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RE:

DOCKET NO. 970004-EU, PLANNING HEARINGS ON LOAD

FORECASTS, GENERATION EXPANSION PLANS, AND COGENERATION

PRICES FOR FLORIDA'S ELECTRIC UTILITIES

AGENDA:

8/05/97 - REGULAR AGENDA - PROPOSED AGENCY ACTION -

INTERESTED PERSONS MAY PARTICIPATE

CRITICAL STATUS:

NONE

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: S:\PSC\EAG\WP\970004.RCM

CASE BACKGROUND

The Commission and other state agencies were asked by the President of the Florida Senate to identify rules that were unnecessary, redundant, overlapping, or obsolete. In response, the Commission identified for repeal Rule 25-17.0833, Florida Administrative Code, which provided for annual planning hearings resulting in a Statewide Avoided Unit for pricing cogeneration. In Docket No. 960912-EI, the Commission found that this rule was unnecessary, since the annual Ten-Year Site Plan workshops have taken the place of docketed annual planning hearings. Therefore, Rule 25-17.0833, Florida Administrative Code, was repealed effective June 9, 1997.

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DISCUSSION OF ISSUE

ISSUE 1: Should Docket No. 970004-EU be closed?

RECOMMENDATION: Yes.

STAFF ANALYSIS: Prior to its repeal on June 9, 1997, Rule 25-17.0833, Florida Administrative Code, read as follows:

- (1) Upon petition or on its own motion, the Commission shall periodically review optimal generation and transmission plans from a statewide and individual utility perspective. In connection with these proceedings, the Commission shall consider the need for capacity from both a statewide and individual utility perspective, the adequacy of the transmission grid, and other strategic planning concerns affecting the Florida electric grid.
- (2) Upon petition, or on its own motion, the Commission, as needed, shall review individual utility generation and expansion plans at any time.

Docket No. 970004-EU was reserved by the Commission as a forum, if needed, to decide matters pertaining to annual planning hearings. With the repeal of Rule 25-17.0833, Florida Administrative Code, this forum is longer needed. The annual Ten-Year Site Plan workshop fulfills the Commission's need to review utility planning activities, and the Commission can open a docket at any time to address issues arising from the Ten-Year Site Plan workshops.

Since the repeal of Rule 25-17.0833, Florida Administrative Code eliminated the need for annual planning hearings, Docket No. 970004-EU is no longer needed. Therefore, staff recommends that the docket be closed.