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DATE:

June 11, 2015

TO:

Office of Commission Clerk

FROM:

Lynn M. Deamer, Chief of Auditing, Office of Auditing and Performance Analysis

RE:

Docket No.: 150003-GU

Company Name: St. Joe Natural Gas Company

Company Code: GU610

Audit Purpose: Purchased Gas Cost Recovery Clause

Audit Control No: 15-014-1-4

Attached is the final audit report for the Utility stated above. I am sending the Utility a copy of this memo and the audit report. If the Utility desires to file a response to the audit report, it should send a response to the Office of Commission Clerk. There is no confidential work papers associated with this audit.

LMD/cp

Attachment: Audit Report

cc:

Office of Auditing and Performance Analysis File

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# **Jublic Service Commission**

Office of Auditing and Performance Analysis Bureau of Auditing Tallahassee District Office

## **Auditor's Report**

St. Joe Natural Gas Company, Inc. Purchased Gas Cost Recovery Clause

Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2014

Docket No. 150003-GU Audit Control No. 15-014-1-4 June 5, 2015

Hymavathi Vedula

Audit Manager

Reviewer

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### <u>Purpose</u>

#### To: Florida Public Service Commission

We have performed the procedures described later in this report to meet the agreed-upon objectives set forth by the Division of Economics in its audit service request dated January 6, 2015. We have applied these procedures to the attached summary exhibit and to several related schedules prepared by St. Joe Natural Gas Company, Inc. in support of its 2014 filing for the Purchased Gas Cost Recovery Clause in Docket No. 150003-GU.

This audit was performed following General Standards and Fieldwork Standards found in the AICPA Statements on Standards for Attestation Engagements. Our report is based on agreed-upon procedures. The report is intended only for internal Commission use.

### Objectives and Procedures

#### General

#### Definition

Utility refers to the St. Joe Natural Gas Company, Inc. PGA refers to the Purchased Gas Cost Recovery Clause.

#### Revenue

#### **Operating Revenues**

**Objectives:** The objectives were to determine the actual therms sold for the period January 1, 2014, through December 31, 2014, and whether the Utility applied the Commission approved cost recovery factor to actual therm sales.

**Procedures:** We traced revenues reported on the 2014 filing to the Utility's general ledger and the monthly revenue reports. We selected a random sample of residential and commercial customers' bills for January, March, May, July, September and November and recalculated them to verify that the correct tariff rates were used. No exceptions were noted.

#### Expense

#### Operation and Maintenance Expense

**Objectives:** The objectives were to determine whether the operation and maintenance (O&M) expenses listed on Schedule A-2 of the Utility's filing were supported by sufficient documentation and that the expenses are appropriately recoverable through the PGA.

**Procedures:** We traced expenses reported on the filing to the general ledger. We traced a sample of O&M expenses to source documentation to ensure the expenses were supported by sufficient documentation and that the expenses were appropriately recoverable through the PGA. No exceptions were noted.

## True-up

**Objective:** The objective was to determine if the True-Up and Interest Provision as filed on Schedule A-2 was properly calculated.

**Procedures:** We traced the December 31, 2013, True-Up Provision to the Commission Order. We recalculated the True-Up and Interest Provision amounts as of December 31, 2014, using the

Commission approved beginning balance as of December 31, 2013, the Non-Financial Commercial Paper rates, and the 2014 PGA revenues and costs. No exceptions were noted.

## **Analytical Review**

**Objective:** The objective was to perform an analytical review of the Utility's PGA revenues and expenses to determine if there were any material changes or inconsistencies from the prior year.

**Procedures:** We compared 2014 to 2013 revenues and expenses. We requested explanations from the Utility for significant variances. Explanations provided were sufficient. Further follow-up was not required.

## Audit Findings

None

## **Exhibit**

Exhibit 1: True-Up

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OMPANY: ST JOE NATURAL GAS CO CALCULATIO	N OF TRUE-UP						SCHEDUL	-	
FOR THE PERIOD OF:	JANUARY 2014	Through	)	DECEMBE	R 2014		MANAGEMENT A CONTROL TO STATE OF A SHARE BAS	December of November 1972	
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	ACTUAL	ESTIMATE	DIFFERE	NCE	ACTUAL	ESTIMATE		FERENC	
		1	AMOUNT	%			AMOUNT	%	
RUE-UP CALCULATION	1		-						
1 PURCHASED GAS COST LINE 4, A/1	\$52,117	\$55,162	3,045	0.055204	\$509,976	\$462,309	-47,667	-0.103	
2 TRANSPORTATION COST (LINE(1+5+6-(7+6+	\$12,881	\$17,039	4,158	0.244006	\$138,981	\$86,301	-52.680	-0.610	
3 TOTAL	\$64,998	\$72,201	7,203	0.099759	\$648,957	\$548,610	-100,347	-0 182	
4 FUEL REVENUES	\$62.529	\$72,201	9,672	0 133959	\$584,771	\$548,610	-36,161	-0 065	
(NET OF REVENUE TAX)									
5 TRUE-UP(COLLECTED) OR REFUNDED	\$2,865	\$2,865	0	0	\$34 378	\$34.378	0		
6 FUEL REVENUE APPLICABLE TO PERIOD .	\$65,394	\$75,066	9,672	0 128846	\$619,149	\$582,988	-36,161	-0.0626	
(LINE 4 (+ or -) LINE 5)									
7 TRUE-UP PROVISION - THIS PERIOD (LINE 6 - LINE 3)	\$396	\$2,865	2,469	0 861919	-\$29.808	\$34,378	64,186	1 8570	
8 INTEREST PROVISION-THIS PERIOD (21)	-\$2	-\$3	-1	0.339912	-\$4	-\$36	-32	0.8844	
9 BEGINNING OF PERIOD TRUE-UP AND	-\$38,106	(\$59,599)	-21.493	0.360628	\$23.613	(\$59,566)	-83,179	1.3964	
10 TRUE-UP COLLECTED OR (REFUNDED) (REVERSE OF LINE 5)	(2,865)	(2.865)	o	o	(34,378)	(34,378)	o		
10a FLEX RATE REFUND (if applicable)	so	so	0	0	so	so	ا		
11 TOTAL ESTIMATED/ACTUAL TRUE-UP	-\$40.578	-559.602	- 1	0.319198	-\$40,578	-\$59,602	-19,025	0 3191	
(7+8+9+10+10a)	-540.070	-305.002	*15,025	0.010100	-540,570	000.002	10,020		
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12 BEGINNING TRUE-UP AND	(38,106)	(59.599)	/21 4931	0.360628	If line 5 is a	refund add t	o line 4		
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13 ENDING TRUE-UP BEFORE	(40,575)	(59,599)	(19 024)	0.319197					
INTEREST (12+7-5)	(10,070)	(50.500)	(10,52.)	0.0.0,0,					
14 TOTAL (12+13)	(78,681)	(119,198)	(40 517)	0.339912					
15 AVERAGE (50% OF 14)	(39,341)	1	1	0.339912					
16 INTEREST RATE - FIRST	0.07	0.07	(20,200)	0					
DAY OF MONTH	0.0.		1	Ĭ					
17 INTEREST RATE - FIRST	0.07	0.07	٥	o					
DAY OF SUBSEQUENT MONTH	307	5.53	1	١					
18 TOTAL (16+17)	0.14	0.14	اه	0					
19 AVERAGE (50% OF 18)	0.14	0.07	ö	o					
20 MONTHLY AVERAGE (19/12 Months)	0 00563	0.00563	ام	٥					
21 INTEREST PROVISION (15x20)	-2	-3	1	0.339912					