BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Purchased gas adjustment (PGA) true-up.

DOCKET NO. 20240003-GU FILED: October 9, 2024

PREHEARING STATEMENT OF PEOPLES GAS SYSTEM, INC.

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<u>A.</u> <u>APPEARANCES</u>:

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<u>B.</u> WITNESSES:

Witness	Subject Matter	Issue #	
Direct			
Matthew E.	Projected gas costs, therm sales, and	1-6	
Elliott	weighted average cost of gas ("WACOG");		
	final PGA true-up amount for January 2023-		
	December 2023; estimated PGA true-up		
	amount for January 2024-December 2024;		
	total true-up to be collected in 2025; and		
	levelized PGA cost recovery (cap) factor for		
	January 2025-December 2025		

<u>C.</u> <u>EXHIBITS:</u>

Witness	Proffered By	Exhibit #	Description	Issue #
Direct				
Matthew E.	PGS	MEE-1, filed May	Calculation of	1
Elliott		1, 2024	final true-up for	
			January 2023-	
			December 2023	
			(Schedule A-7)	
Matthew E.	PGS	MEE-2, filed	Calculation of	2-6
Elliott		August 1, 2024	estimated true-up	
			for January 2024-	
			December 2024;	

total true-up to be
collected in 2025;
calculation of
PGA factor for
January 2025-
December 2025
(Schedules E-1
through E-5)

D. STATEMENT OF BASIC POSITION

Peoples' Statement of Basic Position:

The Commission should determine that Peoples has properly calculated its final PGA true-up amount of \$2,061,348 over-recovery for the period January 2023 through December 2023; its actual/estimated PGA true-up amount of \$345,340 over-recovery for the period January 2024 through December 2024; and its levelized PGA (cap) factor of \$1.00135 per therm for the period January 2025 through December 2025.

E. STATEMENT OF ISSUES AND POSITIONS GENERIC PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT ISSUES

ISSUE 1:	What are the final purchased gas adjustment true-up amounts for the period January
	2023 through December 2023?
PGS:	An over-recovery of \$2,061,348. (Elliott)
ISSUE 2:	What are the appropriate purchased gas adjustment actual/estimated true-up amounts
	for the period January 2024 through December 2024?
PGS:	An over-recovery of \$345,340. (Elliott)
ISSUE 3:	What are the total purchased gas adjustment true-up amounts to be collected or
	refunded during the period January 2025 through December 2025?
PGS:	The amount to be refunded is \$2,406,687. (Elliott)

ISSUE 4: What are the levelized purchased gas cost recovery (cap) factors for the period January 2025 through December 2025?

PGS: \$1.00135 per therm (Elliott)

- **<u>ISSUE 5</u>**: What should the effective date of the new purchased gas adjustment cost recovery (cap) factors for billing purposes be?
- PGS: The cap factor should be effective beginning with the specified purchased gas cost recovery cycle and thereafter for the period January 2025 through December 2025. Billing cycles may start before January 1, 2025, and the last cycle may be read after December 31, 2025, so that each customer is billed for twelve months regardless of when the adjustment charge became effective. (Elliott)
- **ISSUE 6:** Should the Commission approve revised tariffs reflecting the new purchased gas adjustment cost recovery (cap) factors determined to be appropriate in this proceeding?
- <u>PGS</u>: Yes. The Commission should approve revised tariffs reflecting the new purchased gas adjustment cap factor determined to be appropriate in this proceeding. The Commission should direct staff to verify that the revised tariffs are consistent with the Commission's decision. (Elliott)

ISSUE 7: Should this docket be closed?

<u>PGS</u>: Yes. Docket No. 20240003-GU should be closed once the Commission's decisions on all of the issues in the docket have become final and the Commission has concluded that the docket has otherwise met the requirements for closure.

F. STIPULATED ISSUES

The company is not aware of any stipulated issues as of this date.

G. PENDING MOTIONS

The company is not aware of any pending motions as of this date.

H. PENDING CONFIDENTIALITY CLAIMS OR REQUESTS

The company has no pending confidentiality claims or requests at this time.

I. OBJECTIONS TO WITNESS QUALIFICATIONS AS AN EXPERT

The company has no objections to any witness's qualifications as an expert in this proceeding at this time.

J. COMPLIANCE WITH ORDER ESTABLISHING PROCEDURE

The company has complied with all requirements of the Order Establishing Procedure in this docket.

Dated this 9th day of October, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that true and correct copies of the foregoing Prehearing Statement have been furnished by electronic mail this 9th day of October 2024, to the following:

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