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Docket No. 20250058-GU – Petition for approval of natural gas transportation service agreement between Florida City Gas and Miami-Dade County through Miami-Dade Water and Sewer Department.

Dear Mr. Teitzman:

Attached for filing, please find the original and seven (7) copies of Florida City Gas's Request for Confidential Classification of information contained in its Responses to Staff's First Set of Data Requests.

As always, thank you for your assistance in connection with this filing. If you have any questions whatsoever, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Sincerely,

Beth Keating

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### BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition of Florida City Gas for Approval	)
of Natural Gas Transportation Service	) Docket No.: 20250058-GU
Agreement Between Florida City Gas and	)
Miami-Dade County, Through the Miami-	) Filed: June 3, 2025
Dade Water and Sewer Department	)

# FLORIDA CITY GAS'S REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION FOR INFORMATION

Florida City Gas ("FCG" or "Company") by and through its undersigned counsel, pursuant to Section 366.093, Florida Statutes, and consistent with Rule 25-22.006(4), Florida Administrative Code, hereby submits its Request for Confidential Classification for information contained in its responses to Staff's First Set of Data Requests ("DRs") regarding FCG's proposed new agreement with Miami-Dade County for service to its Water and Sewer Department ("MDWSD"), which were submitted under separate cover on June 2, 2025. The information for which the Company seeks confidential treatment is information that is similar to that which the Commission has afforded confidential classification in prior cases, namely in Docket No. 20130089-GU, which addressed the prior agreement with MDWSD, as well as information for which the Company has requested confidential treatment previously in this proceeding. In support thereof, FCG hereby states:

1. FCG seeks confidential classification of the highlighted information for the following information for the specific reasons identified below:

Document	Location	Information Type/Rationale
Data Request Responses, page	Response to DR #7,	Rates for interim between
2	Chart contained in the	initial approval and new

Document	Location	Information Type/Rationale
	response, all lines for both	agreement based on contract
	Alex. Orr and Hialeah, in all	terms with inflation applied
	columns (2017 Rates through	per the contract. Rates for this
	2023 Rates).	period were not otherwise
		disclosed when the original
		signed agreement was filed
		non-confidential, and as such,
		remain confidential as and
		between the parties to the
		contract.
Attachment A, fifth page of	Tier 1, Tier 2, and Tier 3 rates	Amounts identified reflect the
attachment, <u>2024</u>	identified under both Alex.	new negotiated rates between
Recommended Rates	Orr and Hialeah (amounts in	the parties, which both treat as
	Rate column)	confidential.
Attachment B, Cost of Service	Amounts reflected in both	Amounts identified reflect the
Analysis	Alex. Orr and Hialeah	new negotiated rates between
	columns for Rate-Tier 1, Rate-	the parties, which both treat as
	Tier 2, and Rate-Tier 3 lines	confidential.
	under both 2024 TSA Rates	
	and <u>Difference</u>	

This information is directly related to the negotiated rates and terms of the LES Agreement, which both FCG and MDWSD treat as proprietary confidential business information consistent with the definition of that term in Section 366.093, Florida Statutes.

- 2. The information for which FCG seeks confidential classification meets the definition of "proprietary confidential business information" as set forth in Section 366.093(3(d) and (e)), Florida Statutes, which provide:
  - (3) Proprietary confidential business information means information, regardless of form or characteristics, which is owned or controlled by the person or company, is intended to be and is treated by the person or company as private in that the disclosure of the information would cause harm to the ratepayers or the person's or company's business operations, and has not been disclosed unless disclosed pursuant to a statutory provision, an order of a court or administrative body, or private agreement that provides that the information will not be released to the public. Proprietary confidential business information includes, but is not limited to:
  - (a) Trade secrets.
  - (b) Internal auditing controls and reports of internal auditors.
  - (c) Security measures, systems, or procedures.
  - (d) Information concerning bids or other contractual data, the disclosure of which would impair the efforts of the public utility or its affiliates to contract for goods or services on favorable terms.
  - (e) Information relating to competitive interests, the disclosure of which would impair the competitive business of the provider of the information.
  - (f) Employee personnel information unrelated to compensation, duties, qualifications, or responsibilities.

# {Emphasis added}

3. Release of the referenced information as a public record would reveal the specific rate included in a competitive contract. Disclosure of this information would impair FCG's ability to compete for goods and services and provide its competitors with an unfair competitive advantage. As such, FCG requests that the Commission protect this information consistent with Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code. To the extent of FCG's knowledge, this information is not otherwise available in the public domain. Thus, the information meets the

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definition of "proprietary confidential business information" as set forth in Sections

366.093(3)(d) and (e), Florida Statutes. As such, FCG requests that the Commission protect this

information consistent with Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code.

