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In re:	Nuclear Power Plant Cost Recovery Clause	Docket No. 110009-EI Submitted for Filing: March	COMMISSION CLERK 1, 2011

# PROGRESS ENERGY FLORIDA, INC.'S FIRST REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION REGARDING PORTIONS OF THE TESTIMONIES AND EXHIBITS AND PETITION FILED AS PART OF THE **COMPANY'S MARCH 1, 2011 TRUE-UP FILING**

Progress Energy Florida, Inc. ("PEF" or the "Company"), pursuant to Section 366.093, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-22.006(3), Florida Administrative Code, files this Request for Confidential Classification Regarding Portions of the Testimonies and Exhibits and Petition Filed As Part of The Company's March 1, 2011 True-Up Filing (the "Request"). PEF is seeking confidential classification of the following materials filed with the Florida Public Service Commission ("FPSC" or the "Commission"): (1) portions of the testimony and the exhibits, the Nuclear Filing Requirements ("NFRs"), of Will Garrett; (2) portions of the testimony of Sue Hardison; (3) portions of the testimony and exhibits of John Elnitsky; (4) portions of the testimony and exhibits of Jon Franke; and (5) portions of the March 1, 2011 Petition to Recover Costs (the "Petition") filed in this docket.

An unredacted version of the documents discussed above is being filed under seal with the Commission as Appendix A on a confidential basis to keep the competitive business information in those documents confidential.

PA.		In further support of this Request, PEF states as follows:	
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AD SC ADM OPC CLK	183075	Section 366.093(1), Florida Statutes, provides that "any re claim of confidentiality notice of intent request for confidentiality filed by OPC  For DN 1372-1, which is in locked storage. You must be authorized to view this DNCLK	DOCUMENT NUMBER-DATE  0   37   MAR-I =
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Commission which are shown and found by the Commission to be proprietary confidential business information shall be kept confidential and shall be exempt from [the Public Records Act]." § 366.093(1), Fla. Stat. Proprietary confidential business information means information that is (i) intended to be and is treated as private confidential information by the Company, (ii) because disclosure of the information would cause harm, (iii) either to the Company's ratepayers or the Company's business operation, and (iv) the information has not been voluntarily disclosed to the public. § 366.093(3), Fla. Stat. Specifically, "information concerning bids or other contractual data, the disclosure of which would impair the efforts of the public utility or its affiliates to contract for goods or services on favorable terms" is defined as proprietary confidential business information. § 366.093(3)(d), Fla. Stat.

Additionally, subsection 366.093(3)(e) defines "information relating to competitive interests, the disclosure of which would impair the competitive business of the provider of the information," as proprietary confidential business information.

## **Testimony and Exhibits**

As listed above, portions of the testimony and exhibits of Will Garrett, John Elnitsky, and Jon Franke as well as portions of the testimony of Sue Hardison and the Petition contain confidential, proprietary business information regarding the purchase of equipment, materials, and services necessary for the construction and operation of the Levy Nuclear Power Project ("LNP") and the Crystal River Unit 3 ("CR3") Power Uprate Project ("CR3 Uprate" and collectively with LNP the "Nuclear Projects").

More specifically, portions of the testimony of Will Garrett and attached Exhibit Nos. WG-1, WG-2, and WG-3 (collectively the "NFRs") contain confidential and sensitive contractual information and numbers regarding the Company's nuclear projects, the disclosure of which would impair PEF's competitive business interests and ability to negotiate

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favorable contracts, as well as violate contractual nondisclosure provisions. <u>See</u> Affidavit of Sue Hardison, ¶ 4; Affidavit of Jon Franke, ¶ 4.

The testimony of Sue Hardison contains confidential contractual numbers and terms under the Company's Engineering, Procurement, and Construction contract ("EPC Agreement") with Westinghouse, Shaw, Stone & Webster (the "Consortium") as well as cost numbers and information relating to on-going negotiations with the Consortium and its vendors and preliminary decisions regarding disposition of items of Long Lead Equipment ("LLE") for the LNP. See Affidavit of Hardison, ¶ 4.

The testimony of John Elnitsky and Exhibit Nos. JE-1, JE-2, and JE-3 also contain confidential cost numbers and competitively sensitive business information relating to ongoing negotiations with the Consortium and its vendors and preliminary decisions regarding disposition of LLE items for the LNP. See Affidavit of Hardison, ¶ 4.

The testimony of Jon Franke and Exhibit Nos. JF-1, JF-3, JF-4, JF-5, and JF-6 contain confidential cost numbers regarding the CR3 Uprate project and contractual terms the disclosure of which would harm PEF's competitive business interests. See Affidavit of Franke, ¶ 4.

