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Ms. Blanca Bayo Director of Records and Reporting Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

> Re: Docket 981890-EU Generic Investigation into the Aggregate Electric Utility Reserve Margins Planned for Peninsular Florida

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed, please find the original and seven copies of the Request for Confidential Classification submitted on behalf of the Florida Reliability Coordinating Council, Inc., and the Objection of Florida Reliability Coordinating Council Inc., to Duke Energy North America's First Request for Production.

Sincerely, Sexton-

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Generic Investigation Into The) Aggregate Electric Utility Reserve) Margins Planned for Peninsular) Florida.

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Docket No. 981890-EU

Submitted for filing: October 11, 1999

REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION BY THE FLORIDA RELIABILITY COORDINATING COUNCIL, INC.

The Florida Reliability Coordinating Council, Inc., (FRCC), by and through its undersigned counsel, files its request for Confidential Classification of FRCC's response to Interrogatory No. 20 of Staff's Second Set of Interrogatories to the Florida Reliability Coordinating Council, pursuant to Section 366.093, Florida Statutes, and Florida Administrative Code Rule 25-22.006.

1. Staff Interrogatory No. 20 requested that FRCC provide the Daily Capacity Assessment for each day for the last two years. This information is contained on a Daily Capacity Assessment report generated each day by FRCC, reflecting information provided to FRCC by its member utilities. Copies of the Daily Capacity Assessment reports have been provided to the Staff in response to Interrogatory No. 20, showing various components of daily load and capacity for the region, as well as trigger temperatures for various cities and peak loads experienced by certain named utilities. These materials were submitted to the Division of Records and Reporting, along with a Notice of Intent to Seek Confidential Classification, all in accordance with the provisions of Florida Administrative Code Rule 25-22.006.

2. All of the information contained on the copies of the Daily Capacity Assessment reports provided to the Staff in response to Interrogatory No. 20 is proprietary confidential business information under Section 366.093(3)(e), Florida Statutes, in that it is information relating to competitive interests, the disclosure of which would impair the competitive business DUCUMENT NUMPER-DATE

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relating to competitive interests, the disclosure of which would impair the competitive business of FRCC's members. The Daily Capacity Assessment is performed for reliability purposes pursuant to the Generating Capacity Shortage Plan approved by the Commission and last amended in July 1997. The data collected is controlled by FRCC and its members, and is intended to be and is treated by FRCC and its members as private. Access to any of this information by a market participant would impair the competitive business of FRCC's members and provide competitors in the wholesale market for power an undue advantage.

3. In any competitive market, the availability of information about competitors provides market participants a competitive advantage. This is increasingly true in the wholesale market for electricity. The sensitive information utilized in this report to assess the reliability of the region can provide any wholesale merchant function with information they would otherwise not be able to obtain. FRCC members will be placed in a disadvantageous position in the market if competitors know the details provided in this report.

WHEREFORE the Florida Reliability Coordinating Council, Inc., requests that all of the information contained in the Daily Capacity Assessment reports provided in response to Interrogatory No. 20 of Staff's Second Set of Interrogatories to the Florida Reliability Coordinating Council be classified as confidential.

Dated: October 11, 1999

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Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a copy of the foregoing has been provided by U.S. Mail to the

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