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- c. The document is filed on behalf of Associated Industries of Florida.
- d. The total pages in the document are 2 pages.
- e. The attached document is AIF's Response to Staff Data Request #5.



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## VIA EMAIL AND US POSTAL SERVICE

Re: Docket No. 080677-EI - Petition for increase in rates by Florida Power & Light

Dear Ms. Bennett:

Please accept this letter as Intervenor Associated Industries of Florida (AIF)'s Response to Staff's Data Request #5.

AIF asserts that the Stipulation and Settlement Agreement (Settlement) serves the public interest and should be approved for several reasons.

As we have stated before, today's economy continues to present unprecedented challenges to government, private sector businesses, communities and families. The Florida Public Service Commission (PSC) will help our state meet those challenges in approving this Settlement which is consistent with its duties to guarantee that the regulated utility companies deliver safe and reliable service to the customers in exchange for payment of a rate that completely and adequately covers the company's cost of delivering that service.

Fundamentally, AIF's members require adequate, reasonably priced electricity in order to conduct their business consistently with the needs of their customers and ownership. Most importantly, the Settlement will freeze base rates through 2012. This critical element of the Settlement will provide Florida businesses and residents with predictability and certainty in their costs of working and living in this state. AIF supports environmental and economic regulatory policies that create a stable investment climate so that electric utilities can build and operate energy generation, transmission and distribution systems to meet Florida's energy needs and be permitted the opportunity to recover the ir prudently incurred costs in meeting that commitment.

Accordingly, AIF supports and asserts that the Settlement before the PSC is in the best interest  $\infty$  of all parties – most importantly Florida consumers and businesses – and should be approved. For more specific details, responses or data sought by Staff's Request #5, AIF respectfully defers and supports the FPL information and technical implementation proposals as submitted in FPL's Response.

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Should you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your time and attention.

Very truly yours,

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cc: All Intervenors