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#### -VIA ELECTRONIC FILING-

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**RE: Docket No.: 20160251-EI** 

Petition by Florida Power & Light Company for Approval of Final/Actual Storm Restoration Costs, Associated True-Up Process Related to Hurricane Matthew, and the related testimony and exhibits of Manuel Miranda, Kim Ousdahl, Eduardo Devarona, and Tiffany Cohen which support the petition

Dear Ms Stauffer

Please find enclosed for electronic filing a copy of Florida Power & Light Company's Petition for Approval of Final/Actual Storm Restoration Costs, Associated True-Up Process Related to Hurricane Matthew, and the related testimony and exhibits of Manuel Miranda, Kim Ousdahl, Eduardo Devarona, and Tiffany Cohen which support the petition in the above mentioned docket.

If there are any questions regarding this transmittal, please contact me at (561) 304-5170.

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Enclosure

#### BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition by Florida Power & Light Company for Limited Proceeding for Recovery of Incremental Storm Restoration Costs Related to Hurricane Matthew Docket No. 20160251-EI

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# PETITION BY FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF FINAL/ACTUAL STORM RESTORATION COSTS AND ASSOCIATED TRUE-UP PROCESS RELATED TO HURRICANE MATTHEW

Florida Power & Light Company ("FPL" or the "Company"), pursuant to Section 366.076(1), Florida Statutes (2017), Rules 25-6.0143 and 25-6.0431, Florida Administrative Code ("F.A.C."), Order Nos. PSC-2017-0055-PCO-EI and PSC-2017-0269-FOF-EI, and the Revised Stipulation and Settlement approved by the Florida Public Service Commission ("Commission") in Order No. PSC-2013-0023-S-EI¹ (the "2012 Stipulation and Settlement"), hereby files this petition (the "Petition") requesting approval of the final/actual Recoverable Storm Amount of \$316.7 million (as reduced by Exhibit KO-2) and the process for determining and implementing true-up rates once the final/actual Recoverable Storm Amount and final/actual revenues collected under the 2017 Interim Storm Charge are known. In support of this Petition, FPL states as follows:

### **INTRODUCTION**

1. FPL is an investor-owned utility with headquarters at 700 Universe Boulevard, Juno Beach, Florida 33408, operating under the jurisdiction of the Commission pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 366, Florida Statutes. FPL provides generation, transmission, and distribution service to more than 4.9 million retail customer accounts.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Docket No. 20120015-EI, issued on January 14, 2013.

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- 3. The Commission has jurisdiction pursuant to Sections 366.04, 366.05, 366.06 and 366.076, Florida Statutes, and Rules 25-6.0143 and 25-6.0431, F.A.C.
- 4. This Petition is being filed consistent with Rule 28-106.201, F.A.C. The agency affected is the Commission, located at 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399. This case does not involve reversal or modification of an agency decision or an agency's proposed action. Therefore, subparagraph (c) and portions of subparagraphs (b), (e), (f) and (g) of subsection (2) of that rule are not applicable to this Petition. In compliance with subparagraph (d), FPL states that it is not known which, if any, of the issues of material fact set forth in the body of this Petition, or the supporting testimony and exhibits, may be disputed by any others who may plan to participate in this proceeding.

#### **BACKGROUND AND OVERVIEW**

- 5. On December 29, 2016, FPL filed a petition for a limited proceeding, initially to approve a 2017 Interim Storm Charge that would apply to customer bills for a twelve-month period commencing March 1, 2017 and that was intended to collect \$318.5 million from customers as the Recoverable Storm Amount related to Hurricane Matthew. By Order No. PSC-2017-0055-PCO-EI, issued February 20, 2017, the Commission approved FPL's proposed 2017 Interim Storm Charge. The order went on to provide on page 5 that "this docket shall remain open pending final reconciliation of actual recoverable Hurricane Matthew storm costs with the amount collected pursuant to the 2017 Interim Storm Restoration Recovery Charge, and the calculation of a refund or additional charge, if warranted."
- 6. Pursuant to the Commission's Order Establishing Procedure, PSC-2017-0269-FOF-EI, FPL is filing with this Petition the pre-filed testimony and exhibits of FPL witnesses Manuel Miranda, Kim Ousdahl, Eduardo Devarona, and Tiffany Cohen which: 1) document that the final/actual Recoverable Storm Amount is \$316.7 million (as reduced by Exhibit KO-2); 2) demonstrate that those costs were prudently incurred; 3) demonstrate that FPL accounted for these costs in accordance with the Incremental Cost and Capitalization Approach ("ICCA") in Rule 25-6.0143, F.A.C.; and 4) propose a process for determining a one-time true-up to be applied to customer bills once the approved Recoverable Storm Amount and actual revenues collected pursuant to the 2017 Interim Storm Charge are known.

### FPL'S HURRICANE MATTHEW STORM RESTORATION PROCESS

7. With a massive Category 4 hurricane heading towards FPL's heavily populated service territory, FPL began emergency plans to prepare for the storm on October 2, 2016. This preparation involved pre-staging storm resources at numerous staging sites from Daytona Beach

in the north, to Sarasota in the west, and Miami-Dade County in the south. FPL utilized approximately 14,600 personnel made up of FPL employees, contractors, and mutual aid resources to perform storm restoration activities. FPL witness Miranda's pre-filed direct testimony provides an overview of the storm-related preparedness plans and processes utilized during Hurricane Matthew. He also provides details of the Transmission and Distribution ("T&D") restoration work and costs incurred as a result of the storm impacting nearly all (34 out of 35) counties in FPL's service territory. As a result of FPL's storm restoration efforts, the Company was able to restore service to approximately 99% of the nearly 1.2 million customers whose service was interrupted by the end of the second day following the storm.

8. FPL witness Devarona's pre-filed direct testimony provides an overview of FPL's non-T&D business units' storm preparation and restoration activities related to Hurricane Matthew. FPL's nuclear, customer service, general corporate administration, and power generation business units incurred costs necessary to the execution and success of FPL's storm response. These costs are related to preparing FPL's non-T&D facilities for the extreme weather brought about by Hurricane Matthew and repairing those facilities post-storm. These non-T&D storm related activities and costs were a reasonable and prudent part of FPL's overall Hurricane Matthew response.

#### FPL'S STORM ACCOUNTING PROCESSES AND CONTROLS

9. As shown in FPL witness Ousdahl's pre-filed direct testimony, FPL's final/actual Recoverable Storm Amount of \$316.7 million was calculated in accordance with the ICCA methodology required by Rule 25-6.0143. FPL established unique internal orders by function, (*i.e.*, business unit) for the storm to aggregate the total amount of storm restoration costs incurred for recovery. FPL's accounting records thoroughly document the charges to FPL, as well as

FPL's payment of those charges, for all of the final/actual restoration costs for Hurricane Matthew.

10. Subsequent to September 30, 2017, the cut-off date of the final cost report filed on October 16, 2017, FPL has substantially completed its follow up work and returned unused materials to stores. At the completion of Hurricane Matthew restoration work, FPL estimates that there will be a reduction of approximately \$0.5 million to the total Retail Recoverable Costs shown on Exhibit KO-1. Because the restoration work is now substantially complete, FPL will record no further entries for Hurricane Matthew to the storm reserve after February 28, 2018. Therefore, at that time the actual amount of the reduction can be finalized. On or before March 15, 2018, FPL will make a supplemental filing of an exhibit designated as KO-2 that will be sponsored by FPL witness Ousdahl. Exhibit KO-2 will be in the same form as Exhibit KO-1 that is attached to FPL witness Ousdahl's testimony and will reflect the cost reduction.

### DETERMINATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF TRUE-UP

11. Billing of the 2017 Interim Storm Charge will conclude on February 28, 2018. On or before April 1, 2018, FPL will file a supplement to the pre-filed direct testimony of FPL witness Cohen that shows the total revenues collected under the 2017 Interim Storm Charge. Then, once the Commission has made its final determination of the Recoverable Storm Amount, FPL will compare that approved amount to the actual revenue received from the 2017 Interim Storm Charge, in order to determine any excess or shortfall in recovery. Interest will be applied to the variance, at the 30-day commercial paper rate as contemplated in Rule 25-6.109. Thereafter, FPL will make a compliance filing with the Commission that sets forth the calculation of the appropriate true-up rates to apply to customer bills for a one-month period in order to refund the excess or collect the shortfall. The true-up rates will be designed in a manner

that is consistent with the cost allocation used in the original 2017 Interim Storm Charge rates filed and approved in this docket. FPL will apply the true-up rates to customer bills starting on Cycle Day 1 of the first month that is more than 30 days after Commission approval.

### **CONCLUSION**

12. Wherefore, Florida Power & Light Company respectfully requests that the Commission (i) determine that FPL's Recoverable Storm Amount (\$316.7 million, as reduced by Exhibit KO-2) was prudently incurred; (ii) approve FPL's proposed process for determining final true-up rates described in order to refund the excess or collect the shortfall between the 2017 Interim Storm Charge revenues and the approved Recoverable Storm Amount; and (iii) authorize the Commission Staff to review and verify the final true-up rates contained in FPL's proposed compliance filing.

Respectfully submitted,

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3	DIRECT TESTIMONY OF MANUEL B. MIRANDA
4	DOCKET NO. 20160251-EI
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1		I. INTRODUCTION
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3	Q.	Please state your name and business address.
4	A.	My name is Manuel B. Miranda. My business address is Florida Power & Light
5		Company, 700 Universe Blvd., Juno Beach, Florida, 33408.
6	Q.	By whom are you employed and what is your position?
7	A.	I am employed by Florida Power & Light Company ("FPL" or the "Company") as
8		Senior Vice President of Power Delivery.
9	Q.	Please describe your duties and responsibilities in that position.
10	A.	As Senior Vice President of Power Delivery, I am responsible for the planning,
11		engineering, construction, operation, maintenance, and restoration of FPL's
12		transmission and distribution ("T&D") electric grid. During storm restoration
13		events, I assume the additional role of FPL's Area Commander. In this capacity, I
14		am responsible for the overall coordination of all restoration activities to ensure the
15		successful implementation of FPL's restoration strategy, which is to restore service
16		to our customers safely and as quickly as possible.
17	Q.	Please describe your educational background and professional experience.
18	A.	I have a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering from the University of
19		Miami and a Master in Business Administration from Nova Southeastern
20		University. I joined FPL in 1982 and have over 35 years of technical, managerial
21		and commercial experience gained from serving in a variety of positions within

held several vice president positions within Distribution and Transmission,

Customer Service, Distribution and Transmission. For more than 10 years, I have

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including my current position. For storm restoration events, I have served as FPL's Area Commander for the last five years. Additionally, for the last five years, I have served as a member on the National Response Executive Committee, a group that oversees a process designed to enhance the industry's ability to respond to national-level events by improving access and visibility to resources from all across the country.

### 7 Q. Are you sponsoring any exhibits in this case?

- 8 A. Yes. I am sponsoring the following exhibit:
- MBM-1 FPL's T&D Hurricane Matthew Restoration Costs

### 10 Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?

The purpose of my testimony is to provide an overview of FPL's emergency preparedness plans and processes. I will also provide details for the work and costs incurred by FPL's T&D organization in connection with Hurricane Matthew. Specifically, I will describe FPL's T&D response and restoration efforts, follow-up work activities necessary to restore FPL's facilities to their pre-storm condition and details on T&D storm restoration costs. Finally, I will discuss the factors contributing to FPL's overall successful performance in restoring service to those customers impacted by Hurricane Matthew. As a result, my testimony supports the reasonableness and prudence of the T&D storm restoration costs for which FPL is seeking approval.

