

Witness: **Direct Testimony of SIMON O. OJADA**, Appearing on Behalf of the Staff of the Florida Public Service Commission

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1		BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
2		COMMISSION STAFF
3		DIRECT TESTIMONY OF SIMON O. OJADA
4		DOCKET NO. 140001-EI
5		September 12, 2014
6	Q.	Please state your name and business address.
7	A.	My name is Simon O. Ojada. My business address is 4950 West Kennedy Blvd., Suite
8	310, 7	Campa, Florida 33609.
9	Q.	By whom are you presently employed and in what capacity?
10	A.	I am employed by the Florida Public Service Commission as a Public Utility Analyst I
11	in the Office of Auditing and Performance Analysis.	
12	Q.	How long have you been employed by the Commission?
13	A.	I have been employed by the Florida Public Service Commission since April 1997.
14	Q.	Briefly review your educational and professional background.
15	A.	I received a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of South Florida with a
16	major	in Finance in 1991, a Bachelor of Science Degree from Florida Metropolitan University
17	with	a major in Accounting in 1994, and a Master of Business Administration with a
18	conce	ntration in Accounting in 1997.
19	Q.	Please describe your current responsibilities.
20	A.	My responsibilities consist of planning and conducting utility audits of manual and
21	automated accounting systems for historical and forecasted data.	
22	Q.	Have you previously presented testimony before this Commission?
23	A.	Yes. I filed testimony in the Fuel and Purchased Power Recovery Clause, Docket No
24	130001-EI.	
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Q. What is the purpose of your testimony today?

- 2 A. The purpose of my testimony is to sponsor the staff audit report of Duke Energy
- 3 | Florida, Inc. (DEF or Utility) which addresses the filing in Docket No. 140001-EI Fuel and
- 4 purchased power cost recovery clause for costs associated with its hedging activities. We
- 5 issued an audit report in this docket for the hedging activities on September 8, 2014. This
- 6 audit report is filed with my testimony and is identified as Exhibit SOO-1.
- 7 Q. Was this audit prepared by you or under your direction?
- 8 A. Yes, it was prepared under my direction.
 - Q. Please describe the work performed in this audit.
- 10 A. I have separated the audit work into several categories.

Accounting Treatment

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- 12 I reviewed DEF's supporting detail of the hedging settlements for the twelve months
- 13 ended July 31, 2014. I verified the monthly balances of hedging transactions from DEF's
- 14 | Hedging Results Report for the period August 1, 2013, to December 30, 2013, and its Hedging
- 15 Information Report for the period January 1, 2014 to July 31, 2014 to its Hedging Summary
- 16 by Commodity Reports for 2013 and 2014 to the general ledger. No exceptions were noted.

17 Gains and Losses

- 18 I selected 21 natural gas and two No. 2 oil hedging transactions from August 2013
- 19 through July 2014 as a sample. I reconciled the selected samples from the Hedging Results
- and Hedging information Reports to the third-party confirmation notices and contracts. I
- 21 | reconciled the gains and losses to the Utility's journal entries. I compared the price on the
- 22 | confirmation notice to the price published by the NYMEX Henry Hub gas futures contract
- 23 rates. No exceptions were noted.
- 24 Hedged Volume and Limits
- 25 I obtained and reviewed DEF's Risk Management Plan. I reviewed the quantity

limits and authorizations for all hedged fuel types. No exceptions were noted. Separation of Duties I reviewed DEF's written procedures for separation of duties related to hedging activities. I reviewed the DEF's Audit Services Department evaluations and reports for the twelve months ending December 31, 2013. No exceptions were noted. Q. Please review the audit findings in this audit report. There were no findings in this audit related to hedging activities. A. Does this conclude your testimony? Q. A. Yes.

