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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

Re: Sebring Gas System, Inc.; Docket No. 000003-GU

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of Sebring Gas System, Inc. in this docket are a original and 10 copies of Sebring Gas System, Inc.'s Prehearing Statement. Also enclosed is a 3 ½" diskette with the document on it.

Please acknowledge receipt of these documents by stamping the enclosed extra copy of this letter.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Norman H. Horton, Jr.

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cc: Mr. Jerry Melendy

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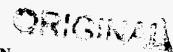
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#### BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Purchased Gas Cost Recovery )

Docket No. 000003-GU Filed: October 25, 2000

# SEBRING GAS SYSTEM, INC.'S PRHEARING STATEMENT

Sebring Gas System, Inc. ("Sebring") hereby submits its prehearing statement to be taken up at the hearing now scheduled to begin on November 20, 2000 in this docket.

### A. WITNESSES

Witness

Subject Matter

<u>Issues</u>

Jerry Melendy

Purchased gas cost recovery projections,

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true-ups, and estimate of therm sales

### **B. EXHIBITS**

Exhibit Number

Witness

Description

Melendy

Schedules E-1, E-1/R, E-2, E-3, E-4,

and E-5

#### C. BASIC POSITION

Sebring has properly projected its true-up amounts and projected gas costs. Its costs and projections are reasonable and its purchased gas cost recovery factors should be approved by the Commission.

### **D. STATEMENT OF ISSUES AND POSITIONS**

Issue 1:

What is the appropriate final purchased gas adjustment true-up amount

for the period January, 1999 through December, 1999?

Sebring's Position:

\$3,428 (underrecovery)

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<u>Issue 2</u>: What is the estimated purchased gas adjustment true-up amount for the period January, 2000 through December, 2000?

Sebinrg's Position: \$20,338 (underrecovery)

<u>Issue 3</u>: What is the total purchased gas adjustment true-up amount to be refunded or collected in the January, 2001 through December, 2001 period?

Sebring's Position: \$23,766 (underrecovery)

Issue 4: What is the appropriate levelized purchased gas cost recovery (cap) factor to be charged during the period January, 2001 through December, 2001?

Sebring's Position: 70.663 cents

<u>Issue 5</u>: What should be the effective date of the new purchased gas adjustment charge for billing purposes?

Sebring's Position: The factor should be effective for all meter readings on or after January, 2001, beginning with the first or applicable billing cycle for the period January, 2001 through December, 2001.

Dated this 25th day of October, 2000.

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#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that true and correct copies of Sebring Gas System, Inc.'s Prehearing Statement in Docket No. 000003-GU have been served by hand delivery (\*) and/or U. S. Mail this 25th day of October, 2000 upon the following:

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