at the customer meetings. The dates, times and locations of the customer meetings are as follows:

July 7, 2004, 6:00 p.m. Florida Department of Environmental Protection Southeast District Office 400 North Congress Avenue, Suite 200 West Palm Beach, Florida 33401 July 8, 2004, 6:00 p.m. City of Deltona City Commission Chambers, City Hall 2345 Providence Blvd. Deltona, Florida 32725

All customers who wish to comment are urged to be present at the beginning of the meeting, since the meeting may be adjourned early if no customers are present. The meeting will begin as scheduled and will continue until all of the customers have been heard.

Any person requiring some accommodation at the customer meetings because of physical impairment should call the Commission's Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services at 850-413-6770 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting. Any person who is hearing or speech impaired should contact the Florida Public Service Commission by using the Florida Relay Service, which can be reached at 1-800-955-8771 (TDD).

### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of the meetings is to give customers and other interested persons an opportunity to offer comments to the Public Service Commission regarding the quality of service the utility provides and to ask questions and comment on the utility's proposed rates included in this notice as well as other issues. staff members will answer questions to the extent possible. A representative from the utility has also been invited to respond to questions.

At the beginning of the meeting, procedures will be established for the order of comments. The Public Service Commission will have sign-up sheets, and customers will be called in the order that they sign-up to speak. Public Service Commission staff will be available to coordinate customers' comments and to assist members of the public.

Any person who wishes to comment or provide information to staff may do so at the meetings, orally or in writing. Written comments may also be sent to the Commission at the address given at the end of this notice. You letter will be placed in the correspondence file of this docket. You may also submit comments through the Public Service Commission's toll-free facsimile line at 1-800-511-0809.

### PROCEDURES AFTER CUSTOMER MEETINGS

After the meetings, Public Service Commission staff will prepare a recommendation which is tentatively scheduled to be submitted to the Public Service Commission on October 7, 2004. The Public Service Commission will then vote on staff's recommendation at it's October 19, 2004 agenda conference. The Commission will thereafter issue a proposed agency action order containing rates which may be different from those contained in staff's final recommendation. Substantially affected persons have 21 days to protest the Commission's proposed agency action order.

### PRESENT AND PROPOSED RATES

The utility's present and proposed rates are set out on the attached Appendix A. These rates are preliminary and subject to change based on information gathered at the customer meeting, further staff review, and the final decision by the Commissioners.

### SCHEDULE OF THE CASE

The Commission is currently scheduled to consider the Company's request for interirn rate relief on July 6, 2004 and its request for permanent rate relief on October 19, 2004, in Room 148, Betty Easley Conference Center, 4075 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee, Florida, beginning at 9:30 a.m.

The following is the current rate case schedule established by the Commission that contains all the critical events and dates. This schedule is subject to change by the Commission.

Staff Recommendation on Interim Rates	June 24, 2004
Agenda Conference on Interim Rates	July 6, 2004
Customer meeting, West Palm Beach	July 7, 2004
Customer meeting, Deltona	July 8, 2004
Standard Order on Interim Rates	July 26, 2004
Audit Report Due	August 16, 2004
Staff Recommendation on Final Rates	October 7, 2004
Agenda Conference on Final Rates	October 19, 2004
Proposed Agency Action Order on Final Rates	November 8, 2004

Any customer comments regarding the Company's service or the proposed rate increase should be addressed to:

Director, Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Such comments should refer to Docket No. 040216-GU, which is the docket number that has been assigned to this proceeding.

If you wish to contact the Commission regarding complaints about service, you may call (toll free) or write the Florida Public Service Commission's Division Regulatory Compliance and consumer Assistant:

Division of Regulatory Compliance and Consumer Assistance Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850 1-800-342-3552 (Toll Free Number)

Company personnel may be contacted to answer questions concerning the rate request at the address shown on your gas service bill, or by calling the phone numbers listed above for the various locations.

This notice was prepared by the utility with the assistance of the Commission staff for distribution by the utility to its customers.

### APPENDIX A FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMPANY COMPARISON OF PRESENT AND PROPOSED RATES

Residential Service: Standard

Present

Proposed

Customer Charge

\$8.00 per customer

\$8.00

Energy Charge

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per month .33512 \$ per therm

.52644 \$ per therm

Residential Service: New Smyrna Beach

Present

Proposed

Customer Charge

\$7.00 per customer

\$8.00

per month

.56654 \$ per therm

.52644 \$ per therm

**General Service** 

Energy Charge

Present

Proposed

Customer Charge

\$15.00 per customer

\$15.00

per month

Energy Charge

.21513 \$ per therm

.36543 \$ per therm

General Service: New Smyrna Beach

Present

Proposed

Customer Charge

\$12.00 per customer

\$15.00

per month

Energy Charge

.23514 \$ per therm

.36543 \$ per therm

General Service Transportation Service

Present

Proposed

Customer Charge

\$15.00 per customer

\$15.00

Energy Charge

per month .21513 \$ per therm

.36543 \$ per therm

Non monitored Transportation

Charge

\$4.50 per customer per month

General Service Transportation Service: New Smyrna Beach

Present

Proposed

Customer Charge

\$12.00 per customer

\$15.00

Energy Charge

per month .23514 \$ per therm

.36543 \$ per therm

Non monitored Transportation

Charge

\$4.50 per customer per month

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	Present	Proposed
Customer	\$45.00	\$45.00
Energy	.15474	.27639

