

BEFORE THE
FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: DOCKET NO. 20250003-GU
Purchased gas adjustment (PGA) true-up.

PROCEEDINGS: PREHEARING CONFERENCE

COMMISSIONERS
PARTICIPATING: COMMISSIONER GABRIELLA PASSIDOMO SMITH

DATE: Tuesday, October 21, 2025

TIME: Commenced: 9:30 a.m.
Concluded: 11:10 a.m.

PLACE: Betty Easley Conference Center
Room 148
4075 Esplanade Way
Tallahassee, Florida

REPORTED BY: DEBRA R. KRICK
Court Reporter

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1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 COMMISSIONER PASSIDOMO SMITH: Let's move to
3 03.

4 Mr. Bloom, are there any preliminary matters
5 we need to address before we get to the draft
6 Prehearing Order?

7 MR. BLOOM: Yes. Staff will note for the
8 record that St. Joe Natural Gas Company has been
9 excused from the Prehearing in the 03 docket.

10 COMMISSIONER PASSIDOMO SMITH: Does any party
11 have any other preliminary matter in this docket?

12 Seeing none, we are going to move through,
13 again, same thing, just let me know if there is
14 issues, you know, and just follow me down, and we
15 will slow down and take care of it.

16 Section I, Case Background.

17 Section II, Conduct of Proceedings.

18 Section III, Jurisdiction.

19 Section IV, Procedure for Handling
20 Confidential Information.

21 Section V, Prefiled Testimony and Exhibits.

22 MR. BLOOM: Staff suggests for any witness who
23 is not excused, that the summary of their testimony
24 be no longer than three minutes.

25 COMMISSIONER PASSIDOMO SMITH: Any objection

1 to the three minutes? Seeing none, okay.

2 Order of Witnesses.

3 MR. BLOOM: If the parties are willing to
4 excuse witnesses, staff will confirm with each
5 Commissioner that the witnesses can be excused. If
6 no Commissioner has any questions of those
7 witnesses, the witnesses may be excused from the
8 hearing and his or her testimony and exhibits may
9 be entered into the record as though read.

10 COMMISSIONER PASSIDOMO SMITH: Do we know if
11 there is any witnesses that can be stipulated and
12 excused at this time, staff?

13 Move to basic positions. Do any of the
14 parties have any changes to their basic positions,
15 noting Mr. Rehwinkel's in the first?

16 MR. REHWINKEL: Not an issue on the gas ones.

17 COMMISSIONER PASSIDOMO SMITH: Great. Okay.
18 Thank you.

19 Staff?

20 MR. BLOOM: Staff notes that for issues in
21 which a party has taken no position at this time,
22 if a party does not take a position on these
23 issues, per the OEP, their position will be changed
24 to no position in the Prehearing Order.

25 Per the OEP, if a party fails to take a

1 position on an issue by the time of the Prehearing
2 Conference, the party waives its opportunity to
3 conduct cross-examination on the issue, as well as
4 file a post-hearing brief on the issue.

5 COMMISSIONER PASSIDOMO SMITH: Are there any
6 other related matters that need to be discussed
7 before we move on?

8 Seeing none, we are going to move to the
9 exhibit list. Staff?

10 MR. BLOOM: Staff has prepared and circulated
11 to the parties a draft Comprehensive Exhibit List
12 that includes all prefiled exhibits. Staff will
13 check with the parties prior to the hearing to
14 determine if there are any objections to the
15 Comprehensive Exhibit List.

16 COMMISSIONER PASSIDOMO SMITH: All right.
17 Staff, are there will any proposed stipulations?

18 MR. BLOOM: There are no stipulations at this
19 time.

20 COMMISSIONER PASSIDOMO SMITH: Are there any
21 pending motions?

22 MR. BLOOM: There are no pending motions at
23 this time.

24 COMMISSIONER PASSIDOMO SMITH: Pending
25 confidentiality motions?

1 MR. BLOOM: There are no pending
2 confidentiality requests at this time.

3 COMMISSIONER PASSIDOMO SMITH: Okay.
4 Post-Hearing Procedures.

5 MR. BLOOM: If parties agree to waive briefs,
6 the Commission may make a bench decision for this
7 docket. If there are any issues to be briefed,
8 staff recommends post-hearing briefs no longer than
9 40 pages.

10 COMMISSIONER PASSIDOMO SMITH: Any objection?

11 All right. Seeing none, let's move to
12 Rulings.

13 MR. BLOOM: Staff recommends that the
14 Prehearing Officer make a ruling that opening
15 statements, if any, should not exceed three minutes
16 per party unless any party chooses to waive its
17 opening statement.

18 COMMISSIONER PASSIDOMO SMITH: Objections?
19 Seeing none, opening statements shall be limited to
20 three minutes per party.

21 Mr. Bloom, are there any other matters to
22 address in this Prehearing Conference?

23 MR. BLOOM: There are no other matters to
24 address.

25 COMMISSIONER PASSIDOMO SMITH: All right.

1 Seeing none, this concludes the Prehearing in 03.

2 Let's move to 04.

3 (Proceedings concluded.)

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2 STATE OF FLORIDA)
3 COUNTY OF LEON)

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6 I, DEBRA KRICK, Court Reporter, do hereby
7 certify that the foregoing proceeding was heard at the
8 time and place herein stated.

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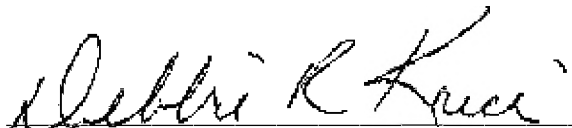
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