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1	II.	FPL'S EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PLAN & RESTORATION
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4	Q.	What is the objective of FPL's emergency preparedness plan and restoration
5		process?
6	A.	Consistent with Florida Public Service Commission ("FPSC" or "Commission")
7		rules, industry practice, state and local governments' interests and the interests of
8		our customers, the primary objective of FPL's emergency preparedness plan and
9		restoration process is to safely restore critical infrastructure and the greatest
10		number of customers in the least amount of time. Achieving this objective requires
11		extensive planning, training, adherence to established storm restoration processes
12		and execution that can be scaled quickly to match each particular storm. To these
13		ends, FPL's emergency preparedness plan incorporates comprehensive annual
14		restoration process reviews and includes lessons learned, new technologies and
15		extensive training activities to ensure FPL's employees are well prepared.
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17		While FPL has processes in place (including actions taken prior to the storm event)
18		to manage and mitigate the costs of restoration, the objective of safely restoring
19		electric service as quickly as possible cannot, by definition, be pursued as a "least
20		cost" process. Said another way, restoration of electric service at the lowest
21		possible cost will not result in the most rapid restoration.
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1	Q.	What are the key components of FPL's emergency preparedness plan?
2	A.	FPL's emergency preparedness plan is the product of years of planning, study and
3		refinement based upon actual experience. Key components of this plan include:
4		• Disaster response policies and procedures;
5		• Adjustable internal organizational structures based on the required
6		response;
7		• Timeline of activities to assure rapid notification and response;
8		• Mutual assistance agreements and vendor contracts and commitments;
9		• Plans and logistics for the staging and movement of resources, personnel,
10		materials, and equipment to areas requiring service restoration;
11		• Communication and notification plans for employees, customers,
12		community leaders, emergency operating centers, and regulators;
13		• An established centralized command center with an organization for
14		command and control of emergency response forces;
15		• Checklists and conference call agendas to organize, plan, and report
16		situational status;
17		<ul> <li>Damage assessment modeling and reporting procedures;</li> </ul>
18		• Field and aerial patrols to assess damage;
19		• Comprehensive circuit patrols to gather vital information needed to identify
20		the resources required for effective restoration;
21		Systems necessary to support outage management procedures and customer
22		communications; and
23		<ul> <li>Comprehensive training activities and exercises to ensure readiness.</li> </ul>

This plan is comprehensive and well-suited for the purpose of facilitating prompt and effective responses to emergency conditions such as hurricanes to restore power as quickly as possible.

### Q. Does FPL regularly update its plan?

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Yes. Each year, prior to storm season, FPL reviews and updates its emergency preparedness plan. To ensure rapid restoration, key focus areas of this plan are staffing the storm organization, preparing logistics support, enhancing customer communication methods and ensuring that required computer telecommunication systems are in place. As part of this process, all business units within FPL identify personnel for staffing the emergency response organization. In many cases, employees assume roles different than their regular responsibilities. Training is conducted for thousands of storm personnel each year regardless of whether they are in a new role or a role in which they have served many times. This includes training on processes that range from analytical and clerical to reinforcing restoration processes for managers and directors.

### Q. What else does FPL do to prepare for each storm season?

In the logistics support area, preparations include: 1) increasing material inventory;
2) verifying (and, if necessary, adjusting) lodging arrangements; 3) establishing
staging sites (temporary work sites that are opened to serve as operation hubs for
Incident Management Teams to plan, coordinate and execute area restoration plans
and also provide parking, food, laundry service, medical care, hotel coordination,
and, if necessary, housing for large numbers of external and internal restoration
resources); and 4) verifying staging site plans and securing any necessary

agreements and contracts for these support services. These activities are important to ensure availability and delivery of these critical items on time and at a reasonable cost. All of this planning and preparation provides the foundation to begin any restoration effort.

### 5 Q. Does FPL regularly test its emergency preparedness plan?

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Yes. Each year, prior to the start of hurricane season, FPL tests its readiness during a hurricane "dry run" exercise. This event simulates a storm (or multiple storms) impacting FPL's service territory. The purpose is to provide a realistic, challenging scenario that causes the organization to react to situations and to practice functions not generally performed during normal operations. It is a full-scale exercise, executed with active participation by employees representing every business unit in the company. After months of preparation, the formal exercise activities begin 96 hours before the mock hurricane's forecasted date and time of impact. FPL's Command Center is fully mobilized and staffed. Field patrollers are required to complete simulated damage assessments that are then utilized by office staff to practice updating storm systems, acquiring resources, and developing estimated times of restoration. The exercise also includes simulating customer and other external communications as well as updating our outage management system and other storm-specific applications. Additionally, FPL conducts an annual full-scale staging site exercise to assess the readiness of staging site processes (e.g., communications, logistics, materials, and equipment). This training is conducted in the course of our ordinary approach to business and, as FPL witness Ousdahl describes, the costs of these activities are not charged to the storm reserve.

### Q. How does FPL respond when a storm threatens its territory?

FPL responds by taking well-tested actions at specified intervals prior to a storm's impacts. When a storm is developing in the Atlantic Ocean or Gulf of Mexico, our staff meteorologist continuously monitors conditions and various departments throughout the company initiate preliminary preparations for addressing internal and external resource requirements, logistics needs, and system operation conditions.

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At 96 to 72 hours prior to the projected impact to FPL's system, FPL activities include: activating the FPL Command Center; alerting all storm personnel; forecasting resource requirements; developing initial restoration plans; activating contingency resources; and identifying available resources from mutual assistance utilities. In addition, all FPL sites begin to prepare their facilities for the impact of the storm.

At 72 to 48 hours, computer models are run based on the projected intensity and path of the storm to forecast expected damage, restoration workload and potential customer outages. Based on the modeled results, commitments are confirmed for restoration personnel, materials, and logistics support. Staging site locations are then identified and confirmed based on the storm's expected path. Communications lines are ordered for the staging sites and satellite communications are expanded to improve communications efforts. External resources are activated and begin moving toward the expected damage areas in our

service territory and internal personnel may also be moved to be closer to the expected damage.

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At 24 hours, the focus turns to pre-positioning personnel and supplies to begin restoration as soon as it is safe to do so. As the path and strength of the storm changes, FPL continuously re-runs damage models and adjusts plans accordingly. Also, FPL contacts community leaders and County Emergency Operations Centers ("EOCs") for coordination and to review and reinforce FPL's restoration plans. This outreach includes confirming the assignment of FPL personnel to the County EOCs for the remainder of the storm and identifying restoration personnel to assist with road clearing and search-and-rescue efforts. FPL also has personnel assigned to the State EOC to support coordination and satisfy information needs. Throughout the process, FPL also provides critical information (e.g., public safety messages, storm preparation tips and guidance if an outage occurs) to the news media, customers and community leaders.

# Q. Has FPL had previous opportunities to execute its emergency preparedness plan and overall restoration process?

Yes. Since Hurricane Andrew made landfall in 1992, FPL has experienced a number of events which have provided opportunities to execute and refine our storm plans. This includes the 2004 and 2005 storm seasons, when seven storms impacted FPL's service territory, five of which required full-scale implementation of our restoration processes. Also, in September 2016, FPL was required to

1		implement its full-scale emergency preparedness plan and restoration process when
2		a portion of its service territory was impacted by Hurricane Hermine.
3	Q.	Since the 2004 and 2005 storm seasons, has FPL implemented improvements
4		to its emergency preparedness plans and restoration process based on its
5		experience?
6	A.	Yes. Consistent with its culture of continuous improvement, FPL has implemented
7		multiple enhancements to its processes based upon its experience with the 2004-
8		2005 hurricanes as well as more recent storms experienced by FPL and other
9		utilities (including, significantly, Superstorm Sandy). I will discuss these later in
10		my testimony.
11	Q.	How does FPL ensure the emergency preparedness plan and restoration
12		process are consistently followed for any given storm experience?
13	A.	Significant standardization in field operations has been institutionalized including:
14		work-site organization; work preparation and prioritization; and damage
15		assessment. For external crew personnel, FPL provides an orientation that includes
16		safety rules, work practices and engineering standards. For external personnel
17		providing patrol and management assistance, training is provided to explain their
18		duties as well as FPL processes and procedures. Also, procedures to ensure rapid
19		preparation and mobilization of remote staging sites have been developed to allow
20		us to establish these sites in the most heavily damaged areas.
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22		Storm plan requirements are documented in a variety of media including manuals,
23		on-line procedures, checklists, job aids, process maps, and detailed instructions.

System data is continuously monitored and analyzed throughout the storm. FPL conducts multiple daily conference calls, utilizing structured checklists and agendas, with FPL Command Center leadership to confirm process discipline, discuss overall progress and identify issues that can be resolved quickly because leaders from all FPL business units participate. Twice-daily conference calls are also held with all field restoration and logistics locations, again to provide a mechanism to ensure critical activities are performed as planned and timely communications occur at all levels throughout the organization. organization within FPL conducts its own daily conference call(s) to ensure plans are executed appropriately and issues are being resolved expeditiously. Overall monitoring and performance management of field operations are performed through the FPL Command Center. In addition, FPL Command Center personnel routinely conduct field visits once restoration has begun to validate restoration process discipline and application, assess progress at remote work sites and identify any adjustments that may be required.

### Q. How does FPL assess its workload requirements?

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There are a variety of factors that impact restoration workload. In each storm, FPL utilizes its damage forecast model to predict the expected damage and hours of work to restore service. These estimates are based on the location of FPL facilities, the storm's projected path, and the effects of varying wind strengths on the electric infrastructure. These workload projections are matched with resource factors such as availability and location, and FPL's capacity to efficiently and safely manage and support available resources. As soon as the storm passes, certain employees

are tasked with driving predetermined routes to survey damage. Additionally, FPL utilizes damage assessments obtained through aerial and field patrols and customer outage information contained in FPL's outage management system.

### Q. How does FPL begin to acquire resources?

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Normally, 96 to 72 hours prior to expected storm impact, FPL begins to contact selected contractors to assess their availability. Additionally, as a member of the Southeastern Electric Exchange ("SEE") and Edison Electric Institute ("EEI"), FPL begins to utilize the formalized industry processes to request mutual assistance resources. At 72 to 48 hours, depending on the storm track certainty and forecasted intensity, FPL may begin to financially commit to acquire necessary resources and request that travel to and within Florida commence. Resource needs are continually reviewed and adjusted, if necessary, based on the storm's path, intensity fluctuations, and corresponding damage model results.

# 14 Q. Please provide detail on how FPL acquires additional resources.

As previously mentioned, an important component of each restoration effort is FPL's ability to scale up its resources to match the increased volume of workload. This includes acquiring external contractors and mutual assistance from other utilities. FPL is a participating member of the SEE Mutual Assistance Group. While this group is a non-binding entity, it provides FPL and other members with guidelines on how to request assistance from a group of approximately 50 utilities, primarily located in the southern and eastern United States. The guidelines require reimbursement for direct costs of payroll and other expenses, including roundtrip travel costs, when providing mutual aid in times of emergency. In addition, FPL

participates with EEI and the National Response Event organization to gain access to other utilities and has requested assistance from those companies based on similar mutual assistance agreements. Resource requests may include line crews, tree trimming crews, patrol personnel, crew supervisors, material-handling personnel and, in some cases, logistics support.