4. Included with this Request is a highlighted copy of the data response page and referenced

attachments. In addition, two redacted copies of the documents are enclosed.

5. FCG asks that confidential classification be granted for a period of at least 18 months.

Should the Commission no longer find that it needs to retain the information, FCG respectfully

requests that the confidential information be returned to the Company.

WHEREFORE, Florida City Gas respectfully requests that the highlighted information

contained in its responses to Staff's First Set of Data Requests be classified as "proprietary

confidential business information," and thus, exempt from Section 119.07, Florida Statutes.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of June, 2025.

Beth Keating

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# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY ATTEST that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Request for Confidentiality has been served upon the following by Electronic Mail (redacted only) this 3rd day of June, 2025:

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By:

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Attorneys for Florida City Gas

Please refer to Attachment "C" for the unredacted contract as filed 12/20/2013, which is the finalized, approved version of exhibit A to the 2013 Petition, as well as Exhibit D from that 2013 filing.

5. Please provide documentation to demonstrate that the new negotiated rates proposed in the agreement reflect an adjustment in inflationary factors.

#### Company Response

Please refer to Attachment "A" for the calculations adjusted by the inflationary factors.

6. Article VII, subsection 3 of the 2014 TSA contains a provision allowing for the rate of natural gas transported to Miami-Dade County's plants by FCG to be increased each year by the annual United States Bureau of Labor Statistics Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U), beginning in 2018. Please explain if FCG increased the rate for natural gas transportation by the CPI-U during the term of the 2014 TSA. If so, which years?

#### Company Response

Yes, the rate was increased since 2018 with corresponding CPI-U. Please refer to answer to question 7.

7. Please provide the natural gas transportation rates for service for the period January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2023 as a result of any Annual Price Increase, as stated in Article VII, subsection 3 of the 2014 TSA.

# Company Response

Please refer to the following table for the transportation rates for the period January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2023.

Alex, Orr				2017 Rates	2018 Rates	2019 Rates	2020 Rates	2021 Rates	2022 Rates	2023 Rates
If annual usage is:	1	to	3,449,999							
If annual usage is:	3,450,000	to	4,199,999							
If annual usage is:	4,200,000	and	l higher							
Hialeah										
If annual usage is:	1	to	2,299,999							
If annual usage is:	2,300,000	to	2,649,999							
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8. Did Article VII, subsection 3 of the 2014 TSA provide FCG with a sufficient mechanism to reflect changing inflationary factors? Please explain.

Company Response

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Tier 3	\$0.1263	32.71%	\$224,593	-\$109,173
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Tier 2	\$0.0820	63,40%	\$266,130	-\$460,512
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Tler 8	\$0,0848	59.86%	\$425,819	-\$634,615
Tler 2	\$0,1013	52.07%	\$108,484	-\$552,980
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AVG	37100.1	52.25%	\$106,536	-5554,274

#### 2024 Agreement Recommended Rates

Plant	Orr (combi	ned)	Hisleah		
Volume / Rate	Volume	Rate	Volume	Rate	
Tier 1	3.42 million* to less than 3.73 million therms		1.08 million* to less than 1.57 million therms		
Tier 2	3.73 million therms to 3.98 million therms		1.57 million therms to 1.78 million therms		
Tier 3	3,98 million therms and higher		1.78 million therms and higher		

#### Florida City Gas Cost of Service Analysis 2023 TSA MDWASD

Description	Alexander Orr	Hlateah
(a)	(b)	(c)
Plant in Service	\$ 1,118,072	\$ 38,354
Accumulated Prov.		(38,354)
Net Plant	(1,118,072)	\$ -
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Appr. Rate of Return	6.44%	6.44%
Return	\$ -	\$ .
Interest Exp.	\$ -	\$ -
Net Income after Taxes	\$ -	\$ -
Effective Tax Rate	0.2535	0.2535
Income Taxes	\$ -	\$ -
D&M Updates with CPI-U	\$ 91,227	\$ 73,902
Reg. Assessment Fee @ .5%	\$ 497	\$ 359
Depreciation	\$ -	\$ -
Taxes Other	s -	\$ -
Total Expenses	\$ 91,724	\$ 74,261
Total Cost of Service	\$ 91,724	\$ 74,261
New Yolumes for Tiers 2-3		
Volumes (therms) Low	3,420,000	1,080,000
Volumes (therms) Mid	3,730,000	1,570,000
Volumes (therms) High	3,980,000	1,780,000
Incremental Costs		
Rate - Tier 1	\$ 0.0268	\$ 0,0688
Rate - Tier 2	\$ 0.0246	\$ 0.0473
Rate - Tier 3	\$ 0,0230	\$ 0.0417
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