## BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Fuel and purchased power cost	
recovery clause with generating	Docket No. 080001-El
performance incentive factor	Dated: June 30, 2008

## AFFIDAVIT OF LORI CROSS IN SUPPORT OF PROGRESS ENERGY FLORIDA'S REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION

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STATE OF FLORIDA

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## COUNTY OF PINELLAS

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority duly authorized to administer oaths, personally appeared Lori Cross, who being first duly sworn, on oath deposes and says that:

My name is Lori Cross. I am over the age of 18 years old and I have been

authorized by Progress Energy Florida (hereinafter "PEF" or the "Company") to give this affidavit in the above-styled proceeding on PEF's behalf and in support of PEF's Request for Confidential Classification. The facts attested to in my affidavit are based upon my personal knowledge.

2. I am the Manager of Regulatory Planning for Progress Energy Florida.

3. As the Manager of Regulatory Planning, I am responsible, along with the other members of the section, for the regulatory strategy, compliance and planning functions of the Florida electric utility.

4. PEF is seeking confidential classification for portions of its responses to Staff's Midcourse Data Request, specifically Question 1, Attachment titled "E-10

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Schedules for 2008 & 2009". A detailed description of the confidential information at issue is contained in confidential Exhibit A to PEF's Request for Confidential Classification and is outlined in PEF's Justification Matrix that is attached to PEF's Request for Confidential Classification as Exhibit C. PEF is requesting confidential classification of this document because public disclosure of the information in question would violate confidentiality agreements between PEF and its nuclear vendors, the disclosure of which would impair the Company's ability to contract for nuclear goods and services on competitive and favorable terms.

5. PEF negotiates with potential nuclear vendors to obtain competitive contracts for nuclear goods that provide economic value to PEF and its ratepayers. In order to obtain such goods, however, PEF must be able to assure nuclear vendors that sensitive business information, such as pricing figures, will be kept confidential. With respect to the information at issue in this Request, PEF has kept confidential and has not publicly disclosed confidential contract terms such as pricing figures. Absent such measures, nuclear vendors would run the risk that sensitive business information that they provided to PEF would be made available to the public and, as a result, adversely affect the business relationship between PEF and the nuclear vendor. Faced with that risk, persons or companies who otherwise would contract with PEF might decide not to do so if PEF did not keep those terms of their contracts confidential. Without PEF's measures to maintain the confidentiality of sensitive terms in contracts between PEF and nuclear vendors, the Company's efforts to contract for competitive nuclear goods and services could be undermined.

- 6. Additionally, the disclosure of confidential information in PEF's nuclear goods contracts, proposals, and other such documents could adversely impact PEF's competitive business interests. If such information was disclosed to PEF's competitors, PEF's efforts to obtain competitive nuclear supply options that provide economic value to both PEF and its ratepayers could be compromised by PEF's competitors changing their behavior within the relevant markets.
- 7. Upon receipt of confidential information from nuclear vendors, and with its own confidential information, strict procedures are established and followed to maintain the confidentiality of the terms of the documents and information provided, including restricting access to those persons who need the information to assist the Company, and restricting the number of, and access to the information and contracts. At no time since receiving the information in question has the Company publicly disclosed that information. The Company has treated and continues to treat the information at issue as confidential.
  - This concludes my affidavit.
     Further affiant sayeth not.

Dated the 21 day of June, 2008.

(Signature)
Lori Cross
Manager
Regulatory Planning
Progress Energy Florida
299 First Avenue North
St. Petersburg, FL 33701

THE FOREGOING INSTRU	JMENT was sworn to and subscribed before me this
27 day of June, 2008 by Lori Cross	UMENT was sworn to and subscribed before me this s. She is personally known to me, or has produced
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identification.	
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