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VIA E-PORTAL

Mr. Adam Teitzman Commission Clerk Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re: Docket No. 20190004-GU - Natural Gas Conservation Cost Recovery

Dear Mr. Teitzman:

Enclosed for electronic filing, please find Florida City Gas's Prehearing Statement in the abovereferenced docket.

Thank you for your assistance with this filing. As always, please don't hesitate to let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Natural Gas Conservation Cost Recovery

Docket No. 20190004-GU

Filed: October 8, 2019

FLORIDA CITY GAS PREHEARING STATEMENT

Florida City Gas ("FCG" or "the Company") hereby submits this Prehearing Statement pursuant to Order Establishing Procedure, Order No. PSC-2019-0083-PCO-GU, as amended by Order No. PSC-2019-0083A-PCO-GU, and states as follows:

1. <u>KNOWN WITNESSES</u>

FCG intends to offer the following testimonies sponsored by FCG witness Miguel

Bustos into the evidentiary record in this proceeding:

Witness	Subject Matter	Issue No.
Direct Testimony of Miguel	Supports FCG's final Natural Gas	1
Bustos, submitted on April 30,	Conservation Cost Recovery ("NGCCR")	
2019	true-up amount related to the twelve-month	
	period ended December 31, 2018	
Direct Testimony of Miguel	Presents the Actual/Estimated True-Up	2-8
Bustos, submitted August 9,	amount (based on actual data for six	
2019	months and projected data for six months)	
	for the current period January 2019 through	
	December 2019; presents FCG's projection	
	of total NGCCR costs for the period	
	January 2020 through December 2020; and	
	presents the development of NGCCR	
	Factors to be applied for service to be	
	rendered during the period of January 1,	
	2020 through December 31, 2020	

2. <u>KNOWN EXHIBITS</u>

FCG intends to offer the following exhibits sponsored by FCG witness Miguel Bustos into the evidentiary record in this proceeding:

Witness	Proffered By	Exhibit No.	Description
Miguel Bustos	FCG	MB-1	Calculation of FCG's final NGCCR true-
			up amount related to the twelve-month
			period ended December 31, 2018
Miguel Bustos	el Bustos FCG MB-2		Commission prescribed forms supporting
			calculation of FCG's Actual/Estimated
			True-Up amount for the current period
			January 2019 through December 2019
			and FCG's proposed 2020 NGCCR
			Factors

In addition to the above pre-filed exhibits, FCG reserves the right to utilize any exhibit introduced by any other party. FCG additionally reserves the right to introduce any additional exhibit necessary for cross-examination or impeachment at the final hearing.

3. <u>BASIC POSITION</u>

FCG has appropriately calculated its true-up amounts and NGCCR Factors as shown in the Company's positions on Issue Nos. 1 through 7 below. The Company's proposed NGCCR Factors, final true-up amount for 2018, and Actual/Estimated True-Up amount for 2019 are consistent with the Commission's methodology for calculating the net true-up and recovery factors for the gas conservation programs and, therefore, should be approved.

4. <u>STATEMENT OF ISSUES AND POSITIONS</u>

FCG's statement of issues and positions in this proceeding are as follows:

Issue No. 1: What are the final conservation cost recovery adjustment true-up amounts for the period January 2018 through December 2018?

Florida City Gas: The final net true-up amount (including interest, adjustments, and the estimated under-recovery included in the 2019 NGCCR Factor) for the period

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January 2018 through December 2018 is an under-recovery of \$371,437. See FCG Exhibit MB-1. (*FCG witness Bustos*)

- Issue No. 2: What are the appropriate conservation adjustment actual/estimated true-up amounts for the period January 2019 through December 2019?
 - **Florida City Gas**: The Actual/Estimated True-Up (based on actual data for six months and projected data for six months) for the current period January 2019 through December 2019 is an over-recovery of \$217,026. *See* FCG Exhibit MB-2, Schedule C-3, page 4, line 8. The interest on this over-recovery is \$2,841. *See* FCG Exhibit MB-2, Schedule C-3, page 5, line 10. (*FCG witness Bustos*)
- Issue No. 3: What are the appropriate total conservation adjustment true-up amounts to be collected/refunded from January 2020 through December 2020?

Florida City Gas: The total net true-up (inclusive of the final true-up for 2018, the Actual/Estimated True-Up for 2019, and interest) to be collected from January 2020 through December 2020 is an under-recovery of \$151,570. *See* FCG Exhibit MB-2, Schedule C-3, page 4, line 12. (*FCG witness Bustos*)

Issue No. 4: What are the total conservation cost recovery amounts, net of the true-up amount, to be collected during the period January 2020 through December 2020?

Florida City Gas: Applying the total net true-up results in a total of \$5,530,433 of energy conservation program costs to be collected during the period January 2020 through December 2020. *See* FCG Exhibit MB-2, Schedule C-1. (*FCG witness Bustos*)

Issue No. 5: What are the conservation cost recovery factors for the period January 2020 through December 2020?

Florida City Gas: The appropriate factors are:

Rate Class	CCR Factor (\$/per therm)
RS-1	\$0.25062
RS-100	\$0.13092
RS-600	\$0.08309
GS-1	\$0.05075
GS-6K	\$0.03725
GS-25K	\$0.03646
Gas Lights	\$0.05891
GS-120K	\$0.02379

See FCG Exhibit MB-2, Schedule C-1. (FCG witness Bustos)

<u>Issue No. 6</u>: Should the Commission approve revised tariffs reflecting the natural gas conservation cost recovery amounts and establishing natural gas conservation cost recovery factors determined to be appropriate in this proceeding?

Florida City Gas: Yes. The Commission should approve revised tariffs reflecting the new energy conservation cost recovery charges determined to be appropriate in this proceeding. The Commission should direct staff to verify that the revised tariffs are consistent with the Commission's decision. (*FCG witness Bustos*)

<u>Issue No. 7</u>: What should be the effective date of the new conservation cost recovery factors for billing purposes?

Florida City Gas: The new conservation cost recovery factors should be effective for all meter readings on or after January 1, 2020 and should apply to bills rendered for meter readings taken between January 1, 2020 and December 31, 2020. (*FCG witness Bustos*)

Issue No. 8: Should this docket be closed?

Florida City Gas: No. While a separate docket number is assigned each year for administrative convenience, this is a continuing docket and should remain open. (*FCG witness Bustos*)

5. <u>STIPULATED ISSUES</u>

FCG is not a party to any stipulations at this time. However, FCG remains willing to work with all parties to resolve any outstanding issues, and believes it should be possible to reach a stipulation on each of the above-listed issues as they relate to FCG.

6. **PENDING MOTIONS**

FCG is not aware of any motions currently pending before the Commission for disposition.

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7. <u>REQUESTS/CLAIMS FOR CONFIDENTIALITY</u>

FCG has no pending requests or claims for confidentiality.

8. <u>OBJECTIONS TO WITNESS QUALIFICATIONS</u>

FCG has no objections to the qualifications of any witness, and further states that it is not aware of any objections or challenges to the qualifications of any FCG witness.

9. <u>REQUEST FOR SEQUESTRATION OF WITNESSES</u>

FCG has no pending requests for sequestration of any witness, and further states that it is not aware of any such request related to any FCG witness.

10. <u>COMPLIANCE WITH ORDER ESTABLISHING PROCEDURE</u>

FCG states that it believes it is in full compliance with the Commission's Order Establishing Procedure.

Respectfully submitted this 8th day of October, 2019.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished by

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