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# VIA HAND DELIVERY

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Docket No.: 020175 Re:

Dear Ms. Bayo:

On behalf of Reliant Energy Power Generation, Inc., enclosed for filing and distribution are the original and 15 copies of the following:

- Amended Complaint of Reliant Energy Power Generation, Inc. Against 05326-02 Florida Power and Light Company and,
- Reliant's Motion for Leave to Amend Complaint Against FPL. 05325-02

Please acknowledge receipt of the above on the extra copy of each and return the AUS -stamped copies to me. Thank you for your assistance. CAF

Sincerely,

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#### **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

In re: Complaint of Reliant Energy Power Generation, Inc. Against Florida Power and Light Company

Docket No. 020175

Filed: May 17, 2002

## **RELIANT'S MOTION FOR LEAVE TO AMEND COMPLAINT AGAINST FPL**

Pursuant to Rules 28-106.202 and 28-106.204, Florida Administrative Code, Reliant Energy Power Generation, Inc. ("Reliant"), through its undersigned counsel, submits this Motion for Leave to Amend the original complaint filed in this docket on February 28, 2002. In support thereof, Reliant states:

1. On February 28, 2002, Reliant filed a complaint alleging that Florida Power & Light Company (FPL) violated Rule 25-22.082, Florida Administrative Code in the manner in which it formulated and processed its August 2001 RFP.

2. FPL filed a Motion to Dismiss Reliant's Complaint on March 20, 2002, to which Reliant responded on March 27, 2002.

3. On March 22, 2002, FPL submitted separate petitions for determinations of need for two proposed units, Martin Unit 8 and Manatee Unit 3. Docket Nos. 020262-EI and 020263-EI were opened to process the petitions.

4. On April 26, 2002, Commission Order No. PSC-02-0571-PCO-EI granted FPL's Emergency Motion to Hold Proceedings in Abeyance in the need determination dockets. The stated purpose of FPL's emergency pleading was to allow FPL to issue a Supplemental RFP that would address or eliminate aspects of the August 2001 RFP that had been the subject of criticism. FPL issued a revised RFP on the same day.

5. Subsequent to issuing the April 26 Supplemental RFP, on May 14, 2002, FPL filed an Amended Motion to Dismiss in this docket, including as additional grounds that the

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issuance of the revised RFP had rendered moot the issues raised by Reliant's Complaint.

6. Upon review, Reliant has determined that the revised RFP addresses some, but not all, of the allegations in Reliant's original complaint, and incorporates a provision that warrants inclusion in this proceeding. Accordingly, Reliant seeks leave to amend its Complaint to address aspects of the revised RFP that FPL issued on April 26, 2002.

7. This Commission has recognized that "[t]he longstanding policy in Florida, and of this Commission in particular, is to allow pleadings to be freely amended so that disputes may be resolved on their merits." <sup>1</sup>

8. This Commission "has broad discretion to allow amendment of pleadings" where the privilege has not been abused and where judicial economy would be served.<sup>2</sup>

9. The purpose of this Amended Complaint is to focus the issues in this dispute so that the merits may be considered properly and efficiently. The notion of judicial economy necessitates that the pleadings be amended in light of the April 26 RFP.

10. Pursuant to Rule 28-106.204, the undersigned counsel has contacted counsel for FPL regarding this motion. Counsel for FPL stated that FPL opposes this motion based on FPL's view that Reliant should withdraw its complaint and raise any objections to the April 26 RFP in a new complaint or in the determination of need docket.

WHEREFORE, pursuant to Rules 28-106.202 and 28-106.204, Reliant requests the Pre-

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>In re: Petition by AT&T Communications of the Southern States, Inc., TCG South Florida, and MediaOne Florida Telecommunications, Inc. for structural separation of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. into two distinct wholesale and retail corporate subsidiaries, Docket No. 010345-TP; Order No. PSC-01-1615-PCO-TP, August 8, 2001, at 3.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>In re: Petition by Florida Digital Network, Inc. for arbitration of certain terms and conditions of proposed interconnection and resale agreement with BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. under the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Docket No. 010098-TP, Order No. PSC-01-1168-PCO-TP, May 22, 2001

Hearing Officer to issue an order allowing Reliant to submit its Amended Complaint (attached) against Florida Power and Light Company in Docket 020175-EI.

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Reliant's Motion for Leave to Amend Complaint Against FPL, was on this <u>17th</u> day of May, 2002, served via (\*) Hand delivery and U.S. Mail to the following:

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