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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition for Rate Increase by Peoples Gas System, Inc.	DOCKET NO. 20230023-GU
Petition for approval of 2022 depreciation study, by Peoples Gas System,	DOCKET NO. 20220219-GU
Petition for approval of depreciation rate and subaccount for renewable natural gas facilities	DOCKET NO. 20220212-GU
leased to others, by Peoples Gas System.	FILED: August 14, 2023

CITIZENS' MOTION TO PROVIDE A TIME CERTAIN FOR OPC WITNESS

The Citizens of the State of Florida, through the Office of Public Counsel (OPC or Citizens), file this Motion to allow OPC Witness David J. Garrett to testify at a time certain during the August 29 through September 1, 2023 hearing, excluding August 31. In support, the Citizens state as follows:

- 1) This matter is currently set for hearing on August 29 through September 1, 2023.
- OPC is planning on calling two experts witnesses to testify on OPC's behalf, David Garrett and Lane Kollen.
- 3) The testimony of both witnesses is essential to the Citizens' case.
- 4) Mr. Garrett, who resides in the State of Oklahoma, provides testimony on cost of capital and depreciation in multiple jurisdictions.
- 5) Mr. Garrett is scheduled to testify in another jurisdiction whose hearing is scheduled for the entire month of August. In that jurisdiction, testimony is grouped by issue. Even though that jurisdiction asked the cost of capital witnesses for their preference on dates and Mr. Garrett made sure to indicate that he was unavailable during this case's hearing dates, the other jurisdiction set the cost of capital witnesses for a date-certain on August 31, 2023.
- 6) OPC requests that Mr. Garrett be allowed to testify in-person at a time certain during the August 29 through September 1, 2023 hearing excluding August 31, 2023, should counsel for Peoples Gas System (PGS), Staff, or Commissioners have questions for Mr. Garrett. OPC also request that Mr. Garrett be scheduled so he has sufficient time to travel to and from the hearing in the other jurisdiction.

7) OPC has contacted counsel for PGS, the Florida Industrial Power Users Group (FIPUG), and none of the parties object to this motion.

WHEREFORE, the Office of Public Counsel, on behalf of the customers of People Gas System, Inc., respectfully requests the granting of this Motion to allow OPC Witness David J. Garrett to testify at a time certain during the August 29 through September 1, 2023 hearing, excluding August 31.

Respectfully Submitted,

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