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FPL also has a number of contractual agreements with power line and vegetation contractors throughout the U.S. Many of these agreements are with contractors that FPL utilizes during normal operations. Depending on the severity of the storm and our resource needs, a large number of additional line and vegetation companies may be contracted to provide additional support pending their release from the utilities for which they normally work. If these additional power line and vegetation contractors are needed, FPL negotiates rates with the new contractors on an as-needed basis prior to the commencement of work.

# Q. How does FPL take cost into account when acquiring resources for storm restoration?

As indicated earlier, while rapid restoration (the primary restoration objective) does not permit the least overall cost for restoration, FPL is always mindful of costs when acquiring resources. For example, prior to storm season, FPL's storm preparation process includes negotiating contracts with vendors, which include line contractors, tree trimming contractors, logistics, environmental and salvage contractors. For line and tree contractors, we endeavor to acquire resources based on a low-to-high cost ranking and release these same resources in reverse cost

order. FPL also considers travel distance when procuring storm restoration resources as longer distances require increased drive times and can result in higher costs. Final contractor and mutual-aid resource decisions take into consideration the number, availability, relative labor costs and travel distances of required resources. This information is then evaluated relative to the expected time to restore customers.

# 7 Q. Describe FPL's plan for the deployment and management of the incoming 8 external resources.

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The deployment and movement of resources are coordinated through the FPL Command Center, utilizing personnel tracking and outage management systems to monitor execution of the plan. Daily management of the crews is performed by the field operations organization, which is responsible for executing FPL's restoration strategy. Decisions on opening staging sites to position the restoration workforce in impacted areas are based primarily on the arrival time(s) of external resources. Daily analysis of workload execution and restoration progress permits dynamic resource management. This enables a high degree of flexibility and mobility in allocating and deploying resources in response to changing conditions and requirements. Another critical factor is FPL's ability to assemble trained and experienced management teams to direct field activities. As part of the storm organization, management teams include Incident Commanders and crew supervisors to directly oversee field work.

### Q. What controls are in place for the acquisition of resources?

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- A. FPL has centralized all external resource acquisition within the FPL Command

  Center organization. This organization approves resource acquisition targets,

  which are continually monitored by the Planning Section Chief, who reports to me
- 5 and keeps me informed during the entire restoration process.

# 6 Q. What processes and controls are in place to ensure the proper accounting of 7 the work performed by these resources and their time?

A. These external resources are assigned to an FPL Storm Production Lead when they arrive at their designated staging site. The Storm Production Lead is responsible for verifying crew rosters as FPL accepts these resources on to its system. The Storm Production Lead also reviews and approves daily timesheets to ensure that time and personnel counts are recorded accurately. The timesheets are then provided to the Finance Section Chief (whose role and responsibilities are described in FPL witness Ousdahl's testimony). These timesheets are sent to FPL's contractor payment center, where they are used to verify invoices received from the contracted companies.

# 17 Q. What logistics and support personnel and activities are required?

Various logistics functions are required to support the overall restoration effort and the potentially thousands of workers involved. These functions include, but are not limited to, acquisition, preparation and coordination of: staging sites, environmental services, salvage, lodging, laundry, buses, caterers, ice and water, office trailers, light towers, generators, portable toilets, security guards, communications, and fuel delivery. Agreements with primary vendors are also in

place prior to the storm season as part of FPL's comprehensive storm-planning process. FPL personnel from all parts of the company meet additional logistics staffing needs. Most of these employees are pre-identified, trained and assigned to provide site logistics management and support other restoration workforce needs. FPL contracts for additional logistics resources for larger restoration efforts that exceed internal logistics support capabilities.

# Q. What controls ensure that necessary items are procured and appropriately accounted for?

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In addition to the procurement of external resources, which has been previously discussed, FPL's logistics organization is responsible for overseeing and coordinating the procurement of resources required at our staging sites. Staging sites serve as the major hubs for resources involved in daily restoration activities. Utilizing experience from previous storms, specific staging-site resource requirements (e.g., a site's footprint, tents, meals, water, ice, buses, hotel requirements, etc.) have been pre-determined. The Logistics Section Chief and logistics team ensures that each staging site's resource requirements are initially procured and received. The resource requirements and needs of each site are monitored, assessed and determined daily through coordination between the specific site management and the logistics team. The Finance Section Chief also provides guidance and assistance to help ensure active, real time financial controls are in effect and adhered to during the restoration event. These well-established and previously tested processes and controls that FPL has implemented have proven to be appropriate and effective.

#### III. **HURRICANE MATTHEW**

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3	Q.	Please provide an overview of Hurricane Matthew and how it impacted FPL's
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On September 28, 2016, nearly a week after emerging from the African coast, a tropical system became a tropical storm that the National Hurricane Center named Matthew. After reaching hurricane status on September 29, Hurricane Matthew rapidly strengthened and achieved Category 5 intensity on September 30. Hurricane Matthew made landfall on October 4 both in Haiti and Cuba before temporarily weakening to a Category 3 storm. However, it regained Category 4 intensity as it moved away from Cuba. On October 6, Hurricane Matthew made landfall, for the third time, as a Category 4 storm at Grand Bahama Island, which is only about 75 miles due east of Palm Beach County, Florida.

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Throughout the week-long period when Hurricane Matthew was ravaging the Caribbean, forecasts of its track raised the likelihood that the storm would strike a large portion of FPL's service territory as a major (Category 3 or higher) hurricane. FPL, along with state and local emergency offices, prudently prepared for potentially devastating impacts. On October 6, less than 24 hours before Hurricane Matthew was forecast to impact Florida, the probability of a severe, direct landfall bringing 130-140 miles-per-hour winds to Palm Beach County and the Treasure Coast became likely. If this in fact occurred, there would be massive devastation to a large, heavily populated portion of FPL's service territory. Fortunately, the path of Hurricane Matthew moved slightly to the east as it passed over Grand Bahama Island and continued on a path that positioned the eye of the storm (and the worst of its winds) a few miles east of the Florida coastline.

Despite the last-minute favorable deviation in Hurricane Matthew's track, its winds, feeder bands, and storm surge seriously impacted major portions of FPL's service territory. Sustained winds associated with Hurricane Matthew were estimated to have reached nearly 80 miles per hour, with gusts exceeding 100 miles per hour along the Florida coastline. Hurricane-force winds were estimated to have reached up to approximately eight miles inland along portions of Florida's coastline, and tropical-storm force winds were estimated to have extended to about 40 miles inland. The impacts of Hurricane Matthew affected nearly all (34 out of 35 counties served) of FPL's service territory, with the counties along the east coast of the Florida peninsula, particularly those in the central and north regions of Florida, experiencing the highest winds and rainfall and the most damage.

#### IV. FPL'S RESPONSE

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Q. How did FPL initially respond to prepare for the potential impacts of Hurricane Matthew?

With a massive Category 4 hurricane potentially heading toward the most heavily populated portions of its service territory, FPL began early discussions and preparations on October 2, 2016. FPL activated its emergency response

organization and fully staffed its Command Center and initiated the cadence of daily planning and management meetings to ensure the efficient and timely execution of all pre-landfall checklists and preparation activities. Through these pre-landfall planning activities, FPL reasonably anticipated the consequences of a massive and potentially devastating storm and began to commit to resources to be available to support the anticipated restoration work. In fact, at that time, it was the largest pre-staging of storm resources in FPL's history. FPL began to open staging sites and pre-position resources from as far as Daytona Beach (north), Sarasota (west) and Miami-Dade County (south). However, as the path of Hurricane Matthew shifted to the east and continued to move northward just off Florida's east coast appropriate adjustments to FPL's restoration plans were made.

### Q. How did FPL respond to the impacts of Hurricane Matthew?

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While Florida, FPL and its customers were spared the worst of Hurricane Matthew's effects, the storm's impacts and its large footprint on FPL's service territory remained significant and widespread. In total, nearly 1.2 million customers located throughout FPL's entire service territory had their service interrupted. Significantly, FPL was able to quickly restore power (by the end of the second full day after Hurricane Matthew left the service territory) to approximately 99% of its customers affected by outages. Additionally, service was fully restored to all FPL customers within four days (excluding a relatively small subset of customers unable to accept service due to unsafe/uninhabitable conditions in their residence or business).

In total, FPL arranged for approximately 14,600 personnel (approximately 8,100 FPL employees and 6,500 contracted and external resources) and opened 22 staging sites to support the power restoration effort. In response to Hurricane Matthew, FPL replaced 165 miles of distribution conductor, more than 800 distribution transformers, and in excess of 500 FPL-owned distribution poles. Additionally, tree damage was extensive, requiring a significant amount of line-clearing work and the removal of fallen trees and tree branches. From a logistics perspective, on a daily basis there were nearly 22,000 gallons of water consumed, more than 54,000 pounds of ice used, nearly 33,000 meals served and more than 153,000 gallons of fuel provided to support restoration efforts.

FPL's effective pre-planning, well-tested and established restoration processes, together with the dedication and execution of its employees and contracted external resources, allowed us to achieve our goal of safely restoring critical infrastructure and the greatest number of customers in the least amount of time.

#### V. T&D RESTORATION COSTS

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### Q. What were the final Hurricane Matthew T&D restoration costs?

The final, total Hurricane Matthew T&D restoration costs were \$299.3 million, which includes \$9.3 million for follow-up work to restore FPL's T&D facilities to their pre-storm condition. Adjustments that reduce this figure to the T&D "Retail

Recoverable Costs" total amount of \$283.4 million are provided in FPL witness Ousdahl's testimony.

Exhibit MBM-1, FPL's T&D Hurricane Matthew Restoration Costs, contains a breakdown of these costs by function (i.e., Transmission and Distribution) and major cost category. The major cost categories contained in Exhibit MBM-1 include Regular and Overtime Payroll and Related Costs, Contractors, Vehicle and Fuel, Materials & Supplies, Logistics and Other.

As shown on Exhibit MBM-1, two of the major cost categories ("Contractors" and "Logistics") account for \$266.9 million, or 89% of Total T&D restoration costs. T&D "Contractors" costs account for \$185.5 million, or 62% of the Total T&D restoration costs, and include line contractors, mutual assistance utilities, FPL embedded contractors, line clearing/tree trimming contractors and other contractors (e.g., contractors performing overhead line patrols and environmental assessments) that supported FPL's service restoration efforts and follow-up work to restore facilities to their pre-storm condition. T&D "Logistics" costs totaled approximately \$81.4 million, or 27% of Total T&D restoration costs, and include costs associated with staging sites and other supporting facilities, such as those associated with lodging, meals, water, ice, laundry and buses.

