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April 23, 2012

STAFF'S FIRST DATA REQUEST

Ms. Beth Keating Gunster Law Firm 215 South Monroe Street Suite 601 Tallahassee FL 32301-1804

Re: Docket No. 120069-EQ - Petition for approval of revisions to renewable energy tariff, by Florida Public Utilities Company.

Dear Ms. Keating:

By this letter, the Commission staff requests that Florida Public Utilities Company provide responses to the following data requests.

- 1. Please complete the tables below describing payments to a renewable provider based on the proposed tariffs included in FPUC's revised standard offer contract for the Northeast Division. Please assume the renewable generator is a 50 MW facility providing firm capacity at the minimum capacity factor required for full capacity payments. Additionally, please assume an in-service date of January 1, 2013 and a contract duration of 20 years. Please provide this information for the following scenarios where applicable:
 - Normal Payments
 - Levelized Payments
 - Early Payments
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Capacity Factor (%)	
Payment Type:	

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- 3. On June 21, 2011, the Commission issued PAA Order PSC-11-0269-PAA-EI, approving FPUC's petition for Amendment No. 1 to purchased power contract for generation service between FPUC and Gulf Power Company in Docket No. 110041-EI. The Order states in part that, "the proposed Amendment eliminates the ratchet provision and reduces the minimum capacity purchase quantity." On page 2 of FPUC's petition for Approval of revisions to its Renewable Energy Tariff, FPUC states that, "the current electric power purchase agreement between FPUC and Gulf Power... contains a so-called "ratchet" provision based upon prior demand levels."
 - a. Please explain why the "ratchet" provision has not been removed from the Renewable Energy Tariff, as indicated in Order PSC-11-0269-PAA-EI, approving FPUC's Amendment No. 1.
 - b. Would the removal of the "ratchet" provision change the payments of the proposed Renewable Energy Tariff? If so, please include these changed values.

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Please file the original and five copies of the requested information by Monday, May 7, 2012, with Ms. Ann Cole, Commission Clerk, Office of Commission Clerk, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida, 32399-0850. Please feel free to call me at (850) 413-6183 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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cc: Office of Commission Clerk