

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Energy Conservation :  
Cost Recovery Clause :  
\_\_\_\_\_ :

DOCKET NO. 000002-EG

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PETITION OF PEOPLES GAS SYSTEM  
FOR APPROVAL OF  
CONSERVATION COST RECOVERY FACTORS

Peoples Gas System ("Peoples"), by its undersigned attorneys and pursuant to Rule 25-17.015, Florida Administrative Code, submits this petition for approval of its conservation cost recovery factors for the period January through December 2001, and in support thereof says:

- 1. The name and address of the Petitioner are:

Peoples Gas System  
P. O. Box 2562  
Tampa, Florida 33601-2562

- 2. The persons to whom notices, orders, and pleadings in this docket should be addressed are:

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- 3. The conservation cost recovery factors for which approval is sought were calculated in accordance with the methodology which has been previously approved by the Commission in this docket. The factors are designed to recover the projected conservation program expenses of Peoples for the billing periods of January through December 2001, adjusted for the estimated true-up for the period January through December 2000, as well as interest calculated in accordance with the methodology established by the Commission. The calculation of the factors and the supporting

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documentation are contained in Exhibits \_\_\_\_ (JBC-3), covering Peoples' divisions other than the West Florida Region, and \_\_\_\_ (JBC-4), covering Peoples' West Florida Region, and in the direct testimony of PGS witness J. Brent Caldwell, which testimony and exhibits are being filed concurrently with this petition.

4. For Peoples' divisions other than the West Florida Region, Peoples projects total conservation program expenses of \$9,549,552 for the period January through December 2001. The estimated true-up for these divisions is an overrecovery of \$1,021,675. After decreasing the projected conservation expenses by the amount of this overrecovery, \$8,527,877 remains to be recovered during the 2001 calendar year. When this expense is allocated to the affected rate classes pursuant to the methodology approved by the Commission, and expanded for taxes, the recovery factors for the period January - December 2001 required to recover such expense are as follows:

| <u>Rate Class</u>       | <u>ECCR Factor (per therm)</u> |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Residential             | \$0.06131                      |
| Small Commercial        | \$0.04952                      |
| Commercial              | \$0.02230                      |
| Commercial Large Vol. 1 | \$0.01820                      |
| Commercial Large Vol. 2 | \$0.01330                      |
| Street Lighting         | \$0.00770                      |
| NGVSS                   | \$0.00603                      |

5. For Peoples' West Florida Region, Peoples projects total conservation program expenses of \$1,536,400 for the period January through December 2001. The estimated true-up for the West Florida Region is an underrecovery of \$332,207. After increasing the projected conservation expenses by the amount of this underrecovery, \$1,868,607 remains to be recovered during the January - December 2001 period. When this expense is allocated to the affected rate classes pursuant to the methodology approved by the Commission, and expanded for taxes, the

recovery factors for the period January - December 2001 required to recover such expense are as follows:

| <u>Rate Class</u>       | <u>ECCR Factor (per therm)</u> |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Residential             | \$0.09511                      |
| Commercial              | \$0.03050                      |
| Commercial Large Vol. 1 | \$0.02250                      |
| Industrial              | \$0.02231                      |

WHEREFORE, based on the foregoing, Peoples Gas System respectfully requests that the Commission grant this petition and approve:

A. the conservation adjustment factors for the first billing cycle for January 2001 through the last billing cycle for December 2001 set forth in paragraph 4 of this petition to be applied in Peoples' divisions other than the West Florida Region; and

B. the conservation adjustment factors for the first billing cycle for January 2001 through the last billing cycle for December 2001 set forth in paragraph 5 of this petition to be applied in Peoples' West Florida Region.

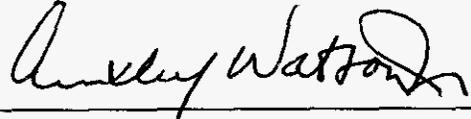
Respectfully submitted,



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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Petition of Peoples Gas System, the Direct Testimony of J. Brent Caldwell, and Peoples' Exhibits \_\_\_\_ (JBC-3) and \_\_\_\_ (JBC-4), have been furnished this 26th day of September, 2000, by regular U.S. Mail, to all known parties of record in this docket.

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Ansley Watson, Jr.

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**Re: Docket No. 000002-EG -- Energy Conservation Cost Recovery Clause**

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing with the Commission in the above docket on behalf of Peoples Gas System ("Peoples"), please find the original and 15 copies of the following:

- ◆ Peoples' Petition for Approval of Conservation Cost Recovery Factors (to be applied during the period January - December 2001);
- ◆ Direct Testimony of J. Brent Caldwell on behalf of Peoples, to which are attached:
  - ◆ Exhibit \_\_\_\_ (JBC-3), consisting of Schedules C-1 through C-5 for Peoples' divisions other than the West Florida Region; and
  - ◆ Exhibit \_\_\_\_ (JBC-4), consisting of Schedules C-1 through C-5 for Peoples' West Florida Region.

APP \_\_\_\_\_  
CAF \_\_\_\_\_ The enclosed testimony and exhibits will be offered by Peoples at the hearing in  
CMP \_\_\_\_\_ this docket scheduled to commence on November 22, 2000.  
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ECR \_\_\_\_\_ Please acknowledge your receipt and the date of filing of the enclosures on the  
LEG 1 duplicate copy of this letter and return the same to the undersigned in the enclosed  
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Blanca S. Bayo, Director  
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Thank you for your usual assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ansley Watson, Jr." in a cursive style.

ANSLEY WATSON, JR.

AWjr/a  
Enclosures

cc: J. Brent Caldwell  
All Parties of Record