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Public Service Commission Division of Records and Reporting 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32301

RE: Docket No.: 960725-GU

Dear Madam/Sir:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced proceeding is the Petition of Natural Gas Clearinghouse for Leave to Intervene on behalf of Natural Gas Clearinghouse (NGC) and a Notice of Appearance together with 15 copies of each. Also enclosed is a diskette Double Sided High Density 135 TPI containing the above petition using the WordPerfect 5.1 version under the file name *FL960725.MLI*.

Please contact me at the above number if you have any questions.

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Enclosures

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BEFORE THE STATE OF FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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Unbundling of Natural Gas Services)	Docket No. 960725-GU
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PETITION OF NATURAL GAS CLEARINGHOUSE FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE

This Petition for Leave to Intervene in the above-referenced case (Petition) is filed by Natural Gas Clearinghouse (NGC) pursuant to Florida Public Service Commission (Commission) Rules of Practice and Procedures, § 25-22.039. NGC requests that this Petition be granted for the reasons set forth below:

I.

Communications and correspondence concerning this Motion should be directed to:

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Pursuant to Commission Rule, § 25-22.008 and as set forth in the attached *Notice of Appearance*, Barrett Johnson, an attorney licensed to practice law in Florida and practicing before various utility regulatory bodies, sponsors attorneys Esposito and Lawrence from the law firm of John, Hengerer & Esposito, each licensed to practice law in the District of Columbia and practicing before various utility regulatory bodies, as qualified Class A practioners permitted to practice law before the Commission.

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NGC is one of the leading independent nationwide marketers of natural gas. NGC currently purchases natural gas from virtually all of the major supply regions in the U.S. and Canada, and markets that gas throughout the U.S. wherever transportation is available.

NGC is a Colorado partnership. NGC's principal place of business is located at 13430

Northwest Freeway, Suite 1200, Houston, Texas 77040. NGC also has offices in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Chicago, Illinois; Boston, Massachusetts; Denver, Colorado; Tulsa,

Oklahoma; and Atlanta, Georgia. NGC is a subsidiary of NGC Corporation, which has subsidiaries involved in the gathering, processing, and marketing of natural gas, natural gas liquids and crude oil, as well as the marketing of electric power.

III.

On June 12, 1996, the Commission opened Docket No. 960725-GU, an investigation concerning the unbundling of natural gas service in Florida, and subsequently issued an *Order Establishing Procedure*, establishing a schedule for the investigation, workshop dates, and an tentative issues list. To date, initial workshops have been held as part of the Commission's investigation.

IV.

As a potential marketer of natural gas in Florida, NGC has an specific interest in the Commission's investigation and will be directly and substantially affected by the outcome of the instant proceeding. Moreover, the interests of NGC in this proceeding cannot be adequately represented or protected by any other party hereto. The participation of NGC in this case will not cause undue delay or prejudice any party. Under the circumstances, NGC

submits that good cause exists for the Commission to grant NGC leave to intervene and participate herein.

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WHEREFORE, NGC requests that the Florida Public Service Commission grant this Petition to Intervene and that NGC be made a party to this proceeding for all purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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It is hereby certified that this day the foregoing document has been served upon all parties of record on the official service list compiled by the Chief Clerk in this proceeding.

Dated: August 28, 1996

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Certificate of Service

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a copy hereof has been furnished to the following parties of record by U.S. Mail this 30th day of August, 1996.

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