BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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Docket No. 110009-EI

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PROGRESS ENERGY FLORIDA, INC.'S SEVENTEENTH REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION REGARDING PORTIONS OF DEPOSITION OF WILLIAM "TRIPP" COSTON AND KEVIN CARPENTER

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 Deposition Transcript of William "Tripp" Coston and Kevin Carpenter taken July 21, 2011 (the "Transcript"). The Transcript contains confidential and proprietary contractual information, the disclosure of which would impair PEF's competitive business interests, as well as other information the disclosure of which would harm the Company's competitive business interests. information in the Transcript meets the definition of proprietary confidential business information per section 366.093(3), Florida Statutes. The unreducted portions of the Transcript are being filed under seal with the Commission on a confidential basis to keep the _____claim of confidentiality notice of intent competitive business information in the Transcript confidential. request for confidentiality filed by OPC

BASIS FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION

is in locked storage. You must be Section 366.093(1), Florida Statutes, provides that "any records received by the

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 FPSC-COMMISSION CLERK

Company's customers 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, section 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.

Portions of the aforementioned Transcript should be afforded confidential classification for the reasons set forth in the Affidavit of Jon Franke filed in support of PEF's Request for Confidential Classification, and for the following reasons.

Portions of the Transcript Exhibit (collectively the "responsive information") contain references to the Crystal River Unit 3 ("CR3") Extended Power Uprate ("EPU") project ("CR3 Uprate") sections of the Audit Report, specifically, it contains confidential contractual information and numbers, the disclosure of which would impair PEF's competitive business interests and violate PEF's confidentiality agreements with third parties and vendors; information gleaned from internal audit controls and reports; contract and change order financial information; and other information the disclosure of which would impair the Company's competitive business interests. See Franke Affidavit ¶¶ 3-4.

The Company is requesting confidential classification of this information because the referenced material contains proprietary and confidential information that would impair PEF's competitive business interests if publicly disclosed, as well as information concerning contractual data, the disclosure of which would impair the Company's ability to contract on favorable terms and, in many cases, the information constitutes trade secrets of the Company

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and its contract partners. See Franke Affidavit ¶¶ 3-4. In many instances, the disclosure of this information would violate contractual confidentiality provisions or is the result of recent negotiations with PEF vendors or ongoing contracts with vendors. Portions of these documents reflect the Company's internal strategies for evaluating projects. The information contains sensitive information concerning the CR3 Uprate project. Information regarding the CR3 Uprate includes highly confidential and proprietary competitive business information and numbers, the release of which would place PEF's competitors at a relative competitive advantage, thereby harming the interests of the Company and its customers. See Franke Affidavit ¶¶ 3-4; 6.

PEF considers this information to confidential and proprietary and continues to take steps to protect against its public disclosure, including limiting the personnel who have access to this information. If such information was disclosed to PEF's competitors and/or other potential suppliers, PEF's efforts to obtain competitive nuclear equipment and service options that provide economic value to both the Company and its customers could be compromised by the Company's competitors and/or suppliers changing their offers, consumption, or purchasing behavior within the relevant markets. If other third parties were made aware of confidential contractual terms that PEF has with other parties, they may offer less competitive contractual terms in future contractual negotiations. Without the Company's measures to maintain the confidentiality of sensitive terms in contracts with these nuclear contractors, the Company's efforts to obtain competitive contracts could be undermined to the detriment of PEF and its ratepayers. Franke Affidavit ¶¶ 4; 6.

Upon receipt of this confidential information, strict procedures are established and followed to maintain the confidentiality of the information provided, including restricting access to those persons who need the information to assist the Company. At no time since 19730525.1

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. See id. at ¶ 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 Exhibit be classified as confidential for the reasons set forth above.

Respectfully submitted this 29th day of July, 2011.

