

1 FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

2 In the Matter of:

DOCKET NO. 20230023-GU

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4 Petition for rate increase by Peoples
Gas Systems, Inc.

5 _____/
DOCKET NO. 20220219-GU

6 Petition for approval of 2022 depreciation
7 study by Peoples Gas Systems, Inc.

8 _____/
DOCKET NO. 20220212-GU

9 Petition for approval of depreciation rate
10 and subaccount for renewable natural gas
facilities leased to others by Peoples
Gas Systems, Inc.

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12 PROCEEDINGS: SERVICE HEARING
13 COMMISSIONERS
PARTICIPATING: CHAIRMAN ANDREW GILES FAY
14 COMMISSIONER ART GRAHAM
COMMISSIONER GARY F. CLARK
15 COMMISSIONER MIKE LA ROSA
COMMISSIONER GABRIELLA PASSIDOMO

16 DATE: Tuesday, July 11, 2023

17 TIME: Commenced: 2:00 p.m.
Concluded: 2:10 p.m.

18 PLACE: Betty Easley Conference Center
19 Room 148
4075 Esplanade Way
20 Tallahassee, Florida

21 REPORTED BY: DEBRA R. KRICK
22 Court Reporter and
Notary Public in and for
23 the State of Florida at Large

24 PREMIER REPORTING
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9 Florida (OPC.).

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12 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, appearing on behalf of
13 the Florida Public Service Commission (Staff).

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1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 CHAIRMAN FAY: All right. Good afternoon,
3 everyone. Let's get started with our virtual
4 customer service meeting for this afternoon.

5 I did confirm with our folks that we currently
6 do not have anyone signed up for -- called, making
7 sure nobody is on the line at this time.

8 Okay. With that I just want to go through a
9 few components of the customer hearing process, and
10 if someone joins us during that time, then we will
11 make sure to allow them the opportunity to speak.

12 First, this customer service is designed for
13 -- the customer service hearing is designed for the
14 customer feedback.

15 I am Andrew Fay. I am the Chair of the
16 Commission. And with me is Commissioner Passidomo,
17 Commissioner Clark and Commissioner La Rosa, and I
18 believe we have Commissioner Graham also on the
19 line with us today, maybe. Okay. Well, we will
20 verify that before the conclusion of the meeting.

21 With that, Commissioners, do you have any
22 comments that you would like to added for the
23 record or introductions? Okay.

24 All righty. With that, we will move into the
25 hearing itself.

1 Staff counsel, will you please read the
2 notice?

3 MR. THOMPSON: Thank you.

4 By notice published on June 13th, 2023, this
5 time and place has been set for a customer service
6 hearing in Docket Nos. 20230023, 20220219 and
7 20220212. The purpose of additional hearing is
8 upset forth more fully in the notice.

9 Thank you.

10 CHAIRMAN FAY: Okay. Great. Thank you.

11 Next we will move into appearances. We will
12 first take up Peoples Gas System appearance.

13 MR. WAHLEN: Good afternoon, Commissioners. I
14 am Jeff Wahlen of the Ausley McMullen law firm in
15 Tallahassee on behalf of Peoples Gas System, Inc.

16 CHAIRMAN FAY: Okay. Great.

17 Next, Office of Public Counsel.

18 MS. WESSLING: Good afternoon. This is Ali
19 Wessling here on behalf of Office of Public
20 Counsel.

21 CHAIRMAN FAY: All righty. Staff.

22 MR. THOMPSON: Major Thompson and Ryan Sandy
23 on behalf of the PSC Office of General Counsel.

24 CHAIRMAN FAY: Okay. Great thanks. That
25 takes care of appearances.

1 We won't go through some of the procedure
2 other than specifically for the record just
3 acknowledging the other opportunities that
4 customers have to engage in addition to the
5 in-person hearings that we've had, and the virtual
6 hearings that are taking place.

7 The utility, itself, has a contact number of
8 (877)832-6747, which is available during normal
9 business hours for customers.

10 The Commission has Dylan Andrews, who is
11 available in this docket. His email is
12 dandrews@psc.state.fl.us, and his contact is
13 (850)413-6510.

14 In addition to that, customers can submit
15 information directly into the Clerk's office
16 regarding of this docket, and so if they choose to
17 do that, they would submit either a pre-addressed
18 comment card, which is available on-line, or
19 through email at clerk@psc.state.fl.us, and just
20 make sure to reference Docket 20230023.

21 With that -- okay, so for Peoples Gas, opening
22 statements, if you would like to provide something,
23 you are welcome to, otherwise you can waive your
24 time.

25 MR. WAHLEN: I think we've given the opening

1 statement a couple of times. It's in the record.
2 We will be happy to waive today.

3 Thank you.

4 CHAIRMAN FAY: Okay. Great.

5 Ms. Wessling.

6 MS. WESSLING: Since there is no customers on
7 the line, we will also just rely on our previous
8 comments.

9 CHAIRMAN FAY: Okay. Great. Thank you so
10 much.

11 With that, we have addressed everything
12 procedurally in the hearing. We still don't have
13 anybody on the line at this time except for maybe
14 Commissioner Graham, I think we might have you
15 confirmed, caller 02.

16 COMMISSIONER GRAHAM: Yes, sir. I am here.

17 CHAIRMAN FAY: Okay. Great.

18 All right. So with that, Commissioners, any
19 other comments for this hearing?

20 With that, this hearing is concluded. Thank
21 you so much.

22 (Proceedings concluded.)

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CERTIFICATE OF REPORTER


STATE OF FLORIDA)
COUNTY OF LEON)

I, DEBRA KRICK, Court Reporter, do hereby certify that the foregoing proceeding was heard at the time and place herein stated.

IT IS FURTHER CERTIFIED that I stenographically reported the said proceedings; that the same has been transcribed under my direct supervision; and that this transcript constitutes a true transcription of my notes of said proceedings.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that I am not a relative, employee, attorney or counsel of any of the parties, nor am I a relative or employee of any of the parties' attorney or counsel connected with the action, nor am I financially interested in the action.

DATED this 19th day of July, 2023.


DEBRA R. KRICK
NOTARY PUBLIC
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