The other five cost categories in Exhibit MBM-1 account for the remaining \$32.4 million or 11% of the Total T&D restoration costs. The majority of these costs,

\$17.0 million, are comprised of "Regular and Overtime Payroll & Related Costs" associated with FPL's T&D employees who directly supported Hurricane Matthew service restoration efforts and follow-up work. This includes FPL linemen, patrol and other field support personnel as well as T&D staff personnel. The remaining \$15.4 million includes the combined "Vehicle and Fuel," "Materials and Supplies" and "Other" major cost categories. "Vehicle and Fuel" covers FPL's vehicle and associated fuel costs, including costs for fuel that FPL supplied to line contractors, mutual assistance utilities and other contractors. "Materials & Supplies" includes costs associated with items such as wire, transformers and poles and other electrical equipment used to restore electric service for customers and repair and restore storm-impacted FPL facilities to their pre-storm condition. The "Other" category includes costs not previously captured, such as freight charges and other miscellaneous items.

### Q. Please describe the follow-up work required for T&D.

As previously discussed, the primary objective of FPL's emergency preparedness plan and restoration process is to safely restore critical infrastructure and the greatest number of customers in the least amount of time. At times, this means utilizing temporary fixes (e.g., bracing a cracked pole or cross arm) and/or delaying certain repairs (e.g., replacing lightning arrestors and repairing street lights) that are not required to restore service expeditiously. However, these conditions must be subsequently addressed during the restoration follow-up work phase, when facilities are restored to their pre-storm condition.

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Restoring FPL's T&D facilities to their pre-storm condition is generally a two-step process: (1) assessing/identifying the necessary follow-up work to be completed; and (2) executing the identified work. In total, FPL's costs for T&D follow-up work associated with Hurricane Matthew were \$9.3 million. While costs for T&Drelated follow-up work are spread among all the major costs categories, approximately \$9.0 million, or 97% of these costs, are associated with Contractors (\$6.0 million) and Materials and Supplies (\$3.0 million). The major drivers for these two major cost categories are associated with assessments (e.g., overhead line inspections, thermovision, street lights) to identify the necessary repairs/replacements to restore FPL's facilities to their pre-storm condition and the labor, equipment and materials required to address the identified work.

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### VI. EVALUATING FPL'S RESTORATION RESPONSE

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# Q. Would you consider FPL's Hurricane Matthew restoration plan and its execution to be effective?

Yes. As mentioned before, FPL's primary goal is to safely restore critical infrastructure and the greatest number of customers in the least amount of time so that FPL can return the communities we serve to normalcy. Hurricane Matthew's path and large footprint caused outages to approximately 1.2 million FPL customer accounts located in 34 of the 35 counties that FPL serves. These widespread outages brought unique restoration challenges (e.g., logistics and redeploying service restoration personnel). Fortunately, FPL and its contractors overcame those

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- The high percentage of restoration accomplished in the first two days after A. Hurricane Matthew exited FPL's service territory and the overall successful restoration effort resulted from several key factors:
  - Strong centralized command, solid plans and processes, and consistent application of FPL's overall restoration strategy (e.g., focusing first on restoring critical infrastructure and devices that serve the largest number of customers);
  - Utilization of FPL's damage-forecasting model, along with aerial patrols and ground assessments that allowed us to identify the number and location of needed resources;
  - Aggressive acquisition, pre-positioning and redeployment of restoration resources;
  - Robust outage management system functionality and real-time information, which allowed FPL to continually gauge restoration progress and make adjustments as changing conditions and requirements warranted;

1		• Strong alliances with vendors, which assured an ample, readily available
2		supply of materials; and
3		• Previous storm restoration experience, application of lessons learned,
4		process enhancements, regular practice and training, and employee skill and
5		commitment.
6	Q.	Please provide examples of key restoration plan/process enhancements that
7		FPL has implemented since the 2004 and 2005 storm seasons.
8	A.	As a result of FPL's experiences and lessons learned from the 2004/2005 storm
9		seasons, Superstorm Sandy (in the northeastern U.S.) and our annual restoration
10		training events, FPL has implemented multiple restoration plan/process
11		enhancements. Key enhancements that contributed to faster service restoration for
12		FPL customers include:
13		• Implementing a more aggressive and effective acquisition and re-
14		deployment of external resources e.g., committing to acquiring external
15		resources earlier and having them travel earlier and pre-staging them closer,
16		yet out of danger, to the areas expected to be affected by the approaching
17		storm to enable FPL to begin restoration work more quickly;
18		• Utilizing alternative lodging (e.g., mobile sleeper trailers and cots at staging
19		sites/FPL facilities) to eliminate travel time and increase restoration
20		productivity;
21		• Utilizing turnkey, all-inclusive suppliers at staging sites to increase the
22		speed and efficiency of staging site set-up, operations and site
23		dismantlement;

• Increasing physical fuel inventory and improving fuel delivery capabilities (both FPL and vendor-supplied resources), mitigating fuel issues experienced during the 2004/2005 storm seasons;

- Improving coordination with county EOCs, including pre-designating restoration personnel to assist with road-clearing efforts and ensuring key critical infrastructure facilities requiring restoration prioritization are identified, and establishing an online government portal that allows government officials to obtain the latest news releases and information on customer outages, estimated restoration times, FPL crew resources, outage maps, and other information. All of these enable EOCs to better serve their respective communities' needs;
- Adding advanced new tools, such as automated voice calls to customers, increased outreach and storm updates to broadcast media (radio and television), daily news briefings and embedded reporters at the FPL Command Center, to better communicate accurate, timely information to FPL customers;
- Increasing the utilization of advanced technology, such as using smart grid
  technology, drones and mobile devices to facilitate damage assessments and
  deploying FPL's Mobile Command Centers and Community Response
  Vehicles (high-tech remote command posts and communication hubs that
  quickly relay crucial information, decisions and logistical needs to/from
  FPL's Command Center) to impacted areas to provide better, faster and
  more efficient support;

• Retaining a robust list of staging sites at multiple locations throughout the state and maintaining contact with site owners to ensure the properties' availability and use; and

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 Pre-provisioning select key staging site locations for faster set-up and activation, which has enabled rapid activation of these sites to support restoration work.

# Q. Did FPL receive national recognition for its overall restoration performanceduring Hurricane Matthew?

Yes. In January 2017, the EEI, a national association of investor-owned utilities, awarded its Emergency Recovery Award to FPL for its efforts and response during Hurricane Matthew. EEI's Emergency Recovery Award recognizes its U.S. and international members for outstanding efforts to restore service promptly following storms or natural disasters. Winners are chosen by a panel of judges based on a company's ability to respond to a crisis swiftly and efficiently, overcome difficult circumstances, utilize unique or innovative recovery techniques, communicate effectively with customers and restore service promptly.

# Q. What are your conclusions regarding FPL's Hurricane Matthew restoration efforts?

FPL's restoration performance was excellent and significantly faster than it was during the 2004 and 2005 storm seasons. Our commitment to continuous improvement was instrumental in achieving this excellent performance. For example, process improvement implemented since 2005 included: pre-staging the greatest number of resources in FPL's history; increasing the use of technology

(e.g., Mobile Command Centers, drones, and smart meters) and providing new and improved communications (e.g., the use of social media like Facebook and Twitter) to our customers and other stakeholders. These improvements provided significant benefits and contributed to the ultimate and remarkable achievement of restoring service - within two days - to 99% of our customers that experienced an outage. As I noted previously, storm restoration is not an exact or precise science and there are always opportunities for improvement and at FPL we strive to learn from each experience. In fact, we have already incorporated lessons learned from Hurricane Matthew. However, overall, I believe the entire restoration team, which included FPL employees, contractors and mutual assistance utilities personnel, performed extremely well. This allowed FPL to meet our overarching objective to safely restore critical infrastructure and the greatest number of customers in the least amount of time. Storm restoration is a dynamic and challenging process that tests the fortitude of each person involved. I am exceptionally proud and extremely grateful to have been associated with such a committed and dedicated restoration team.

#### 17 Q. Does this conclude your direct testimony?

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### FPL's T&D Hurricane Matthew Restoration Costs

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Major Cost Category	<u>Tran</u>	smission	<u>Di</u> s	stribution	<u>To</u>	otal T&D	% of Total <u>T&amp;D</u>
Regular Payroll & Related Costs	\$	446	\$	5,170	\$	5,616	2%
Overtime Payroll & Related Costs		654		10,761		11,415	4%
Contractors*		1,493		184,057		185,550	62%
Vehicle & Fuel		145		4,820		4,965	2%
Materials & Supplies		249		7,010		7,259	2%
Logistics		123		81,237		81,360	27%
Other		228		2,879		3,107	<u>1%</u>
Total	\$	3,338	\$	295,934	\$	299,272	100%

<sup>\*</sup> Includes line clearing - \$11 for Transmission and \$27,597 for Distribution

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- 3 Q. Please state your name and business address.
- 4 A. My name is Kim Ousdahl, and my business address is Florida Power & Light
- 5 Company, 700 Universe Boulevard, Juno Beach, Florida 33408.
- 6 Q. By whom are you employed and what is your position?
- 7 A. I am employed by Florida Power & Light Company ("FPL" or the "Company") as
- 8 Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer.
- 9 Q. Please describe your duties and responsibilities in that position.
- 10 A. I am responsible for all financial accounting, as well as internal and external
- reporting, for FPL. As a part of these responsibilities, I ensure that the Company's
- financial reporting complies with requirements of Generally Accepted Accounting
- Principles ("GAAP") and multi-jurisdictional regulatory accounting requirements.
- 14 Q. Please describe your educational background and professional experience.
- 15 A. I graduated from Kansas State University in 1979 with a Bachelor of Science Degree
- in Business Administration, majoring in Accounting. That same year, I was
- employed by Houston Lighting & Power Company in Houston, Texas. During my
- tenure there, I held various accounting and regulatory management positions. Prior to
- joining FPL in June 2004, I was the Vice President and Controller of Reliant Energy.
- I am a Certified Public Accountant ("CPA") licensed in the State of Texas and a
- 21 member of the American Institute of CPAs, the Texas Society of CPAs, and the
- Florida Institute of CPAs.

#### Q. Are you sponsoring any exhibits in this case?

- 2 A. Yes. I am sponsoring the following exhibits:
- 3 • KO-1 – Hurricane Matthew Final Costs and Incremental Cost and Capitalization Approach ("ICCA") Adjustments; and 4
  - KO-2 Update to Exhibit KO-1, to be filed on or before March 15, 2018.

#### Q. What is the purpose of your testimony? 6

- A. The purpose of my testimony is to support the calculation of the Hurricane Matthew recoverable amount FPL is seeking for cost recovery in this proceeding and to demonstrate that FPL's storm restoration and recovery accounting processes and 10 controls are well established, documented, and implemented by personnel that are suitably trained, to ensure proper storm accounting and ratemaking. Specifically, my 12 testimony will show that:
  - 1. FPL has effective and appropriate controls and accounting procedures for storm events;
  - 2. FPL's accounting for Hurricane Matthew was in accordance with the ICCA methodology required under Rule 25-6.0143, Florida Administrative Code ("F.A.C."); and
  - 3. FPL's calculation of the proposed recovery amount is in accordance with the provisions of FPL's 2012 Stipulation and Settlement Agreement approved by the Florida Public Service Commission ("FPSC" or the "Commission") in Order No. PSC-2013-0023-S-EI, Docket No. 20120015-EI ("2012 Stipulation and Settlement Agreement").

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#### Q. Please summarize your testimony.

