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September 29, 2008

Docket No. 080514-GU – Investigation into 2006 earnings of the gas division of Florida Public Utilities Company.

<u>Issue 1</u>: What is the appropriate amount of rate base for the Gas Division of Florida Public Utilities Company for determining the amount of excess earnings for 2006?

Recommendation: The appropriate amount of rate base for the Gas Division of Florida Public Utilities Company for determining the amount of excess earnings for 2006 is \$57,640,036.

APPROVED

<u>Issue 2</u>: What is the appropriate overall rate of return for the Gas Division of Florida Public Utilities Company for determining the amount of excess earnings for 2006?

<u>Recommendation:</u> The appropriate overall rate of return for the Gas Division of Florida Public Utilities Company for determining the amount of excess earnings for 2006 is 8.29 percent.

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COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: All Commissioners

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<u>Issue 3</u>: What is the appropriate net operating income for the Gas Division of Florida Public Utilities Company for determining the amount of excess earnings for 2006?

<u>Recommendation:</u> The appropriate net operating income for the Gas Division of Florida Public Utilities Company for determining the amount of excess earnings for 2006 is \$4,876,605.

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<u>Issue 4</u>: What is the appropriate amount of excess earnings for the Gas Division of Florida Public Utilities Company for 2006?

Recommendation: The appropriate amount of excess earnings for the Gas Division of Florida Public Utilities Company for 2006 is \$176,144, including interest of \$16,199 through August 31, 2008. Interest should continue to accrue until a final disposition of the excess earnings is made.

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<u>Issue 5</u>: What is the appropriate disposition of the 2006 excess earnings for the Gas Division of Florida Public Utilities Company?

Recommendation: The 2006 excess earnings of \$176,144, including interest, should be applied to the storm reserve to cover future storm-related costs.

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Issue 6: Should this docket be closed?

<u>Recommendation</u>: If no person whose substantial interests are affected by the proposed agency action files a protest within 21 days of the issuance of the order, this docket should be closed upon the issuance of a consummating order.

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