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Re: Docket No. 050003-GU

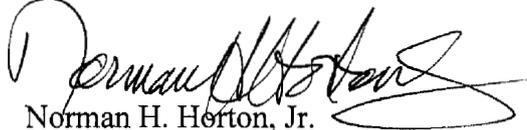
Dear Ms. Bayo:

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.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

  
Norman H. Horton, Jr.

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cc: Mr. Cheryl Martin  
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**BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

In re: Purchased Gas Cost Recovery )  
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Docket No. 050003-GU  
Filed: October 5, 2005

**FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMPANY'S  
STATEMENT OF PRELIMINARY ISSUES AND POSITIONS**

Florida Public Utilities Company ("FPUC") hereby submits its preliminary issues and positions to be taken up at the hearing scheduled for November 7-9, 2005 in this docket.

**Issue 1:        What is the appropriate final purchased gas adjustment true-up amount for the period January, 2004 through December, 2004?**

FPU's Position:        \$772,395 (overrecovery)

**Issue 2:        What is the estimated purchased gas adjustment true-up amount for the period January, 2005 through December, 2005?**

FPU's Position:        \$2,208,051 (underrecovery)

**Issue 3:        What is the total purchased gas adjustment true-up amount to be refunded in the January, 2005 through December, 2005 period?**

FPU's Position:        \$1,435,656 (underrecovery)

**Issue 4:        What is the appropriate levelized purchased gas cost recovery (cap) factor to be charged during the period January, 2005 through December, 2005?**

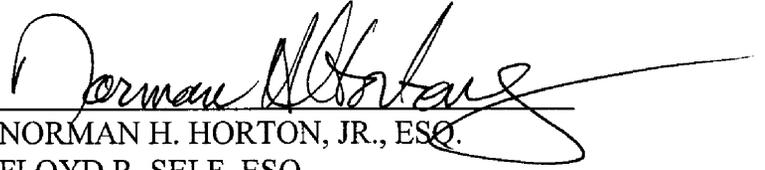
FPU's Position:        155.053 cents per therm.

**Issue 5:        What should be the effective date of the new purchased gas adjustment charge for billing purposes?**

FPU's Position:        The factor should be effective for all meter readings on or after January, 2006, beginning with the first or applicable billing cycle for the period January, 2006 through December, 2006.

Dated this 5<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2005.

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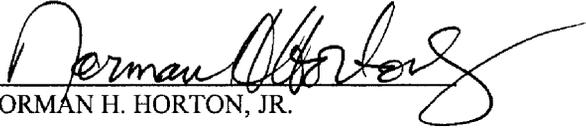
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