FPL's long standing control processes and procedures were employed for Hurricane Matthew, and those control processes continue to ensure proper storm accounting and ratemaking. The ICCA methodology was applied to each storm cost type to determine the amount recoverable from FPL's customers. FPL identified correcting adjustments after the Company filed the Hurricane Matthew cost report on October 16, 2017, and those adjustments are incorporated into the final calculation of recoverable costs reflected in Exhibit KO-1. The final storm recoverable amount has been calculated in accordance with the 2012 Stipulation and Settlement Agreement that was in effect at the time of Hurricane Matthew and therefore, the amounts reflected on Exhibit KO-1 (as reduced by Exhibit KO-2) are appropriately recoverable from customers.

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#### II. STORM ACCOUNTING PROCESS AND CONTROLS

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## Q. Please describe the accounting guidance and process that FPL uses for storm costs.

FPL's storm accounting process adheres to Accounting Standards Codification 450, Contingencies ("ASC 450"), which prescribes that an estimated loss from a loss contingency is recognized only if the available information indicates that (1) it is probable an asset has been impaired or a liability has been incurred at the reporting date, and (2) the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. FPL incurs a liability for a qualifying event, such as a hurricane, because it has an obligation to

customers to restore power and repair damage to its system. Therefore, once a hurricane event has transpired, FPL makes an assessment of the estimated cost to restore the system to pre-event conditions and accrues that liability in full when the amount can be reasonably estimated under ASC 450. Storm restoration costs will eventually be expensed, capitalized, or charged against FPL's storm reserve based on the application of the ICCA methodology found in Rule 25-6.0143, F.A.C.

#### Q. How does FPL track storm restoration costs?

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FPL establishes unique functional (i.e., distribution, transmission, etc.) internal orders ("IOs") for each storm to aggregate the total amount of storm restoration costs incurred for financial reporting and regulatory recovery purposes. The Company uses these IOs to account for *all* costs directly associated with restoration, including costs that will not be recoverable from FPL's storm reserve based on the Commission's requirements under the ICCA methodology. All storm restoration costs charged to storm IOs are captured in Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC") Account 186, Miscellaneous Deferred Debits. All costs charged to FERC Account 186 are subsequently cleared and charged to the storm reserve, operations and maintenance ("O&M") expense, capital, or below-the-line expense.

## Q. When did FPL begin charging costs related to Hurricane Matthew to the storm IOs?

A. Due to the expected risk of significant outages and substantial infrastructure damages,
FPL began making financial commitments associated with securing resources prior to
Hurricane Matthew's anticipated impact. On October 4, 2016, in accordance with
FPL's Storm Accounting Policy and with authorization from FPL's President and

CEO, FPL established and activated storm IOs to begin tracking costs for Hurricane Matthew. An email communication was sent to all business units to inform them that storm IOs had been activated for purposes of collecting storm restoration charges. Attached to the email, FPL also provided: (1) a listing of IOs by function and location, (2) guidance on recording time for payroll, and (3) guidance on the types of costs eligible to be charged to storm IOs. The pre-landfall costs charged to the storm IOs include the acquisition of external resources (e.g., line and vegetation crews), mobilization and pre-staging of internal and external resources, opening of staging and processing sites, reserving lodging, and securing FPL's existing operational facilities in preparation for the impacts of the storm.

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# Q. What operational internal controls are in place during a restoration event to ensure storm accounting procedures are followed?

Finance and accounting employees are key to storm restoration accounting and controls. As reflected in the testimony of FPL witness Miranda, the FPL Command Center organization recognizes the critical role and responsibilities of these employees. Finance or accounting representatives are assigned to each staging and processing site (referred to as "Finance Section Chiefs") to ensure active, real-time financial controls are in effect and adhered to during the restoration event. Responsibilities of the Finance Section Chiefs include ensuring procedural compliance with internal cost controls, providing guidance and oversight to ensure prudent spending, collecting and analyzing data real-time such as timesheets, and assisting with the proper accounting of mutual aid resources. Representatives from FPL's Human Resources department also are embedded at many sites and perform

1 internal control support tasks such as providing guidance on the proper information to 2 include on timesheets.

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In addition, each business unit has a finance representative (referred to as a "Business Unit Coordinator") performing a storm controllership function for their respective business units, which includes communicating the storm IO instructions to the personnel directly supporting storm restoration, ensuring that appropriate costs are charged to the storm IOs as well as preparing cost estimates before, during, and after the restoration is complete. FPL performs extensive training each year in advance of storm season for both the Finance Section Chiefs and the Business Unit Coordinators that includes live training and drills during FPL's "dry run" storm event. Costs associated with the annual training are not charged to the storm reserve.

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### Does FPL's Accounting department complete its review of all storm restoration costs recorded by each business unit once restoration is complete?

Yes. Post storm restoration, the Accounting department reviews the storm cost 15 A. recorded by each business unit for reasonableness. Accounting then applies the 16 ICCA methodology to ensure proper ratemaking and recording to the financial 17 18 statements.

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# 3 Q. How did FPL apply the ICCA methodology to its total storm restoration costs 4 for Hurricane Matthew?

5 A. All Hurricane Matthew storm costs are accumulated in FERC Account 186, including 6 charges that are considered non-incremental or capital. There are separate storm IOs 7 for each function and location charged during storm restoration. Using the ICCA 8 methodology, non-incremental amounts are calculated for the costs collected in these 9 IOs and subsequently credited from FERC Account 186 and debited to either a base rate O&M expense or below-the-line expense. Capital costs also are identified and 10 11 subsequently credited from FERC Account 186 and debited to FERC Account 107, 12 Construction Work in Progress. After non-incremental and capital costs are removed from FERC Account 186, the remaining balance, representing incremental storm 13 14 charges, is jurisdictionalized by using retail separation factors that were authorized by the 2012 Stipulation and Settlement Agreement<sup>1</sup>, and credited from FERC Account 15 186 and debited to FERC Account 228.1, Accumulated provision for property 16 17 insurance. The non-retail incremental storm charges also are credited from FERC Account 186 and charged to expense, leaving a zero balance in FERC Account 186. 18

# Q. What is the total amount of retail incremental storm costs for Hurricane Matthew?

A. As reflected on Exhibit KO-1, line 53, the total amount of retail incremental storm costs for Hurricane Matthew is \$291.8 million. This amount represents \$310.3

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Because Hurricane Matthew occurred in October 2016, cost recovery is governed by FPL's 2012 Stipulation and Settlement Agreement.

million of incurred Hurricane Matthew storm restoration costs less \$4.8 million of
non-incremental costs, \$0.3 million in third-party reimbursements, and \$13.0 million
of capital costs, resulting in total incremental costs of \$292.2 million (system). Once
jurisdictional factors are applied at the functional level, the total amount of storm
costs eligible for recovery from retail customers associated with Hurricane Matthew
is \$291.8 million ("Retail Recoverable Costs").

Q. What types of costs are included in FPL's Retail Recoverable Costs charged to the storm reserve for Hurricane Matthew?

- 9 A. In accordance with Rule 25-6.0143, F.A.C., the categories of costs outlined below were properly included in the calculation of the total Retail Recoverable Costs reflected on Line 53 of Exhibit KO-1:
  - Regular Payroll and Related Costs: Includes \$1.0 million of regular payroll
    and related payroll overheads for employee time spent in direct support of
    storm restoration and is net of amounts normally recovered through capital or
    clauses. This amount excludes bonuses and incentive compensation.
  - Overtime Payroll and Related Costs: Includes \$14.6 million of overtime payroll and payroll tax overheads for employee time spent in direct support of storm restoration.
  - Contractor Costs and Line Clearing: Includes \$186.2 million of costs for mutual aid utilities, line contractors and vegetation contractors, including mobilization and de-mobilization costs.
  - **Vehicle and Fuel:** Includes \$3.1 million for incremental fuel used by FPL and contractor vehicles for storm restoration activities.

Materials and supplies: Includes \$2.8 million in materials and supplies used
to repair and restore service and facilities to pre-storm condition. This does
not include that portion of materials and supplies used in the Hurricane
Matthew restoration activities that are included in the capital cost.

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• **Logistics Costs:** Includes \$81.7 million of costs for staging and processing sites, meals, lodging, buses and transportation, and rental equipment used by employees and contractors in direct support of storm restoration.

## 8 Q. How did FPL determine the non-incremental costs it incurred for Hurricane

- Once all costs were incurred and recorded to FERC Account 186, the Accounting department completed a detailed review in order to determine amounts which were not incremental under the ICCA methodology. Per the ICCA methodology, non-incremental costs are those that are included in normal base rate operations. Below is a summary of non-incremental costs incurred for Hurricane Matthew as defined in Rule 25-6.0143, F.A.C., which have been removed from the total costs recorded to FERC Account 186 (see Lines 14-25 on Exhibit KO-1).
- Regular Payroll: In general, regular payroll costs recovered through base O&M are non-incremental. However, regular payroll normally recovered through capital or cost recovery clauses can be charged to the storm reserve based on paragraphs 21 and 22 of Order No. PSC-2006-0464-FOF-EI, Docket No. 20060038-EI: "otherwise, the costs would effectively be disallowed because there is no provision to recover those costs in base rate operation and maintenance costs...."

- FPL determines the non-incremental payroll by calculating the Company's budgeted base O&M payroll percentage as compared to total budgeted payroll, including cost recovery clauses and capital by cost center, and then multiplying that percent by total actual payroll costs incurred (excluding overtime) for employees directly supporting storm restoration. The total amount of non-incremental payroll for Hurricane Matthew is \$2.3 million.
  - Vegetation Management: Based on Rule 25-6.0143(1)(f)(8), F.A.C., storm-related tree trimming expenses must be excluded if the Company's total tree trimming expense in a storm restoration month is less than the average expense for the same month in the prior three years. The tree trimming expenses during October 2016, in which Hurricane Matthew restoration work was performed, exceeded the three-year average for October in prior years. FPL has included in its incremental costs only the portion of the tree trimming storm costs that exceeded the prior three-year average, with the rest charged to O&M expense. Based on this methodology, \$0.2 million was non-incremental, all of which was related to the Distribution function.
  - **Vehicle Utilization:** All FPL-owned vehicle utilization costs charged to storm IOs, totaling \$1.6 million, are considered non-incremental.
  - **Fuel:** Fuel costs incurred by FPL directly related to storm restoration are charged to the storm IOs. While Rule 25-6.0143, F.A.C., does not speak directly to recovery of fuel costs, FPL has conservatively applied the same methodology described above for vegetation management. The fuel expenses during October

2016, in which Hurricane Matthew restoration work was performed, exceeded the three-year average for October in prior years. Only fuel costs that exceeded this prior three-year average were considered incremental for recovery through the storm reserve. FPL determined \$0.3 million was non-incremental, all of which is reflected in the Distribution function.

- Thank You Advertisements: Public service announcements regarding key storm-related issues such as safety and service restoration estimates are recoverable through the storm reserve; however, thank-you advertisements directed to customers and mutual aid utilities cannot be charged to the storm reserve. Thank-you advertising totaling \$0.3 million for Hurricane Matthew was charged to below-the-line expense and reflected in the Marketing and Communication function.
- **Legal Claims:** Certain claims were paid that primarily related to property damage caused by FPL personnel and contractors during restoration. None of the cost of claims is recoverable through the storm reserve; therefore, claims totaling \$0.2 million were charged to O&M and reflected in the General function.
- Childcare: Childcare provided to the children of employees on storm duty is not recoverable under the ICCA methodology. These costs totaling \$0.02 million were charged to O&M.
- Q. Did FPL receive, or does it expect to receive, any insurance recoveries associated with storm damage resulting from Hurricane Matthew?
- A. No. FPL does not have insurance for its transmission or distribution ("T&D") assets.

