

**MEDIA ADVISORY
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

HURRICANE IRMA ALERT:
*Florida Public Utilities Urges Customers to
Follow Emergency Guidelines*

Fernandina Beach, FL September 9, 2017: Florida Public Utilities (FPU) is currently tracking Hurricane Irma as it threatens Florida. We are preparing for any power, natural gas, or propane emergencies created by the storm or its aftermath. Should this storm make land fall in any of our service territories, FPU advises its **gas customers** to:

- Leave their natural gas and propane service on, even in the event of an evacuation. DO NOT attempt to turn gas off at the meter.
- If at any time residents detect the odor of rotten eggs or a sulfur-like aroma, there could be a natural gas or propane leak. Residents should leave the premises immediately and call Florida Public Utilities.
- Customers who suspect their natural gas or propane appliances have been flooded or damaged due to the storm must have the equipment inspected and serviced by Florida Public Utilities or a qualified gas contractor.

Our crews are prepared to handle emergencies created by Irma. Our customers are urged to follow the precautions outlined by emergency management officials. Only qualified FPU technicians can safely restore electric or gas service.

Please follow all developments and precautions regarding downed power lines, flooding, protecting electric equipment and much more at: www.FPUCHurricaneUpdates.com or stay informed of updates on your portable battery-powered radios. Restoration efforts can begin as long as sustained winds are below 40-miles per hour, as mandated by emergency management.

If your service has been interrupted, please contact FPU for service restoration:

- 1.800.427.7712 (natural gas);
- 1.855.583.4973 (propane)

About Florida Public Utilities Company

Florida Public Utilities Company (NYSE: CPK) is a wholly owned subsidiary of Chesapeake Utilities Corporation. Headquartered in Fernandina Beach, Florida, FPU (www.fpuc.com) distributes natural gas, propane and electric services to approximately 100,000 customers in markets throughout Florida.

About Chesapeake Utilities Corporation

Chesapeake Utilities Corporation (NYSE: CPK) is a diversified energy company engaged in natural gas distribution, transmission, gathering and processing, and marketing, electricity generation and distribution, propane gas distribution and other businesses. Information about Chesapeake's businesses is available at www.chpk.com.

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