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Auditor's Report

Duke Energy Florida, Inc. Hedging Activities

Twelve Months Ended July 31, 2014

Docket No. 140001-EI Audit Control No. 14-083-2-1

August 25, 2014

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Purpose

To: Florida Public Service Commission

We performed the procedures described later in this report to meet the agreed-upon objectives set forth by the Division of Accounting and Finance in its audit service request dated March 20, 2014. We applied these procedures to the schedules prepared by Duke Energy Florida, Inc. in support of its filing for hedging activities in Docket No. 140001-EI for the twelve months ended July 31, 2014.

This audit was performed following General Standards and Fieldwork Standards found in the AICPA Statements on Standards for Attestation Engagements. Our report is based on agreed-upon procedures. The report is intended only for internal Commission use.

Objectives and Procedures

General

Definition

DEF or Utility refers to Duke Energy Florida, Inc.

Accounting Treatment

Objective: The objective was to determine whether the accounting treatment for futures, options, and swap contracts between DEF and its counterparties is consistent with Commission Order No. PSC-02-1484-FOF-EI, issued October 30, 2002, in Docket No. 011605-EI, and as clarified by Order No. PSC-08-0316-PAA-EI, issued May 14, 2008, and Order No. PSC-08-0667-PAA-EI, issued October 8, 2008, in Docket No. 080001-EI.

Procedures: We obtained DEF's supporting detail of the hedging settlements for the twelve months ended July 31, 2014. The support documentation was reconciled to the general ledger transaction detail. We verified that the hedging settlements were in compliance with the Risk Management Plan and that the accounting treatment for hedging transactions and transaction costs is consistent with Commission orders relating to hedging activities. No exceptions were noted.

Gains and Losses

Objective: The objective was to determine whether the gains and losses associated with each financial hedging instrument that DEF implemented are in compliance with Commission Order Numbers: PSC-02-1484-FOF-EI, PSC-08-0316-PAA-EI, and PSC-08-0667-PAA-EI, relating to hedging activities.

Procedures: We reconciled the monthly balances of hedging transactions from DEF's Hedging Results Report for the period August 1, 2013, to December 30, 2013, and its Hedging Information Report for the period January 1, 2014, to July 31, 2014, to its Hedging Summary by Commodity Reports for 2013 and 2014. We reviewed existing tolling agreements whereby the Utility's natural gas is provided to generators under purchased power agreements. We selected 21 natural gas and two No. 2 Oil hedging transactions from August 2013 through July 2014 as a sample. We reconciled the selected samples from the Hedging Results and Hedging Information Reports to the third-party confirmation notices and contracts. We reconciled the gains and losses to the Utility's journal entries. We compared the price on the confirmation notice to the price published by the NYMEX Henry Hub gas futures contract rates. No exceptions were noted.

Hedged Volume and Limits

Objective: The objective was to determine whether the quantities of natural gas, residual fuel oil, and purchased power are hedged within the limits (percentage range), as listed in the Utility's Risk Management Plan.

Procedures: We reviewed the quantity limits and authorizations for all hedged fuel types. We obtained DEF's analysis of the monthly percent of fuel hedged in relation to fuel burned for the twelve months ended July 31, 2014, and compared them with the Utility's Risk Management Plan. No exceptions were noted.

Separation of Duties

Objectives: The objectives were to review DEF's procedures for separating duties related to hedging activities for Front Office, Middle Office, and Back Office, and the internal auditors' work papers.

Procedures: We reviewed the Utility's procedures for separating duties related to hedging activities. We reviewed the Utility Audit Services Department's evaluations for the twelve months ending December 31, 2013 for the Regulated Fuels Inventory Management Process and the Regulated Trading Cycle. No exceptions were noted.

Audit Findings

None

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Fuel and purchased power cost recovery | DOCKET NO. 140001-EI clause with generating performance incentive factor.

DATED: September 12, 2014

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the testimony of SIMON O. OJADA on behalf of the Florida Public Service Commission was filed with the Office of Commission Clerk, Florida Public Service Commission, and copies were furnished to the following, by electronic mail, on this 12th day of September, 2014.

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