In addition, FPL could not make a property insurance claim for non-T&D assets as a result of Hurricane Matthew because no loss exceeded the deductible amount for insured assets.

#### 4 Q. Did FPL receive any third-party reimbursements for storm-related costs?

5 A. Yes. AT&T reimbursed FPL approximately \$0.3 million for 115 poles replaced by FPL on its behalf, and this amount reduced FPL's incremental recoverable costs from the storm.

#### Q. How did FPL determine the capital costs incurred for Hurricane Matthew?

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All costs related to storm restoration work (including follow-up work) are initially charged to FERC Account 186, and estimated capital costs are then reclassified to FERC Account 107, Construction Work In Progress ("CWIP"). Initially, FPL employs a storm accounting capital estimation process derived from the amount of materials and supplies assets issued during a storm less returns. Once restoration is complete, FPL utilizes its distribution estimation system to calculate the total amount of capital costs for the Distribution function in accordance with FPL's capitalization policy, which includes both materials and labor. The capital costs for other functional areas are determined based on an estimate of the work performed and are then likewise recorded to the balance sheet in accordance with FPL's capitalization policy.

Once the capital jobs are completed, the CWIP account is credited and the appropriate functional plant account in FERC Account 101, Plant In Service, is debited based on the estimated normalized cost of installed units of property. Retirements of fixed assets removed during restoration are recorded when the new incurred capital costs are placed in service via a new discrete IO.

- Q. What jurisdictional separation factors have been applied to the Incremental

  Storm Losses reflected on Line 48 of Exhibit KO-1 to determine the amount of
- **Retail Recoverable Costs to charge to the storm reserve?**
- 4 A. The jurisdictional separation factors from FPL's 2013 Test Year filed in Docket No. 5 20120015-EI have been applied to jurisdictionalize the Hurricane Matthew 6 Incremental Storm Losses on Line 48 of Exhibit KO-1. Under paragraph 5(a) of the 2012 Stipulation and Settlement Agreement, storm cost recovery must follow the rate 7 design method set forth in Order No. PSC-2006-0464-FOF-EI, Docket No. 8 9 20060038-EI, which states in paragraph 72: "FPL then allocated the total costs 10 described above among the FPL customer rate classes in the manner in which these 11 costs or their equivalent were allocated in the cost-of-service study filed by FPL in 12 connection with FPL's last rate case, as required by Section 366.8260(2)(b)2.h., Florida Statutes." In addition, Paragraph 3(b) of the 2012 Stipulation and Settlement 13 14 Agreement approved the cost of service allocations in the MFRs accompanying the 2012 Rate Petition. Therefore, FPL used these cost of service allocations to calculate 15 the amount of Retail Recoverable Costs related to Hurricane Matthew. 16
- Q. What is the storm reserve balance after recording the total incremental retail storm costs for Hurricane Matthew of \$291.8 million?
- As shown on Line 1 on Exhibit KO-1, the pre-storm reserve balance was \$93.1 million as of September 30, 2016. The \$291.8 million of Retail Recoverable Costs for Hurricane Matthew charged to the storm reserve created a deficiency of \$198.7 million (the "Eligible Restoration Costs").

1	Q.	What is the total Recoverable Sto	orm Amount	FPL	is	requesting	approval	to
2		recover in this proceeding?						

- A. As reflected on Line 65 on Exhibit KO-1, the total Recoverable Storm Amount that
  FPL is requesting approval to recover is \$316.7 million. This amount represents the
  sum of Eligible Restoration Costs of \$198.7 million, replenishment of its storm
  reserve to \$117.1 million, and interest on the unrecovered deficit in the storm reserve
  of \$0.6 million, all of which have been grossed up for regulatory assessment fees.
- 8 Q. Is this calculation in compliance with FPL's 2012 Stipulation and Settlement
  9 Agreement?
- 10 A. Yes. Under FPL's 2012 Stipulation and Settlement Agreement, FPL is entitled to
  11 request recovery of the storm reserve deficit and replenish its storm reserve to the
  12 balance as of the settlement's implementation date, which was \$117.1 million.
- 13 Q. Has FPL's Hurricane Matthew storm cost calculation been audited by the
  14 FPSC?
- 15 A. Yes. The FPSC staff completed an audit of FPL's final costs for Hurricane Matthew 16 filed in this docket on October 16, 2017, and filed an audit report on January 5, 2018.
- 17 Q. What were the results of the FPSC audit?
- A. The FPSC audit staff reviewed the final costs for Hurricane Matthew and found that

  FPL had correctly recorded all of those costs with a few limited exceptions.

  Specifically, the audit staff identified three audit findings in its audit report, the

  results of which have been removed from FPL's total amount of Incremental Storm

  Losses reflected on Line 48 on Exhibit KO-1. The three audit findings related to \$0.9

  million of overtime payroll and related payroll taxes, \$0.02 million of duplicate

charges, and \$0.1 million of regular payroll and overhead charges, all of which were inadvertently charged to the storm reserve. The \$0.9 million overtime payroll adjustment and \$0.1 million regular payroll adjustment were self-identified by FPL in its responses to OPC's First Set of Interrogatories, Question Nos. 9 and 7, respectively. The duplicate charge adjustment was identified by FPL while preparing a response to an audit inquiry. The aggregate impact of these adjustments represents less than 0.4% of the total Hurricane Matthew Retail Recoverable Costs and has been removed from the Recoverable Costs in Exhibit KO-1.

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# 9 Q. Did FPL identify any other required adjustments to the storm costs that are reflected on Exhibit KO-1?

- A. Yes. In FPL's response to OPC's First Set of Interrogatories, Question No. 18, FPL identified that it had inadvertently classified \$3.3 million of Distribution follow-up work as Contractor costs on Line 3 of its final cost report filed on October 16, 2017. The proper classification of these costs is reflected in the amounts reported on Lines 4 through 11 on Exhibit KO-1. These reclassifications had no impact on the total Hurricane Matthew recoverable amount FPL is seeking to recover in this proceeding.
- 17 Q. Has FPL determined whether any adjustments are required after the 18 preparation of the Final Cost Report?
- 19 A. Yes. Subsequent to September 30, 2017, the cut-off date of the final cost report filed 20 on October 16, 2017, FPL substantially completed its follow up work and returned 21 unused materials to stores. At the completion of Hurricane Matthew restoration 22 work, FPL estimates that there will be a reduction of approximately \$0.5 million to 23 the total Retail Recoverable Costs shown on Exhibit KO-1. Because the restoration

work is now substantially complete, FPL will record no further entries for Hurricane

Matthew to the storm reserve after February 28, 2018. Therefore, at that time the

actual amount of the reduction can be finalized. FPL will file a supplement to my

direct testimony, in the form of an exhibit designated as Exhibit KO-2, on or before

March 15, 2018, in the same form as Exhibit KO-1 and reflecting the cost reduction.

### 6 Q. Does this conclude your direct testimony?

7 A. Yes.

#### Florida Power and Light Storm Restoration Costs Related to Hurricane Matthew (\$000s)

					Storm Costs By	Function(A)				
								Customer		Calculation of Recoverable
LINE NO.			Steam & Other (1)	Nuclear (2)	Transmission (3)	Distribution (4)	General (B) (5)	Service (6)	Total (7)	Storm Amount (8)
1	Storm Reserve Balance (Pre-Storm)									\$ (93,105)
2	Storm Restoration Costs									
4	Regular Payroll and Related Costs (C)		\$33	\$206	\$446	\$5,170	\$364	\$175	\$6,394	
5	Overtime Payroll and Related Costs (C)		326	1,537	654	10,761	658	700	14,635	
6	Contractors		703	3,207	1,482	156,460	277	272	162,402	
7	Line Clearing		0	0	11	27,597	0	0	27,609	
8 9	Vehicle & Fuel Materials & Supplies		0 20	0 58	145 249	4,820 7,010	5 359	56	4,970 7,751	
10	Logistics		1	0	123	81,237	185	128	81,673	
11	Other		34	5	228	2,879	1,613	151	4,910	
12	Total Storm Related Restoration Costs	Sum of Lines 4 - 11	\$1,118	\$5,013	\$3,338	\$295,934	\$3,460	\$1,481	\$310,343	
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14 15	Less: Non-Incremental Costs Regular Payroll and Related Costs ( D)		\$56	\$162	\$244	\$749	\$645	\$409	\$2,264	
16	Line Clearing:		\$30	\$102	3244	\$749	\$043	3409	\$2,204	
17	Vegetation Management		0	0	0	187	0	0	187	
18	Vehicle & Fuel:									
19	Vehicle Utilization		0	0	0	1,611	0	0	1,611	
20	Fuel		0	0	0	260	0	0	260	
21	Other									
22 23	Thank you Ads		0	0	0	0	322 160	0	322 160	
24	Legal Claims Childcare		0	0	0	0	24	0	24	
25	Total Non-Incremental Costs	Sum of Lines 15 - 24	\$56	\$162	\$244	\$2,808	\$1,151	\$409	\$4,829	
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27	Less: Third-Party Reimbursements (E)		0	0	0	295	0	0	295	
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29 30	Net Restoration Costs Incurred	Lines 12 - 25 - 27	\$1,062	\$4,851	\$3,094	\$292,831	\$2,308	\$1,072	\$305,219	
31	Less: Capitalizable Costs (F)									
32	Regular Payroll and Related Costs		\$1	\$0	\$92	\$3,006	\$0	\$0	\$3,099	
33	Contractors		505	238	0	2,930	0	0	3,673	
34 35	Materials & Supplies Other		0	0	207 45	4,657 1,539	0	56 0	4,920 1,584	
36	Third-Party Reimbursements (E)		0	0	0	-295	0	0	-295	
37	Total Capitalizable Costs	Sum of Lines 32 - 36	\$507	\$238	\$344	\$11,838	\$0	\$56	\$12,982	
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39	Incremental Storm Losses									
40	Regular Payroll and Related Costs	Lines 4 - 15 - 32	-\$24	\$45	\$111	\$1,415	-\$281	-\$234	\$1,031	
41 42	Overtime Payroll and Related Costs	Line 5	326 198	1,537 2,969	654 1,482	10,761	658 277	700 272	14,635 158,728	
42	Contractors Line Clearing	Lines 6 - 33 Lines 7 - 17	0	2,969	1,482	153,531 27,410	0	0	27,421	
44	Vehicle & Fuel	Lines 8 - 19 - 20	0	0	145	2,949	5	0	3,098	
45	Materials & Supplies	Lines 9 - 34	20	58	41	2,352	359	0	2,831	
46	Logistics	Line 10	1	0	123	81,237	185	128	81,673	
47	Other	Line 11 - 22 - 23 - 24 - 35	34	5	183	1,339	1,106	151	2,819	
48 49	Total Incremental Storm Losses	Sum of Lines 40 - 47	\$555	\$4,613	\$2,751	\$280,994	\$2,308	\$1,016	\$292,237	
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51	Jurisdictional Factor (G)		0.9819	0.9819	0.9029	0.9998	0.9848	1.0000		
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53	Retail Recoverable Costs	Line 48 * 51	\$ 545 \$	4,529	\$ 2,484 \$	280,951	\$ 2,273 \$	1,016	\$ 291,799	\$ 291,799
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55	Balance of Storm Reserve after Funding Estin	nated Storm Costs ("Eligible Rest	oration Costs") (Lines	1 + 53)						\$ 198,693
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58	Plus: Interest on Unamortized Reserve Balance	e								599
59	Plus: Amount to Replenish Reserve to Level a	t Settlement Agreement Impleme	entation Date. January	2. 2013 ("Imple	ementation Storm F	Reserve Balance")				117,131
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61	Subtotal - System Storm Losses to be Recove	red from Customers (Lines 55 + 5	57 + 59)							316,424
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63 64	Regulatory Assessment Fee Multiplier									1.00072
65	Total System Storm Losses to be Recovered f	rom Customers ("Recoverable Ste	orm Amount") (Lines	61 * 63)						\$ 316,652

