BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Natural gas conservation cost recovery.

DOCKET NO. 030004-GU
ORDER NO. PSC-03-1374-FOF-GU
ISSUED: December 4, 2003

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

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FINAL ORDER APPROVING ENERGY CONSERVATION COST RECOVERY AMOUNTS AND ESTABLISHING ENERGY CONSERVATION COST RECOVERY FACTORS FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 2004 THROUGH DECEMBER 2004

I. <u>Case Background</u>

As part of this Commission's ongoing gas conservation recovery proceedings, a hearing was held on November 12, 2003, in this docket. Prior to the hearing, the parties reached agreement on all issues. Accordingly, all issues presented were stipulated. We accept and approve the following stipulations as reasonable.

II. Generic Conservation Cost Recovery Issues

A. Final End-of-Period True-Up Amounts for the period January 2002 through December 2002

We approve as reasonable the following stipulation for the final end-of-period true-up amounts for the period January 2002 through December 2002:

CGC:	\$284,	674	Over	Recovery
CUC:	\$149,	226	Under	Recovery
FPUC:	\$107,	599	Under	Recovery
PGS:	\$380,	930	Under	Recovery
PGWF:	\$530,	074	Under	Recovery
SJNG:	\$	232	Under	Recovery

B. Conservation Cost Recovery Factors for the period January 2004 through December 2004

We approve as reasonable the following stipulation as to the appropriate energy conservation cost recovery factors for the period January 2004 through December 2004:

CGC:	<u>Rate Class</u>	ECCR FACTOR		
	Residential (RS, ED & GL)	7.669 cents/therm		
	Commercial (CS, ED & SCTS)	2.222 cents/therm		
	Commercial Lge Vol (LCS & CTS)	1.469 cents/therm		
	Industrial (IP & ITS)	1.340 cents/therm		

CUC:	Rate Class	ECCR Factor
	GS1/TS-1A	12.762 cents/therm
	GS1/TS-1B	12.762 cents/therm
	GS1/TS-1C	12.762 cents/therm
	GS2/TS-2	6.704 cents/therm
	GS3/TS-3	4.020 cents/therm
-	GS4/TS-4	3.155 cents/therm
	GS5/TS-5	2.807 cents/therm
•	GS6/TS-6	2.134 cents/therm
	GS7/TS-7	1.333 cents/therm
	GS8/TS-8	1.103 cents/therm
	GS9/TS-9	.967 cents/therm
FPUC:	<u>Rate Class</u>	ECCR Factor
1100.	Residential	8.850 cents/therm
	Commercial Small	3.248 cents/therm
	Commercial Lge Vol	2.166 cents/therm
	Large Vol. Transport	2.166 cents/therm
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PGS:	Rate Class	ECCR Factor
	RS	6.961 cents/therm
	SGS	6.203 cents/therm
	GS-1	2.286 cents/therm
	GS-2	1.859 cents/therm
	GS-3	1.564 cents/therm
	GS-4	1.411 cents/therm
	GS-5	.799 cents/therm
	NGVS	1.185 cents/therm
	CSLS	.998 cents/therm
PGWF:	Rate Class	ECCR Factor
	RS	14.384 cents/therm
	SGS	12.685 cents/therm
	GS-1	5.425 cents/therm
	GS-2	4.296 cents/therm
	GS-3	3.596 cents/therm
	GS-4	3.245 cents/therm
	GS-5	1.806 cents/therm
	CSLS/NGVS	2.292 cents/therm

SJNG: Rate Class ECCR Factor

Residential 1.803 cents/therm Commercial 1.582 cents/therm Comm. Lge Vol. .722 cents/therm

C. Effective Date of Cost Recovery Factors for Billing Purposes

We approve as reasonable, the following stipulation for the effective date of the cost recovery factors for billing purposes:

The factors shall be effective beginning with the specified conservation cost recovery cycle and thereafter for the period January 2004, through December 2004. Billing cycles may start before January 1, 2004, and the last cycle may be read after December 31, 2004, so that each customer is billed for twelve months regardless of when the adjustment factor became effective.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the stipulations, rulings, and findings set forth in the body of this Order are hereby approved. It is further

ORDERED that each utility that was a party to this docket shall abide by the stipulations, rulings, and findings herein which are applicable to it. It is further

ORDERED that the utilities named herein are authorized to collect the natural gas conservation cost recovery amounts and use the factors approved herein for the period beginning with the specified conservation cost recovery cycle and thereafter for the period January 1, 2004, through December 31, 2004. Billing cycles may start before January 1, 2004, and the last cycle may read after December 31, 2004, so that each customer is billed for twelve months regardless of when the adjustments factor became effective.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this 4th Day of December, 2003.

BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Director Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services

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NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.569(1), Florida Statutes, to notify parties of any administrative hearing or judicial review of Commission orders that is available under Sections 120.57 or 120.68, Florida Statutes, as well as the procedures and time limits that apply. This notice should not be construed to mean all requests for an administrative hearing or judicial review will be granted or result in the relief sought.

Any party adversely affected by the Commission's final action in this matter may request: 1) reconsideration of the decision by filing a motion for reconsideration with the Director, Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, within fifteen (15) days of the issuance of this order in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code; or 2) judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility or the First District Court of Appeal in the case of a water and/or wastewater utility by filing a notice of appeal Director, Division of the Commission Clerk Administrative Services and filing a copy of the notice of appeal and the filing fee with the appropriate court. This filing must be completed within thirty (30) days after the issuance of this order, pursuant to Rule 9.110, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure. notice of appeal must be in the form specified in Rule 9.900(a), Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.