## **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

In re: Petition of Florida Public Utilities Company To Resolve Territorial Dispute With Peoples Gas System Docket No. 040278-GU Filed: December 3, 2004

## FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMPANY'S REQUEST FOR RELIEF FROM PROCEDURAL DEADLINES

Florida Public Utilities Company ("FPUC"), by and through its undersigned counsel, respectfully submits this request to the Prehearing Officer to relieve it from the obligation to comply with the procedural deadlines set forth in Order Nos. PSC-04-1170-PCO-GU and PSC-04-0716-PCO-GU. In support thereof, FPUC states:

1. It is FPUC's understanding that today Peoples Gas System ("Peoples") will file a Motion to be Relieved from Requirements Established by Order Establishing Procedure ("Peoples' Motion"). Peoples' Motion will state that it does not contest FPUC's right to serve the area in dispute set forth in FPUC's Petition to Resolve a Territorial Dispute filed March 30, 2004, and that Peoples does not intend to participate further in this docket. In addition, Peoples' Motion will state that it does not intend to file testimony or exhibits and in this docket, and requests that Peoples be relieved from compliance with Order No. PSC-04-0716-PCO-GU.

2. In light of Peoples' Motion, FPUC requests relief from the obligation to comply with the procedural deadlines, including the deadline for filing direct testimony, set forth in Order Nos. PSC-04-1170-PCO-GU and PSC-04-0716-PCO-GU.

WHEREFORE, FPUC requests that the Prehearing Officer enter an order relieving FPUC from the obligation to comply with the procedural deadlines set forth in Order Nos. PSC-04-1170-PCO-GU and PSC-04-0716-PCO-GU.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Request for Relief from Procedural Deadlines has been provided on this 3rd day of December 2004, by electronic mail and U.S. Mail to:

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