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Ms. Blanca Bayo, Director Division of Records and Reporting Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

> South Florida Natural Gas Co.; Docket No. 990003-GU Re:

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of South Florida Natural Gas Co. are the following documents:

An original and 10 copies of the Petition for Approval of South Florida Natural Gas 1. Co.'s Purchased Gas Adjustment Factor; 11706-99

2. An original and 10 copies of the Direct Testimony of Al Kara; 11707-99 3. An originl and 10 copies of Exhibit AK-1.

Please acknowledge receipt of these documents by stamping the enclosed extra copy of this letter. Thank you for your assistance.

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Yours very truly,

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Norman H. Horton, Jr.



BEFORE THE

FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In Re: Purchased Gas True-Up

DOCKET NO. 990003-GU

PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF SOUTH FLORIDA NATURAL GAS CO.'S PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT FACTOR

South Florida Natural Gas Co. ("the Company"), pursuant to the requirements of this docket, petitions the Commission for approval of the Company's levelized purchased gas adjustment factor ("PGA") to be charged for gas consumption during the period January 1, 2000 to December 31, 2000. In support hereof, the Company states:

1. The exact name of the Company and the address of its principal business

office is:

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South Florida Natural Gas Co. Post Office Box 248 New Smyrna Beach, Florida 32170

2. The names and addresses of the persons authorized to receive notices and

communications in respect to this docket is:

Norman H. Horton, Jr. Messer, Caparello & Self, P. A. 215 S. Monroe St. Suite 701, First Florida Bank Building Post Office Box 1876 Tallahassee, Florida 32302-1876

3. Pursuant to the requirements of this docket, the Company has prefiled the

PGA true-up forms supplied by the Division of Electric and Gas for the April 1998 -

December 1998 period in a manner consistent with the Department's instructions.

DOCUMENT NUMBER-DATE

4. As indicated in the prefiled true-up forms, the Company experienced an overrecovery of \$128,748 for the April 1998 – December 1998 period. In the November 1998 hearings in this docket, an estimated overrecovery of \$101,778 for the April 1998 – December 1998 period was approved for calculation of the true-up factor for the January 1999 – December 1999. Therefore, a final true-up amount of \$26,970 (overrecovery) will be included in the current calculation of the January 2000 – December 2000 true-up factor.

5. For the period January 1999 to December 1999, the Company projects an overrecovery of \$115,297 resulting in a total overrecovery of \$142,267 to refund in the January 2000 - December 2000 period. The Company projects therm sales of 2,748,250 for the January 2000 – December 2000 period. Therefore, the cumulative true-up factor to be applied to gas bills for this period is 5.177 cents per them refund.

6. As indicated on the attached schedules E-1 through E-5, the Company projects total gas costs for the January 2000 – December 2000 period to be \$991,582. As stated previously, the Company projects therm sales of 2,748,250 resulting in a weighted average cost of gas (WACOG) inclusive of the purchased gas adjustment true-up of -5.177 cents per therm and the tax factor of 1.005030 cents per therm for a WACOG of 31.059 cents per therm for the twelve-month period.

WHEREFORE, South Florida Natural Gas petitions the Commission to approve the foregoing purchased gas cost recovery factors to be applied to customer bills for the period January 2000 – December 2000, and to billings thereafter until other purchased gas cost recovery factors are approved by the Commission

DATED this 28th day of September, 1999.

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Respectfully submitted,

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By g Horton, Jr.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that true and correct copies of South Florida Natural Gas Co.'s Petition for Approval of Purchased Gas Adjustment Factor in Docket No. 990003-GU have been served by hand delivery (*) and/or U. S. Mail this 28th day of September, 1999 upon the following:

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