

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Adoption of Numeric  
Conservation Goals and  
Consideration of National Energy  
Policy Act Standards (Section  
111) by Florida Public Utilities  
Company.

DOCKET NO. 990721-EG  
ORDER NO. PSC-00-0313-PCO-EG  
ISSUED: February 17, 2000

ORDER GRANTING CONTINUANCE

This docket was opened for the purpose of establishing numeric conservation goals for Florida Public Utilities Company (FPUC) for the period 2001-2010. This matter was scheduled for a formal evidentiary hearing on February 21, 2000. On February 7, 2000, FPUC filed a motion for continuance of the scheduled hearing.

In its motion, FPUC states that its goals and programs have historically been derived from certain goals and programs offered by Gulf Power Company (Gulf). FPUC asserts that it had initially intended to extend the goals and programs in place prior to this docket being opened. However, FPUC contends, it has determined through recent meetings with Gulf and through internal review procedures, that the goals information previously submitted to the Commission in this docket should be revised. FPUC states that it is developing revised information to submit to the Commission but that it has not yet completed its submittal for staff to have time to review the information prior to the hearing scheduled for February 21, 2000. FPUC states that it will file its revised testimony and goals no later than February 29, 2000.

Upon consideration of the motion, it appears that FPUC has shown good cause for the requested continuance. The Executive Office of the Governor is a party to this docket pursuant to Section 366.82(2), Florida Statutes, but has indicated that it does not oppose FPUC's motion. There are no other parties to this docket. Therefore, FPUC shall be granted a continuance to prepare and submit revised information that will provide the Commission with the best information available upon which to base its decision in this docket. This docket may be converted to a proposed agency action proceeding to allow the Commission to establish numeric conservation goals for FPUC within the time required by Section 366.82, Florida Statutes.

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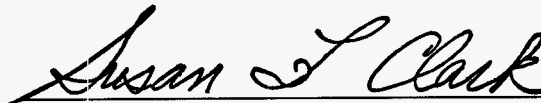
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Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by Susan F. Clark, as Prehearing Officer, that Florida Public Utilities Company's motion for continuance is granted as set forth above.

By ORDER of Commissioner Susan F. Clark, as Prehearing Officer, this 17th Day of February, 2000.



SUSAN F. CLARK  
Commissioner and Prehearing Officer

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NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.569(1), Florida Statutes, to notify parties of any administrative hearing or judicial review of Commission orders that is available under Sections 120.57 or 120.68, Florida Statutes, as well as the procedures and time limits that apply. This notice should not be construed to mean all requests for an administrative hearing or judicial review will be granted or result in the relief sought.

Mediation may be available on a case-by-case basis. If mediation is conducted, it does not affect a substantially interested person's right to a hearing.

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Any party adversely affected by this order, which is preliminary, procedural or intermediate in nature, may request: (1) reconsideration within 10 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.0376, Florida Administrative Code, if issued by a Prehearing Officer; (2) reconsideration within 15 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code, if issued by the Commission; or (3) judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court, in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility, or the First District Court of Appeal, in the case of a water or wastewater utility. A motion for reconsideration shall be filed with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code. Judicial review of a preliminary, procedural or intermediate ruling or order is available if review of the final action will not provide an adequate remedy. Such review may be requested from the appropriate court, as described above, pursuant to Rule 9.100, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.