- (A) Storm costs are as of September 30,2017, the cut-off date of the final cost report, adjusted for the items discussed on pages 18 & 19 of my testimony.
- (B) General plant function reflects restoration costs associated with FPL's Human Resources, External Affairs, Information Management, Real Estate, and Marketing and Communications departments.
- (C) Represents total payroll charged to the business unit (function) being supported. For example, an employee that works in Legal but is supporting Distribution during storm restoration would charge their time to Distribution. (D) Represents regular payroll normally recovered through base rate O&M and not charged to the Storm Reserve. The amounts are charged to the employee's normal business unit, which may not be the business unit that employee supported during the storm. Therefore, in the example in Note B above, if the Legal employee had payroll which cannot be charged to the Storm Reserve, that amount would be charged to Legal (General) whereas the recoverable portion of their time would remain in Distribution.
- (E) Reimbursement from AT&T for poles replaced by FPL during restoration as a result of the storm.
- (F) Includes capital associated with follow-up work.
  (G) Jurisdictional Factors are based on factors approved in Docket No. 20120015-EI.

#### Florida Power and Light **Incremental Storm Restoration Costs Related to Hurricane Matthew Interest Calculation** (\$000s)

LINE NO.		(1 MA 201	R	(2) APR 2017	(3) MAY 2017	(4) JUN 2017	(5) JUL 2017	(6) AUG 2017	(7) SEP 2017	(8) OCT 2017	(9) NOV 2017	(10) DEC 2017	(11) JAN 2018	(12) FEB 2018	TOTAL
1	Unrecovered Eligible Restoration Costs - Beg Bal	\$ 20	14,694	182,290	\$ 155,965	\$ 129,173 \$	99,768	\$ 68,139 \$	36,010 \$	4,162	=	=	=	=	
2	Additional Adjustments to Storm Reserve		(580)	(2,406)	459	931	527	(177)	(1,134)	(1)	-	-	-	- :	(2,381)
3	Less: Current Month Amortization (A)	(2	1,952)	(24,044)	(27,359)	(30,432)	(32,234)	(31,999)	(30,729)	(4,162)	-	-	-	- ;	\$ (202,912)
4	Unrecovered Eligible Restoration Costs - Before Cur Mo Int (Line $1+2+3$ )	\$ 18	2,162 \$	155,839	129,064	\$ 99,672 \$	68,062 \$	35,963 \$	4,147 \$	(2)	-	-	-	-	
5	Average Unrecovered Eligible Restoration Costs ((Line $1+4$ ) $/\ 2$ )	19	3,428	169,064	142,515	114,422	83,915	52,051	20,078	2,080	-	-	-	-	
6	Interest Rate - First day of Business Reporting Month (B)	0.6	4000%	0.94000%	0.86000%	0.95000%	1.08000%	1.12000%	1.06000%	0.73000%	0.00000%	0.00000%	0.00000%	0.00000%	
7	Interest Rate - First day of Subsequent Reporting Month (B)	0.9	4000%	0.86000%	0.95000%	1.08000%	1.12000%	1.06000%	0.73000%	1.14000%	0.00000%	0.00000%	0.00000%	0.00000%	
8	Total Interest Rate (Lines 6 + 7)	1.5	8000%	1.80000%	1.81000%	2.03000%	2.20000%	2.18000%	1.79000%	1.87000%	0.00000%	0.00000%	0.00000%	0.00000%	
9	Average Interest Rate (50% of Line 8)	0.79	9000%	0.90000%	0.90500%	1.01500%	1.10000%	1.09000%	0.89500%	0.93500%	0.00000%	0.00000%	0.00000%	0.00000%	
10	Monthly Average Interest Rate (1/12 of line 9)	0.0	6583%	0.07500%	0.07542%	0.08458%	0.09167%	0.09083%	0.07458%	0.07792%	0.00000%	0.00000%	0.00000%	0.00000%	
11	Monthly Interest (Line 5 x 10)		127	127	107	97	77	47	15	2	-	=	=	=	\$ 599
12	Unrecovered Eligible Restoration Costs - End Bal (Line 4 + 11)	\$ 18	2,289	155,966	\$ 129,172	\$ 99,768 \$	68,139	\$ 36,010 \$	4,162 \$	- 5	S - :	\$ - :	\$ - 5	\$ -	

 $<sup>\</sup>frac{Notes:}{(A) \ Based \ on \ actual \ billed \ kWh \ storm \ charge \ sales.}$ 

<sup>(</sup>B) Represents the then-prevailing commercial paper rate when recording actual interest on its books and records.

1	BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
2	FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY
3	DIRECT TESTIMONY OF EDUARDO DEVARONA
4	DOCKET NO. 20160251-EI
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#### I. INTRODUCTION

- 3 Q. Please state your name and business address.
- 4 A. My name is Eduardo DeVarona. My business address is Florida Power &
- 5 Light Company, 700 Universe Boulevard, Juno Beach, Florida 33408.
- 6 Q. By whom are you employed and what is your position?
- 7 A. I am employed by Florida Power & Light Company ("FPL" or the
- 8 "Company") as the Senior Director of Emergency Preparedness Power
- 9 Delivery.
- 10 Q. Please describe your duties and responsibilities in that position.
- 11 A. As the Senior Director of Emergency Preparedness Power Delivery, I am
- responsible for ensuring the effectiveness of FPL's operational emergency
- plans and procedures for hurricanes, severe weather, capacity shortfall, and
- cyber and physical security. In addition, I am responsible for corporate
- business continuity across NextEra Energy in the event of an emergency.
- 16 Q. Please describe your educational background and professional
- 17 **experience.**
- 18 A. I have a Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering from the
- 19 University of Florida. I joined FPL in 1991 and have served in a number of
- 20 positions of increasing responsibility with FPL and NextEra Energy
- 21 Transmission. Over the last 10 years, I have held several director level
- positions within Transmission and Distribution ("T&D"), including my
- current position.

- 1 Q. Are you sponsoring any exhibits in this case?
- 2 A. No.
- 3 Q. What is the purpose of your direct testimony?
- 4 A. The purpose of my testimony is to provide an overview of FPL's non-T&D
- 5 activities, restoration efforts and cost details related to Hurricane Matthew.
- Through this discussion, I support the reasonableness and prudence of those
- 7 activities and the associated costs for which FPL is seeking recovery.

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#### II. FPL's NON-T&D STORM RESTORATION ACTIVITIES

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- Q. Please provide an overview of FPL's non-T&D business units that
- engaged in storm preparation and restoration activities related to
- 13 Hurricane Matthew, together with the associated costs.
- 14 A. As outlined in the testimony of FPL witness Miranda, the great majority of the
- work associated with FPL's preparations for, response to and restoration
- following Hurricane Matthew falls within the T&D functional areas.
- 17 However, virtually every other business unit within FPL was engaged in pre-
- storm planning and preparation as well as restoration activities, all of which
- 19 contributed to the overall success of the restoration efforts. Included within
- the family of non-T&D business units that contributed to this effort, together
- with associated costs, are the following:

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1		• Nuclear - \$5,013,000
2		• General - \$3,460,000
3		• Customer Service - \$1,481,000
4		• Power Generation Division ("PGD") - \$1,118,000
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6		The costs referenced above are detailed on FPL witness Ousdahl's Exhibit
7		KO-1.
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9		These costs were necessary as part of storm preparation and the execution of
10		storm restoration efforts and support functions. The majority of these costs are
11		related to payroll (regular and overtime) and for services performed by outside
12		contractors. The activities and associated costs of each of these business units
13		are addressed separately in my testimony.
14	Q.	Please describe your review of the activities and associated costs of the
15		various business units discussed in your testimony.
16	A.	In addition to my direct interactions and coordination with the non-T&D
17		business units before, during and after Hurricane Matthew, I met with
18		representatives of each of the business units to understand in greater detail the
19		nature of the work and the associated costs incurred in performing these
20		functions.
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- Q. Are you familiar with the pre-storm season training undertaken by the various business units addressed in your testimony?
- A. Yes. Although I briefly address those activities in my testimony, as FPL witness Ousdahl describes, costs associated with storm preparedness and training activities are not charged to the storm reserve.

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#### III. NUCLEAR

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- 9 Q. Please provide an overview of FPL's nuclear operations in Florida.
- 10 A. FPL has four nuclear units in Florida two at the Turkey Point Nuclear
- Generating Center (1,632 MW) in Miami-Dade County and two at the St.
- Lucie Nuclear Power Plant (1,821 MW FPL share) in St. Lucie County.
- Q. Please explain the responsibilities of the Nuclear business unit in preparing for extreme weather events.
  - A. Each of the nuclear plants has an emergency plan that is used as the basis for storm preparedness and response. As part of this plan, the Nuclear business unit must ensure that each plant and site are secured and adequately staffed for operations before, during, and after the storm. The emergency plan provides for an emergency crew to be stationed to ride out a storm, recognizing that requiring a crew to travel to the plant site during a storm would not be safe. During the storm, crews are housed in safe areas throughout the plant, including a team in the emergency diesel generator building. If the storm

1		impacts the station, emergency crews would respond to start, repair or
2		troubleshoot any plant equipment to the extent it is safe to do so.
3	Q.	Identify any regulatory requirements that must be taken in advance of
4		the impact of a hurricane.
5	A.	Pursuant to its Station Blackout requirements, the Nuclear Regulatory
6		Commission ("NRC") requires FPL to commence a shutdown of its nuclear
7		units two hours prior to the expected onset of hurricane force winds at the site.
8		FPL has procedures at the nuclear sites to implement shutdown activities in
9		accordance with these NRC regulations.
10	Q.	Did FPL shut down either of the nuclear sites prior to the impact of
11		Hurricane Matthew?
12	A.	Yes. Due to the requirements mentioned above, St. Lucie Unit 2 was brought
13		off-line the morning of October 6, 2016, before the site began experiencing
14		hurricane force winds. St. Lucie Unit 1 was already off-line in a scheduled
15		refueling outage. Turkey Point Units 3 and 4 remained online because the site
16		did not encounter hurricane force winds from the storm.
17	Q.	What actions were taken at St. Lucie Units 1 and 2 in connection with the
18		shutdown?
19	A.	When the hurricane watch or warning was given by the National Hurricane

Center, the nuclear plant site filled all necessary fuel and water tanks,

completed all scheduled maintenance activities, conducted activities and tasks

required to secure the site to weather the storm, and conducted any necessary

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1	updates to the training for the operating crew to ensure they were prepared for
2	potential circumstances they could face in the hurricane.