In addition, the Petition also contains the same confidential contractual numbers and terms under the EPC Agreement as well as cost numbers and information relating to on-going negotiations with the Consortium and its vendors. See Affidavit of Hardison, ¶¶ 4-5;

Affidavit of Franke, ¶¶ 4-5.

Certain of these documents contain contractual quantities and pricing arrangements and payments made between PEF and third parties that would adversely impact PEF's competitive business interests if disclosed to the public. See Affidavit of Hardison, ¶ 5;

Affidavit of Franke, ¶ 5. PEF must be able to assure third parties that enter contractual

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agreements with the Company that sensitive business information, such as the pricing, payment, and quantity terms of their contracts, will be kept confidential. See Affidavit of Hardison, ¶ 5; Affidavit of Franke, ¶ 5. Indeed, some of the contracts at issue contain confidentiality provisions that prohibit the disclosure of the terms of the contract to third parties. Affidavit of Hardison, ¶¶ 5-6; Affidavit of Franke, ¶¶ 5-6.

Additionally, the testimony of Sue Hardison and testimony and exhibits of John Elnitsky, as explained above as well as in Sue Hardison's supporting affidavit, contains competitively sensitive business information regarding the purchase of LLE and other items necessary for the construction and operation of the LNP, and includes a discussion of ongoing negotiations on purchase order disposition and payment terms for LLE. Affidavit of Hardison, ¶ 4-6. Specifically, the information at issue relates to competitively negotiated contractual data, including sensitive pricing information and other contractual details, and ongoing negotiations of contractual change order terms, the disclosure of which would impair the efforts of the Company to negotiate such contracts and change orders on favorable terms. See § 366.093(3)(d), Fla. Stat.; Affidavit of Hardison, ¶¶ 5-6. If third parties were made aware of confidential contractual terms that PEF has with other parties, they may offer PEF less competitive contractual terms in future contractual negotiations and it would impair PEF in on-going negotiations. See Affidavit of Hardison, ¶¶ 5-6. Absent the Company's measures to maintain the confidentiality of sensitive terms in contracts between PEF and vendors, the Company's efforts to obtain competitively priced supply and service contracts could be undermined. Affidavit of Hardison, ¶¶ 5-6; Affidavit of Franke, ¶¶ 5-6.

Strict procedures are established and followed to maintain the confidentiality of the terms of all of the confidential documents and information at issue, including restricting

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access to those persons who need the information and documents to assist the Company. See Affidavit of Franke, ¶ 7; Affidavit of Hardison, ¶ 7.

At no time has the Company publicly disclosed the confidential information or documents at issue; PEF has treated and continues to treat the information and documents at issue as confidential. See Affidavit of Franke, ¶ 7; Affidavit of Hardison, ¶ 7. PEF requests this information be granted confidential treatment by the Commission.

### Conclusion

The competitive, confidential information at issue in this Request fits the statutory definition of proprietary confidential business information under Section 366.093, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-22.006, F.A.C., and therefore that information should be afforded confidential classification. In support of this motion, PEF has enclosed the following:

- (1) A separate, sealed envelope containing one copy of the confidential Appendix A to PEF's Request for which PEF intends to request confidential classification with the appropriate section, pages, or lines containing the confidential information highlighted. This information should be accorded confidential treatment pending a decision on PEF's Request by the Commission;
- (2) Two copies of the documents with the information for which PEF intends to request confidential classification redacted by section, pages, or lines where appropriate as Appendix B; and,
- (3) A justification matrix of the confidential information contained in Appendix A supporting PEF's Request, as Appendix C.

WHEREFORE, PEF respectfully requests that the redacted portions of the testimony and exhibits of Will Garrett; the redacted portions of the testimony of Sue Hardison; the

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redacted portions of the testimony and exhibits of John Elnitsky; the redacted portions of the testimony and exhibits of Jon Franke; and the redacted portions of the Petition be classified as confidential for the reasons set forth above.

Respectfully submitted this 1st day of March, 2011.

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I HEREBY CERTIFY a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished to counsel and parties of record as indicated below via electronic and U.S. Mail this 1st day of March, 2011.

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Re: Acknowledgement of Confidential Filing in Docket No. 110009-EI

This will acknowledge receipt by the Florida Public Service Commission,

Office of Commission Clerk, of a CONFIDENTIAL DOCUMENT filed on March 1,

2011, in the above-referenced docket.

Document Number 01372-11 has been assigned to this filing, which will be maintained in locked storage.

If you have any questions regarding this document, please contact Kim Peña, Records Management Assistant, at (850) 413-6393.