BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Fuel and purchased power cost recovery clause.

Docket No. 080001-EI

Dated: July 17, 2008



PROGRESS ENERGY FLORIDA INC.'S REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION

Progress Energy Florida, Inc., ("PEF" or "Company"), pursuant to Section 366.093, Florida Statutes (F.S.), and Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), submits this Request for Confidential Classification of portions of PEF's responses to FIPUG's First Set of Interrogatories (Nos. 1-21). In support of this Request, PEF states:

- 1. The Staff audit work papers and data request responses at issue contain "proprietary business information" under Section 366.093(3), Florida Statutes.
 - 2. The following exhibits are included with this request:
- (a) Composite Exhibit A, the document for which PEF seeks confidential treatment, which was previously filed with PEF's Notice of Intent filed on June 27, 2008.
- of the documents for which the Company requests confidential classification. The specific information for which confidential treatment is requested has been blocked out by opaque marker or other means.
 - (c) Exhibit C is a table which identifies by page and line the information for

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which PEF seeks confidential classification and the specific statutory bases for seeking confidential treatment.

- 3. As indicated in Exhibit C, the information for which PEF requests confidential classification is "proprietary confidential business information" within the meaning of Section 366.093(3), F.S. Portions of PEF's responses to FIPUG's First Set of Interrogatories (Nos. 1-21), specifically Attachments A and B and Questions 5 and 6, contain information that relates to sensitive business information, such as hedging volumes and percentages, the disclosure of which would impair the efforts of the Company to negotiate fuel supply contracts and fuel hedges on favorable terms. *See* § 366.093(3)(d), F.S.; Affidavit of Joseph McCallister at ¶ 5. Furthermore, the information at issue relates to the competitive interests of PEF, the disclosure of which would impair PEF's competitive business. *Id.* § 366.093(3)(e); Affidavit of Joseph McCallister at ¶ 6. Accordingly, such information constitutes "proprietary confidential business information" which is exempt from disclosure under the Public Records Act pursuant to Section 366.093(1), F.S.
- 4. The information identified as Exhibit "A" is intended to be and is treated as confidential by the Company. See Affidavit of Joseph McCallister at ¶7. The information contained in PEF's responses to FIPUG's First Set of Interrogatories (Nos. 1-21) has not been disclosed to the public, and the Company has treated and continues to treat the information at issue as confidential. See Affidavit of Joseph McCallister at ¶7.
- 5. PEF requests that the information identified in Exhibit A be classified as "proprietary confidential business information" within the meaning of section 366.093(3), F.S., that the information remain confidential for a period of at least 18 months as provided in section 366.093(4) F.S., and that the information be returned as soon as it is no longer necessary for the Commission to conduct its business.

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, PEF respectfully requests that this Request for Confidential Classification be granted.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 17th day of July, 2008.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished via regular U.S. mail (* via hand delivery) to the following this <u>17th</u> day of July, 2008.

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Exhibit A

(PEF responses to FIPUG's 1st Rogs (1-21))

(A separate sealed envelope labeled "confidential" was previously filed on June 27, 2008 with PEF's Notice of Intent to Request Confidential Classification. The envelope contains one copy of the confidential documents for which PEF seeks confidential treatment)