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#### **VIA HAND DELIVERY**

Blanca S. Bayo, Director Division of Records and Reporting Gunter Building 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0870

Re: Docket No. 981890-EU

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing and distribution are the original and fifteen copies of the Florida Industrial Power Users Group's Petition to Intervene in the above docket.

Please acknowledge receipt of the above on the extra copy enclosed herein and return it to me. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

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#### BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Generic Investigation into the	)	Docket No. 981890-EU
Aggregate Electric Utility Reserve	)	
Margins Planned for Peninsular Florida.	)	Filed: March 2, 1999
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## THE FLORIDA INDUSTRIAL POWER USERS GROUP'S PETITION TO INTERVENE

The Florida Industrial Power Users Group (FIPUG) hereby petitions to intervene in the above docket. As grounds therefor, FIPUG states:

1. The name and address of Petitioner is:

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2. All pleadings, orders and correspondence should be directed to:

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3. In this docket, the Commission will examine the methodologies used to calculate reserve margin as well as investigate what the appropriate reserve margin for peninsular Florida should be.

4. FIPUG is an organization of large industrial consumers. The cost of electricity constitutes one of FIPUG's members' largest variable costs. Equally important to FIPUG members is the reliability of the Florida grid. As consumers of large amounts of electricity who depend upon the utilities to provide reliable service, FIPUG members have a substantial interest in this docket.

5. FIPUG's interests will be substantially affected by the action the Commission takes in this docket.

WHEREFORE, FIPUG requests that the Commission grant FIPUG's petition to intervene and accord it full party status in this docket.

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of FIPUG's foregoing Petition to Intervene has been furnished by hand delivery (\*) or by U.S. Mail to the following parties of record this 2nd day of March, 1999:

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