

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition for approval to implement a temporary storm cost recovery surcharge, by St. Joe Natural Gas Company.

DOCKET NO. 20200039-GU
ORDER NO. PSC-2021-0122-PCO-GU
ISSUED: April 2, 2021

ORDER ABATING PROCEEDING

BY THE COMMISSION:

On January 24, 2020, pursuant to Sections 366.041 and 366.06, Florida Statutes, and Rule 28-106.201, Florida Administrative Code, St. Joe Natural Gas Company (SJNG) filed a petition for approval of a temporary storm cost recovery surcharge to recover incremental storm restoration costs associated with Hurricane Michael in Docket No. 20200039-GU. The intervention of the Office of Public Counsel (OPC) was acknowledged by Order PSC-2020-0066-PCO-GU, issued on March 2, 2020. There are no additional parties to this docket.

The temporary surcharge requested by SJNG was approved by Order PSC-2020-0117-PCO-GU, issued on April 20, 2020. This docket has remained open pending final reconciliation of actual recoverable Hurricane Michael storm costs with the amount collected pursuant to the temporary storm cost recovery surcharge, and an order addressing any over or under recovery.

On February 19, 2021, SJNG filed its request for approval of final cost recovery amount and surcharge. An Order Establishing Procedure, Order PSC-2021-0096-PCO-GU, was issued on March 4, 2021, establishing controlling dates to govern this proceeding, including for the filing of testimony and an administrative hearing. Shortly thereafter, on March 25, 2021, SJNG and OPC filed a Joint Motion for Approval of Stipulation and Settlement. In paragraph 10 of that Joint Motion, SJNG and OPC ask that the schedule established by Order PSC-2021-0096-PCO-GU be suspended pending Commission consideration of the Stipulation and Settlement.

Based on a review of the Joint Motion for Approval of Stipulation and Settlement, the request in paragraph 10 is hereby granted. The schedule and activities established by Order PSC-2021-0096-PCO-GU shall be held in abeyance pending Commission consideration of the Stipulation and Settlement.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by Commissioner Art Graham, as Prehearing Officer, that the joint request for abatement by St. Joe Natural Gas Company and the Office of Public Counsel is hereby granted, and all activities in Docket 20200039-GU shall be held in abeyance. Revised proceedings, if any, shall be established by separate order at a later date.

By ORDER of Commissioner Art Graham, as Prehearing Officer, this 2nd day of April, 2021.



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Any party adversely affected by this order, which is preliminary, procedural or intermediate in nature, may request: (1) reconsideration within 10 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.0376, Florida Administrative Code; or (2) judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court, in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility, or the First District Court of Appeal, in the case of a water or wastewater utility. A motion for reconsideration shall be filed with the Office of Commission Clerk, in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.0376, Florida Administrative Code. Judicial review of a preliminary, procedural or intermediate ruling or order is available if review of the final action will not provide an adequate remedy. Such review may be requested from the appropriate court, as described above, pursuant to Rule 9.100, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.