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9		KEVIN CARPENTER		
10	TAKEN ON BEHALF OF:	PROGRESS ENERGY FLORIDA		
11	DATE:	Thursday, July 21, 2011		
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1	MS. HUHTA: Would you agree?		
2	MR. CARPENTER: I would agree.		
3	MS. HUHTA: If we could turn to the Audit		
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4	Report, looking at page 13 of 48 of the Audit		
5	Report, would you agree that your conclusions and		
6	recommendations regarding the CR3 Uprate Project		
7	EPU LAR was that, quote, Audit Staff believes that		
8	the additional spent to rewrite the		
9	LAR was less about draft editing than restructuring		
٥.	a poorly initiated draft"? Is that accurate?		
1	MR. COSTON: That is correct. That is		
2	accurate.		
۱3 ا	MR. YOUNG: This is one of those I thought		
.4	that we would not to interrupt to walk		
١5	gingerly on because the my guys know that since		
۱6	it's highlighted in yellow it's confidential.		
17	MS. HUHTA: Right.		
18	MR. YOUNG: And if it's fine with you, if you		
19	want them to say the number, if that's fine with		
20	you, they will say the number, but however you want		
21	to treat it.		
22	MR. WALLS: We're fine with that.		
23	MR. YOUNG: Okay.		
24	MS. HUHTA: We're fine with the numbers. We		
25	understand that there's going to be confidential		

information in this deposition transcript that the company will have to go through the appropriate processes to keep confidential, to the extent it is going to be filed with the Commission.

MR. YOUNG: Okay.

MR. WALLS: It just may be easier to use the number to avoid confusion about what we're talking about and what you're talking about.

MR. YOUNG: Okay.

MS. HUHTA: Is that statement I read from page 13 of 48 accurate as a conclusion in your Audit Report?

MR. COSTON: Yes.

MS. HUHTA: You go on to state on page 13, quote, Audit Staff believes that the lack of project management oversight during the initial application development contributed to both the underlying deficiencies and the need for the additional Areva work -- Areva is A-r-e-v-a -- this amount does not include any work related to necessary engineering or project scope development; therefore, Audit Staff believes that the

spent was avoidable.

Is that an accurate statement of your conclusions and recommendations regarding the CR3

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MR. COSTON: I would agree that it says that		
it's in reference to LAR quality issues.		
MS. HUHTA: So is it your position that that		
is one of the reasons for the LAR quality issues		
that was identified by the Expert Panel		
MR. COSTON: Yes.		
MS. HUHTA: in the June, July 2009 time		
period?		
MR. COSTON: Yes.		
MS. HUHTA: For the initial draft of the LAR,		
PEF agreed to a flat fee for Areva for in		
Work Authorization 84. Is that your understanding?		
MR. COSTON: That is my recollection. Do you		
have a copy of the document I could verify?		
MS. HUHTA: Yes.		
MR. COSTON: Thank you.		
MS. HUHTA: On page four of 91 of Work		
Authorization 84 under the chart labeled "Project		
Milestone and Payment Schedule," line 8.28, LAR		
inputs 51 Document, the amount noted is		
that accurate?		
MR. COSTON: That is accurate, yes.		
MS. HUHTA: And would you agree that the		
initial draft of the LAR, PEF agreed to that flat		
fee for Areva to provide the LAR 51 Document? PREMIER REPORTING		

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1	MR. COSTON: Yes.		
2	MS. HUHTA: So under Progress Energy and		
3	Areva's contract, Work Authorization 84, PEF agreed		
4	to pay Areva to produce the original Draft		
5	LAR Document?		
6	MR. COSTON: Yes.		
7	MS. HUHTA: Mr. Carpenter, do you disagree		
8	with Mr. Coston?		
9	MR. CARPENTER: Yeah, I would agree that		
10	was in the contract for LAR inputs.		
11	MS. HUHTA: For the LAR 51 Document?		
12	MR. CARPENTER: Correct.		
13	MS. HUHTA: Your understanding is that the		
14	original EPU LAR Draft Document was supposed to be		
15	modeled on NRC Guidelines RS-001 Review Standards		
16	for Extended Power Uprates and the Ginna LAR		
17	Document, correct?		
18	MR. COSTON: Yes, I agree they used the		
19	standards that you cited from the NRC as well as		
20	the Ginna LAR Document.		
21	MS. HUHTA: And Ginna is G-i-n-n-a.		
22	THE COURT REPORTER: Thank you.		
23	MS. HUHTA: Mr. Coston, did you review PEF's		
24	rebuttal testimony from John Frank dated August 3rd		
25	of 2010 in the 2010 NCRC Docket?		

