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### **VIA: ELECTRONIC FILING**

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

Re: Docket No. 20250003-GU; Purchased Gas Adjustment true-up

Dear Mr. Teitzman:

Attached for filing in the above docket is Peoples Gas System, Inc.'s Testimony of Evette Moreno.

Thank you for your assistance in connection with this matter.

Sincerely,

Virginia L. Ponder

VLP/dh Attachment

cc: All Parties of Record (w/attachment)



# BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

DOCKET NO. 20250003-GU
PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT (PGA)
BY PEOPLES GAS SYSTEM, INC.

TESTIMONY AND EXHIBIT

OF

EVETTE MORENO

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## PREPARED DIRECT TESTIMONY

OF

#### EVETTE MORENO

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Please state your name, business address, by whom you Q. are employed, and in what capacity?

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My name is Evette Moreno. My business address Α. 3600 Midtown Drive, Tampa, FL 33607. I am employed by Peoples Gas System, Inc. ("Peoples" or the "company") as a Director Gas Supply & Trading.

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Q. Please describe your educational and employment background.

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I graduated from the American Intercontinental University in 2005 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Business Administration with a concentration in Accounting and Finance. I also graduated from the Florida Institute of 2022 with Master of Business Technology in а Administration degree. My work experience includes thirty years of gas utility experience. My utility work has included various positions in Gas Supply & Trading and Transportation Services.

Q. What is the purpose of your testimony in this docket?

A. The purpose of my testimony is to address (1) how the company will obtain its gas supplies during the projected period, and (2) the estimates and adjustments used to determine the amount of gas to be purchased from Peoples' available sources during the projected period.

Q. Please describe how Peoples will obtain its gas supplies during the projected period of January 2026 through December 2026.

A. Natural gas delivered through Peoples' distribution system is received through three interstate pipelines and one intrastate pipeline. Gas is delivered through Florida Gas Transmission Company ("FGT"), Southern Natural Gas Company ("SONAT"), Gulfstream Natural Gas System ("Gulfstream"), and SeaCoast Gas Transmission ("SeaCoast"). Receiving gas supply through multiple upstream pipelines provides the company with valuable flexibility and reliability to serve customers.

Q. In general, how does Peoples determine its sources of supply?

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Peoples evaluates, selects, and utilizes of sources natural gas supply based on its "best value" gas acquisition strategy. For a source of supply to be identified as "best value," it must offer the best price, reliability of combination of supply, flexibility. This is consistent with Peoples' obligation as a public utility to provide safe, adequate, efficient service to our customers. Through competitive bidding process, Peoples has a portfolio of supply sources from numerous third parties that reflect balance between cost, reliability, and operational flexibility

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Q. Could Peoples purchase all third-party supplies in advance for a long term at the lowest available fixed price to provide increased stability to its cost of gas?

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A. No. Peoples' quantity requirements for system supply gas vary significantly according to year, season, month, and day. The variability in the demand for gas on Peoples' system is driven by the requirements of its customers. As a result, the actual quantity of gas taken out of Peoples' system by transport customers varies. Since significant portions of the total transportation volumes

are received by Peoples at a uniform daily rate, Peoples increases or decreases the volumes purchased for its own system supply to maintain a daily balance between receipts and deliveries of gas. Therefore, Peoples must buy a portion of its total system requirements under swing contract arrangements and meet variations in delivered volumes by relying on swing gas, peaking gas, pipeline balancing volumes, and pipeline no notice service at the prevailing rates for such services.

Q. What has contributed to the stable price of natural gas in 2025 and the higher price projected for 2026 compared to 2025?

A. Strong domestic storage injections and lower domestic natural gas production is the primary factor contributing to the stable natural gas prices in 2025. Higher natural gas prices are expected in 2026 because of the draw down of domestic storage inventories throughout 2025 and new demand from liquefied natural gas export projects.

Q. Please summarize your testimony.

A. My testimony addresses how the company will obtain its gas supplies during the projected period, the estimates

and adjustments used to determine the amount of gas to be purchased from Peoples' available sources during the projected period, and what is driving higher natural gas prices in 2026.

Q. Does this conclude your testimony?

A. Yes, it does.