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ATTN: Ann Cole, Comm. Clerk

FROM: Juanita Mouring Juouita Mouring

RE: Rate Increase Natural Gas - St. Joe Natural Gas Co. Docket No. 070592-GU

As a customer of St. Joe Natural Gas Co., I am concerned about the letter I received informing me of the increase to my monthly bill. I understand that this motion is before the FPSC Board and a meeting took place on May 6, 2008. At that meeting there was a proposed date of June 17,2008 to determine the final rate for St. Joe Natural Gas Co. customers.

I understand that there has been a big reduction in the profit realized by St. Joe Natural Gas Co. because they no longer have the larger accounts of St. Joe Paper Company and Arizona Chemical has reduced the amount of gas they use. Also, there may be other accounts using lesser amounts of natural gas.. I agree that every company wishes to make a fair rate of return of their investment. However, as an individual that has to live on a fixed income that there is a limit of what we can pay. If anyone person goes into business for theirself, it is a tossup whether there will be a profit.

We as individuals have to be satisfied with whatever the market or the banks are willing to pay us if we happen to be blessed enough to have a little money to supplement our fixed income. Why is it necessay to have the amount proposed of \$624,166.00 absorbed by individuals to make up the loss that occurred when the businesses no longer were using their former amount of gas?

As the FPSC board, I am watching and listening to see if there is anything that we can look to be done to aleviate some of this increase to our natural gas cost.

Sincerely,

COMMISSIONERS: MATTHEW M. CARTER II, CHAIRMAN LISA POLAK EDGAR KATRINA J. MCMURRIAN NANCY ARGENZIANO NATHAN A. SKOP



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Ms. Sybil McIntosh 5207 Maddox Road Tallahassee, Florida 32303

Re: Your correspondence regarding proposed rate increase by St. Joe Natural Gas Company, Inc., Docket No. 070592-GU

Dear Ms. McIntosh:

Thank you for your correspondence dated May 23, 2008 regarding the rate increase requested by St. Joe Natural Gas Company, Inc. (St. Joe) Your letter will be placed in the correspondence side of the docket file in this case, where your concerns will be available for review by the Commissioners, Commission staff, and anyone interested in the case.

The Commission staff will be filing its recommendation on St. Joe's petition on June 5, 2008 and is scheduled to be voted on by the Commission at its June 17, 2008 agenda conference. If you would like to receive a copy of the staff recommendation, you can write the Commission at the address below, or call me at (850) 413-6420. I also can be reached by e-mail at jslemkew@psc.state.fl.us.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

John Slencking

John Slemkewicz, Supervisor Surveillance Section

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Re: Docket No. 070592-GU

Dear Ms. Cole:

This letter shall serve as my official objection to the rate increase requested by St. Joe Natural Gas Co., Inc.

Their reasons are declining clients and declining usage.

The reason I object is because they are seeking to punish us for conserving. If we use less, then we should pay less. They should be reducing their prices instead of increasing.

I urge you to deny their request.

Sincerely,

Sybil McIntosh

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Application for a rate increase by St. Joe Natural Gas Company, Inc.

DOCKET NO. 070592 - GU

Donald Thiel PO BOX 645 Address Port Saint Joe, FL 32457

If you want to let the Public Service Commission know how you feel about this case, you may fill out this comment form and return it by mail, or send a fax to 1-800-511-0809. Correspondence will be placed in the file of this docket.

CONSUMER COMMENTS

The proposed rate increase with respect to the Residential Service Customer Charge does not appear to be justified. It is true that general and administrative costs for all business are on the rise. These increases in costs probably justify some increase in the Customer Charge, but not to the extent that is proposed. As an RS-2 Customer, I will now be charged <u>more than double</u> the amount for the Customer Charge. I can't imagine that St. Joe Natural Gas Company 's costs have doubled for this part of the service. Also, the addition of 2 new classes for Residential Service does not make sense to me. As a Residential Customer, I do not see any difference in the costs associated with servicing a <u>residential</u> account on the basis of how much gas is used. The equipment will remain the same, and methods and procedures required for billing should be no different from RS-1 through RS-3.

It is clear that energy costs have risen and that the cost per unit paid by St. Joe Natural Gas Company has gone up. It would be appropriate to pass on this increased cost proportionally to the end consumer. However, if conservation is a goal, then parts of this application are not consistent with that goal. It would make more sense to further increase per-unit charges because consumers can monitor and control this cost to some extent. A reasonable alternative would be to tier the Gas Delivery Charge upward for residential service as usage increases. Consumers would only have limited control over the Customer Charge as proposed other than to convert to a different form of energy and dramatically lower usage. I thank you for your consideration of these issues.

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