#### BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

### **NOTICE OF CUSTOMER SERVICE HEARINGS**

TO

PEOPLES GAS SYSTEM
FLORIDA INDUSTRIAL GAS USERS
OFFICE OF PUBLIC COUNSEL
TECO ENERGY, INC.
US GYPSUM COMPANY
CITY OF TAMPA

AND

### ALL OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS

**DOCKET NO. 080318-GU** 

# PETITION FOR RATE INCREASE BY PEOPLES GAS SYSTEM

ISSUED: October 6, 2008

NOTICE is hereby given that the Florida Public Service Commission will hold customer service hearings in the above docket on the rates and charges of Peoples Gas System (Peoples). The hearings will commence at the times and locations shown below and will continue until all witnesses have been heard. CUSTOMERS WHO WISH TO PRESENT TESTIMONY ARE URGED TO APPEAR PROMPTLY AT EACH SCHEDULED HEARING TIME SINCE THE HEARING MAY BE ADJOURNED EARLY IF NO WITNESSES ARE PRESENT TO TESTIFY.

Friday, November 7, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. City Commission Meeting Room 2nd Floor 9 Harrison Avenue Panama City, Florida Friday, November 14, 2008 at 10:00 a.m.
Duval County School Board Meeting Room
1st Floor
1701 Prudential Drive
Jacksonville, Florida

## **PURPOSE AND PROCEDURE**

The purpose of these customer service hearings is to take testimony from the public on the quality and adequacy of Peoples' service and other matters related to Peoples' petition for a rate increase. The procedure at these hearings shall be as follows: The Company will present a

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brief summary of its case and then members of the public may present testimony. Members of the public who wish to present testimony are urged to appear promptly at each scheduled hearing time since the hearing may be adjourned early if no witnesses are present to testify. All witnesses shall be subject to cross examination at the conclusion of their testimony.

Any person requiring some accommodation at this hearing because of a physical impairment should call the Office of Commission Clerk at (850) 413-6770, at least 48 hours prior to the hearing. Any person who is hearing or speech impaired should contact the Florida Public Service Commission by using the Florida Relay Service, which can be reached at 1-800-955-8771 (TDD).

# **ADDITIONAL NOTICE**

To ensure that the public is made aware of the public hearings scheduled in this matter, the Peoples Gas System, prior to the hearings scheduled herein, is directed to enclose in all customers' bills, or in a separate mailing to all customers, a notice setting forth fully the time and place of these hearings and a statement that "persons who wish to present testimony are urged to appear at the beginning of the hearing since the hearing may be adjourned early if no witnesses are present to testify." The notice shall be completed at least ten (10) days before the first scheduled hearing. Peoples is also directed to publish in a newspaper of general circulation in the area in which a hearing is to be held, a display advertisement stating the time, date, location and purpose of the hearing and a statement that "persons who wish to present testimony are urged to appear at the beginning of the hearing since the hearing may be adjourned early if no witnesses are present to testify." The advertisements shall be published at least seven (7) days and not more than twenty (20) days before each service hearing.

### **EMERGENCY CANCELLATION OF SERVICE HEARINGS**

If a named storm or other disaster requires cancellation of the hearings, Commission staff will attempt to give timely direct notice to parties. Notice of cancellation of the hearing will also be provided on the Commission's website (<a href="http://www.psc.state.fl.us/">http://www.psc.state.fl.us/</a>) under the Hot Topics link found on the home page. Cancellation can also be confirmed by calling the Office of the General Counsel at (850) 413-6199.

### **JURISDICTION**

Jurisdiction over this utility is vested in the Commission by Chapter 366, Florida Statutes; authority to approve any changes in rates is governed by Section 366.06(2), and

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366.071, Florida Statues. The provisions of Chapters 25-6 and 25-9, Florida Administrative Code, are also applicable.

By DIRECTION of the Florida Public Service Commission this 6th day of October, 2008.

ANN COLE Commission Clerk

Bv:

Hong Wang, Supervisor

Case Management Review Section

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