1 I'm not sure of the specific -- or I cannot 2 recall the specific amount. MS. HUHTA: I am showing you Exhibit JF-5 of 3 John Frank's March 1st, 2011 direct testimony in 4 the 2011 NCRC Docket. And if you look at the 5 6 second paragraph, would you agree that it states that PEF incurred 21,798 in internal labor costs 7 8 for EPU LAR Document development from January of 2009 to June 2009? 9 10 MR. COSTON: Yes. MS. HUHTA: Mr. Carpenter, would you agree? 11 12 MR. CARPENTER: Yes. 13 MS. HUHTA: Mr. Coston, do you have any reason to disagree with this amount? 14 MR. COSTON: No. 15 MS. HUHTA: Mr. Carpenter? 16 17 MR. CARPENTER: No. MS. HUHTA: So Progress Energy incurred 18 , which would be plus 110,261, plus 19 21,798 to produce the LAR Document that was 20 submitted to the Expert Panel in June, July 2009. 21 22 You don't have any reason to dispute that amount, 23 do you? 24 MR. COSTON: I agree those were the amounts presented for those particular work schedules. 25

MS. HUHTA: Do you have any reason to dispute 1 that amount? 2 3 MR. COSTON: No. MS. HUHTA: So Progress Energy Florida 4 incurred the cost of proximately, to produce 5 the EPU LAR draft document that the Expert Panel 6 found in June, July 2009 did not meet the NRC 7 Acceptance Review Requirements at that time; is 8 9 that right? MR. COSTON: Just a point or to clarify, if I 10 may. On the document that had the 21,000, may I 11 see that again? 12 MS. HUHTA: Yes. I have a copy of just the 13 exhibit, which might be easier to handle. My 14 15 apologies. MR. COSTON: I want to make sure I got the 16 right numbers. I want to make sure I'm clear on 17 18 it. I cannot tell from this -- I'm looking here 19 20 just to confirm -- that the augmented labor, the 21,000 includes any engineering costs, any other 21 preparation costs that may be included in that. 22 I'm not sure if those numbers are included in that 23 21,000. 24 MS. HUHTA: So your position is, is you're not 25

sure what would be included in the 21,000 of PEF Company and augmented labor and expenses from 2 January of 2009 to June 2009? 3 MR. COSTON: Correct, that those include work 4 outside of the preparation team. 5 MS. HUHTA: What else do you think may be 6 included in that? 7 MR. COSTON: Not included, what makes up that 8 as far as if there's any engineering, any work, any 9 other team members outside of it, I'm not sure if 10 that number includes the services that may have 11 been completed by those individuals for the 12 preparation of the LAR. 13 MS. HUHTA: So if I understand you correctly, 14 your position is that -- you have no reason to 15 dispute the 21,000 is for company labor for LAR 16 document development; however, you're uncertain if 17 there was other company labor for additional 18 engineering and things that would have gone into 19 LAR document preparation? 20 MR. COSTON: Correct. 21 MS. HUHTA: As far as LAR document 22 preparation, meaning the preparation of the Draft 23 LAR Document, we agreed that in Work 24 Authorization 84 there was a line item of 25

the original LAR Document submitted in June, 1 2 July 2009 to the Expert Panel, to the LAR Document 3 that was submitted to the Expert Panel in March of 2010 required more work, correct? 4 MR. COSTON: Yes. 5 MS. HUHTA: You would agree that the cost 6 incurred from June, July 2009 EPU LAR Draft to the 7 March 2010 LAR Document Draft was money spent by 8 9 PEF on Areva and internal labor and project management costs? 10 MR. COSTON: Did you list an amount there? 11 I'm sorry. You just said the money -- may I have 12 you repeat the question? 13 MS. HUHTA: Certainly. You would agree that 14 the cost incurred going from the June, July 2009 15 16 EPU LAR Draft to the March 2010 EPU LAR Draft Document was money spent by PEF on Areva and 17 internal labor and project management costs? 18 MR. COSTON: An additional cost range may have 19 been incurred as well but, yes, I would agree with 20 that statement. 21 22 MS. HUHTA: Okay. And you would agree that the Areva cost is the the in Change Order 23 23, correct? 24 MR. COSTON: Yes. 25

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DOCUMENT	PAGE/LINE	JUSTIFICATION
July 21, 2011 Deposition	Page 19, Line 8, third and	§366.093(3)(d), Fla. Stat.
Transcript of William "Tripp"	fourth words; Page 20, Line	The document in question
Coston and Kevin Carpenter	23, first two words; Page 26,	contains confidential
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	end, Line 20, second word	disclosure of which would
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	25, last word; Page 77, Line	The document portions in
	23, sixth and seventh words	question contain confidential
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