### Large Volume Service: New Smyrna Beach

	Present	Proposed
Customer	\$12.00	\$45.00
Energy	.23514	.27639

### Large Volume Transportation Service < 50,000 therms

	Present	Proposed
Customer	\$45.00	\$45.00
Energy	.15474	.27639
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Non monitored Transportation

Charge \$4.50 per month

### Large Volume Transportation Service: New Smyrna Beach < 50,000 therms

	Present	Proposed	
Customer	\$12.00	\$45.00	
Energy	.23514	.27639	

Non monitored Transportation

Charge \$4.50 per month

### Large Volume Transportation Service: >50,000 therms

	Present	Proposed
Customer	\$45.00	\$45.00
Energy	.15474	.27639
Non monitored Transportation		
Charge	\$136.50 per customer	
	per month	
Incremental Charges*		\$50.50

### \*Monthly Incremental Charges include:

A. RTU Maintenance & Change Out Charge = \$30.00

B. Monitoring & Reporting Charge = \$16.00

C. Non-Monitored Transportation = \$4.50

### Large Volume Transportation Service: New Smyrna Beach >50,000 therms

	Present	Proposed
Customer	\$12.00	\$45.00
Energy	.23514	.27639
Non monitored Transportation		
Charge	\$136.50 per customer	
Incremental Charges*	per month	\$50.50

<sup>\*</sup>Monthly Incremental Charges include:

- A. RTU Maintenance & Change Out Charge = \$30.00
- B. Monitoring & Reporting Charge = \$16.00
- C. Non-Monitored Transportation = \$4.50

Interrup	otible	Service
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Customer	<u>Present</u> \$240.00	<u>Proposed</u> \$240.00
Customer	\$240.00	\$240.00
Energy	.06612	.11652
RTU Maintenance		
& Change Out Charge		\$30.00

### **Interruptible Transportation Service**

	Present	Proposed
Customer	\$240.00	\$240.00
Energy	.06612	.11652
Non monitored Transportation		
Charge	\$54.00 per customer	
	per month	
Incremental Charges	-	\$50.50

\*Monthly Incremental Charges include:
A. RTU Maintenance & Change Out Charge = \$30.00
B. Monitoring & Reporting Charge = \$16.00
C. Non-Monitored Transportation = \$4.50

### Gas Lighting - GS

	<u>Present</u>	Proposed
Customer	\$15.00	0
Energy	.21513	.16107

### Gas Lighting - LV

	Present	Proposed
Customer	\$45.00	0
Energy	.15474	.16107

	Present West Palm Beach Division Sanford & DeLand Districts	Present West Palm Beach Division Sanford & DeLand Districts	New :	esent Smyrna District	Proposed RS, GS, GSTS, LVS, LVTS, IS &		
	LVS & LVTS Customers	All Other Customers	Residential	Commercial	RS	GS & GSTS	LVS, LVTS, IS & ITS
Establishment of Service	\$57.00	\$25.00	\$20.00	\$30.00			
Regularly Scheduled					\$42.00	\$60.00	\$90.00
Same Day or Outside Normal Business Hours					\$56.00	\$79.00	\$119.00
Reconnection after Disconnection	\$48.00	\$21.00	\$20.00	\$30.00			
Change of Account (Read Meter Only)	\$12.00	\$12.00	\$10.00	\$10.00			
Regularly Scheduled					\$19.00	\$19.00	\$1 9.00
Same Day or Outside Normal Business Hours					\$24.00	\$24.00	\$24.00
Reconnection After Disconnection for Non-Pay	\$58.00	\$31.00	\$20.00	\$30.00			
Regularly Scheduled					\$60.00	\$78.00	\$1 08.00
Same Day or Outside Normal Business Hours					\$74.00	\$97.00	\$1 37.00
Bill Collection in Lieu of Disconnection for Non-Pay	\$9.00	\$9.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$16.00	\$16.00	\$1 6.00

		Present West Palm Beach Division Sanford & DeLand Districts	Present West Palm Beach Division Sanford & DeLand Districts	New S	Present Proposed  New Smyma Beach District RS, GS, GSTS, LVS, LVTS, IS & ITS			
		LVS & LVTS Customers	All Other Customers	Residential	Commercial	RS	GS & GSTS	LVS, LVTS, IS &
keep the	ed Trip Charge - lies when omer fails to o scheduled ointment with Company's ployee, agent, or esentative							
	Regularly Scheduled					\$19.00	\$19.00	\$19.00
	Same Day or Outside Normal Business Hours					\$24.00	\$24.00	\$24.00
Electronic approximate customate cus	s Paid ctronically - lies when a tomer chooses to to payment by dit Card, Debit d, or Electronic						\$3.50 for eac	h transaction

### Worthless Check Charge

The service charge for each worthless check shall be determined in accordance with Section 68.065, Florida Statutes. Such service charge shall be added to the customer's bill for gas service for each check dishonored by the bank upon which it is drawn. Termination of service shall not be made for failure to pay the returned check charge.

### Late Payment Charge

A bill shall be considered past due upon the expiration of twenty (20) days from the date of mailing or other delivery therof by Company. The balance of all past due charges for services rendered are subject to a Late Payment Charge of 1.5% or \$5.00, whichever is greater, except the accounts of federal, state, and local governmental entities, agencies, and instrumentalities. A late Payment Charge shall be applied to the accounts of federal, state, and local government entities and instrumentalities at a rate no greater than allowed, and in a manner permitted by applicable law.