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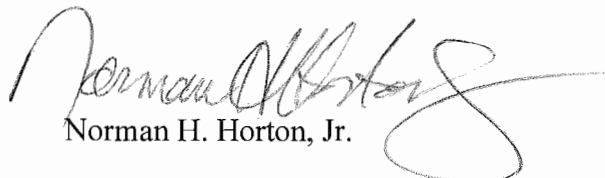
Re: Docket No. 080003-GU

Dear Ms. Cole:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of Florida Public Utilities Company is Florida Public Utilities Company's Prehearing Statement in the above referenced docket. Also enclosed is the document in MS Word 2003 format.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,



Norman H. Horton, Jr.

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Enclosures

cc: Ms. Cheryl Martin  
Parties of Record

**BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

In re: Purchased Gas Cost Recovery )  
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Docket No. 080003-GU  
Filed: October 10, 2008

**FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMPANY'S  
PREHEARING STATEMENT**

Florida Public Utilities Company ("FPU") hereby submits its prehearing statement to be taken up at the hearing now scheduled to begin on November 4-6, 2008 in this docket.

**A. WITNESSES**

<u>Witness</u>	<u>Subject Matter</u>	<u>Issues</u>
Cheryl M. Martin	Purchased gas cost recovery true-ups and projected gas adjustments	1, 2, 3, and 5
Christopher M. Snyder	Natural gas sales projection, demand and commodity costs, and WACOG	4

**B. EXHIBITS**

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Witness</u>	<u>Description</u>
CM-1	Martin	Schedule A-7
CMM-2 (Composite)	Martin	Schedules E-1, E-1/R, E-2, E-3, E-4, and E-5

**C. BASIC POSITION**

FPU has properly projected its true-up amounts and projected gas costs. Its costs and projections are reasonable and its purchased gas cost recovery factors should be approved by the Commission.

#### **D. STATEMENT OF ISSUES AND POSITIONS**

**Issue 1:** What are the final purchased gas adjustment true-up amounts for the period January 2007 through December 2007?

FPU's Position: \$2,339,141 (underrecovery)

**Issue 2:** What are the actual/estimated purchased gas adjustment true-up amounts for the period January 2008 through December 2008?

FPU's Position: \$3,273,997 (overrecovery)

**Issue 3:** What are the total purchased gas adjustment true-up amounts to be collected/refunded during the period January 2009 through December 2009 period?

FPU's Position: \$934,856 (overrecovery)

**Issue 4:** What are the levelized purchased gas cost recovery (cap) factors for the period January 2009 through December 2009?

FPU's Position: 158.107 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 2009, beginning with the first or applicable billing cycle for the period January 2009 through December, 2009.

#### **E. QUESTIONS OF LAW**

None.

#### **F. POLICY QUESTIONS**

None.

#### **G. STIPULATED ISSUES**

None.

**H. MOTIONS**

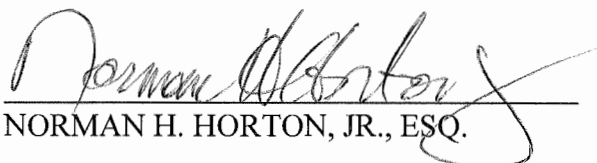
None

**I. OTHER MATTERS**

None.

Dated this 10<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2008.

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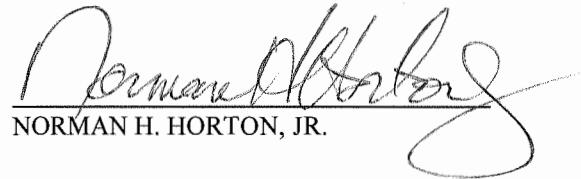
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