- You noted that St. Lucie Unit 1 was already off-line in a scheduled refueling outage. Did this fact require the Company to undertake additional preparations at the site?
- 6 A. Yes. Because a refueling outage at St. Lucie Unit 1 was already in progress, it 7 was necessary to demobilize contractors and safely secure plant equipment 8 and material staged for outage support for the unit before the storm made 9 landfall. For example, large cranes were dismantled and heavy equipment 10 was moved and secured. Numerous site personnel (employees and 11 contractors) were involved in completing these tasks in the short time frame 12 available before the storm arrived.
- Q. Did the nuclear plant sites sustain damage or require restoration work as a result of Hurricane Matthew?
- 15 A. Yes. The St. Lucie nuclear plant sustained damage to some of the non-nuclear infrastructure; however, the costs to repair that damage were not included in the storm costs that FPL is recovering through the interim storm charge because they were capitalized. Both sites incurred costs for debris removal that were included in storm recovery costs.
- 20 Q. Explain the role of Nuclear during restoration following Hurricane
  21 Matthew.
- A. The criteria for restarting the nuclear units following a hurricane are based on reviews performed by the NRC and the Federal Emergency Management

Agency ("FEMA") regarding the ability of FPL, the State of Florida, and local governments to effectively implement their emergency plans. The standard used by the NRC and FEMA to evaluate the ability to restart the plant following an event such as a hurricane is whether there is reasonable assurance that both FPL and the state and local governments can protect the health and welfare of the public in the event of a nuclear power plant accident. The plant systems required for operation must be able to perform their intended function; the plant has technical specifications that describe what equipment must be operable. In the community surrounding the plant site, the Alert and Notification System (i.e., sirens) must be operable and the local government must be able to support the implementation of public protective actions such as shelter, evacuation and the monitoring of evacuees. Additionally, the local government must have the essential personnel and equipment in place for emergency operations. Did Nuclear retain any contractors to assist in restarting St. Lucie Unit 2?

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A. Yes. Contracted support assisted in the unit restoration efforts, which primarily included actions necessary to restart the unit back to full power.

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1	Q.	Please identity the costs attributable to the activities undertaken by
2		Nuclear.
3	A.	Nuclear incurred approximately \$5 million in storm-related costs, the majority
4		of which were related to storm preparations, storm riders, restart activities,
5		and mobilization and demobilization activities.
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7		IV. GENERAL
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9	Q.	Please provide an overview of the business units included in the
10		"General" category.
11	A.	The business units grouped in the "General" category primarily include
12		Marketing and Communications ("M&C"), Information Technology ("IT"),
13		Human Resources and Corporate Services ("HRCS") and External Affairs and
14		Economic Development ("EA").
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16		During and after Hurricane Matthew, M&C was responsible for all aspects of
17		communications both internally with employees and externally with
18		customers and stakeholders. More than 30 channels of communication were
19		utilized, including but not limited to email, automated calls, text messaging,
20		media events, news conferences, news releases to the media, and
21		communications to local leaders, state and federal elected officials and

regulators, and large commercial customers.

IT was responsible for the delivery and support of system business solutions, technology infrastructure (client services, mobile services, servers, network, etc.) and both wired and wireless technology.

HRCS was responsible for overseeing various functions of employee support (e.g., recruiting, payroll and benefit administration, employee relations and training) as well as the maintenance and management of corporate facilities.

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Lastly, EA worked closely and coordinated with local government partners and Emergency Operations Centers ("EOCs") in FPL's service territory. EA also provided oversight of the Emergency Response Team ("ERT") which is the team that staffs all of the local EOCs within the FPL service territory that are activated during a storm or other emergency event.

#### Q. What did these business units do to prepare for Hurricane Matthew?

Each of the business units prepared for storm events throughout the year as part of their participation in annual corporate-level training drills. Additionally, M&C established Core Emergency Response Plans that outlined emergency communication roles, responsibilities, functional processes and messaging for multiple types of incidents, including severe weather. IT was involved in all aspects of establishing and maintaining communications systems and applications to facilitate restoration efforts. HRCS supported the storm efforts with a large focus on employee support and communication, along with the security of FPL facilities. EA ensured a key point of contact for

1		addressing any questions or issues raised by local government officials and
2		established a clear line of communication to limit confusion and increase
3		awareness about restoration efforts. EA also managed the ERT, which reports
4		to the Liaison Officer during emergency and/or extreme weather events.
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6		The ERT is comprised of approximately 70 employees from various business
7		units who staff the county EOCs. The ERT reports to the EA managers for
8		those locations, coordinates special crews serving the EOCs and submits any
9		requests for information or action to EA at FPL's Command Center.
10	Q.	Please explain the role of M&C, IT, HRCS and EA during the time
11		Hurricane Matthew was impacting FPL's service territory.
12	A.	For M&C, communications to customers, stakeholders and employees began
13		96 hours prior to estimated landfall and continued through and after landfall.
14		M&C's preapproved messaging helped customers understand recommended
15		preparation actions and safety considerations. An integrated team of M&C and
16		Care Center employees engaged with customers one on one using replies,
17		comments, and direct messages on Facebook and Twitter.
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19		IT resources were deployed at FPL facilities and in the field to provide all
20		needed technological support.
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22		HRCS prepared and safeguarded physical assets and managed increased
23		janitorial demands, completed repairs and clean up at the Company's facilities

following the storm, and assisted employees with anything from temporary housing to storm-related finances. Additionally, the HRCS compensation and payroll teams provided communication, policy and procedure updates to employees and answered their inquiries.

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EA proactively and reactively communicated with local elected officials in the impacted counties and oversaw the EOC representatives staffed in the impacted EOCs. Specific outreach activities included sending email updates to local elected stakeholders, fielding and responding to stakeholder questions, concerns and input, and personally meeting with stakeholders as often as possible.

## Q. Did any of the business units in the "General" category retain contractors to assist?

Yes. M&C utilized contractors to provide support for various functions including visual communication support (videography and photography); social media staffing (monitoring, writing and posting content); technical support for digital communications; and media support. M&C contractors provided crucial services in assisting FPL staff to communicate timely information to customers affected by Hurricane Matthew – via television, radio, newspaper and online media outreach. The contractors primarily supported the production of images and messaging regarding the current status of FPL's massive effort to restore electric service, as well as safety information urging customers to take precautions to prevent potentially

1		severe, life-threatening injuries due to downed power lines and other unsafe
2		conditions caused by the hurricane.
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4		IT utilized a contractor that provided services to support the Trouble Call
5		Management System ("TCMSII"), which tracks outage tickets and trouble
6		reports during restoration.
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8		HRCS retained and managed contractors for building services and
9		maintenance. After the storm passed, these assets were returned to normal
10		operations, following damage assessment and necessary repairs. Contractors
11		were also retained for debris removal at corporate offices, substations and
12		service centers and the replacement of any damaged vegetation as required by
13		the towns, cities and counties.
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15		EA retained contractors to repair localized solar plant sites and clear debris
16		and lines to help open roads immediately after the storm passed so that
17		emergency and restoration personnel could safely navigate the roads as soon
18		as possible.
19	Q.	Please identify the costs attributable to the activities taken by the business
20		units in the "General" category.
21	A.	Total costs incurred by the business units included in the "General" category
22		were approximately \$3.5 million, the majority of which was related to payroll
23		and contractor expenses.

#### V. CUSTOMER SERVICE

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- 3 Q. Please provide an overview of FPL's Customer Service operations.
- 4 A. FPL's Customer Service organization is responsible for developing and
- 5 executing policies, processes and systems related to contacts with customers.
- This includes customer care centers; customer service field operations, which
- 7 is responsible for account management for large commercial/industrial and
- 8 governmental customers and other field-related activities; complaint
- 9 resolution; billing and payment processes; smart meter network operations;
- development and implementation of FPL's Demand Side Management
- programs; and credit and collections activities.
- 12 Q. Please explain what Customer Service does to prepare for extreme
- weather events such as Hurricane Matthew.
  - A. In preparation for extreme weather events, Customer Service executes on
- emergency response plans that are established well in advance. These plans
- are tested annually through both business unit and corporate drills and
- workshops designed to improve resiliency and effectiveness. In addition,
- annual training and awareness of storm roles and responsibilities begin in
- March and extend through the beginning of storm season. Extensive training
- 20 is conducted in both an instructor-led classroom setting and via online
- coursework, where applicable.

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Q. Please explain Customer Service's role when Hurricane Matthew was
 impacting FPL's service territory.

During the time Hurricane Matthew was impacting FPL's service territory, Customer Service primarily handled communications from customers reporting outages and hazardous conditions. Customer Service executed a plan that included increasing staffing at GC Services (FPL's customer call center partner located in Texas) and having a group of Customer Care employees "ride the storm" at FPL's Miami call center, allowing them to handle outage-related calls in real time as the storm passed through FPL's territory. Post landfall, Customer Service employees reported to their storm roles as soon as it was safe to do so. This included increasing staffing at the FPL Customer Care centers by bringing in customer service employees from other departments and extending daily schedules to 12-hour shifts covering 24 hours/day.

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In addition, Customer Service advisors worked with FPL's governmental and major accounts to conduct proactive outreach about power restoration efforts and handled restoration inquiries directly from these customers. Community Action Teams were also deployed post storm to the hardest hit areas to provide customer service support to the community. Customer Service representatives set up and staffed tents in the neighborhoods to assist customers with reporting outages, provide restoration updates and information on local resources (e.g., Red Cross, FEMA), and provide assistance such as

1 cell phone charging stations, WIFI and water. Customer Service assessed the 2 impact Hurricane Matthew had on FPL's Smart Meter network and the 3 communication status of network devices, conducted back-office analyses and field investigations, and repaired or replaced non-communicating devices. During restoration, Customer Service was also responsible, along with Power 5 6 Delivery, for handling customer complaints related to Hurricane Matthew. **Did Customer Service retain contractors to assist?** 7 Q. 8 A. Yes. As part of its normal business operations, FPL partners with GC 9 Services to handle customer calls and also uses electrical contractor services 10 for smart meter network maintenance and restoration. For Hurricane 11 Matthew, FPL contracted with a vendor to provide business continuity trailers 12 that included a complete mobile-computing environment for Customer Care 13 phone agents to take calls and conduct business operations. 14 Q. Please identify the costs attributable to the activities taken by Customer 15 Service. 16 Customer Service incurred approximately \$1.5 million in storm-related costs, A. 17 the majority of which were related to payroll and contractor services. 18 19 20 21 22

1		VI. PGD
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3	Q.	Please provide an overview of FPL's PGD operations.
4	A.	PGD operates and maintains all non-nuclear power generation for FPL's
5		customers. The fleet includes approximately 21,000 MW of simple and
6		combined-cycle generating units.
7	Q.	Please explain the processes utilized by PGD to prepare for Hurricane
8		Matthew.
9	A.	PGD has an emergency response plan that is used to facilitate storm response
10		efforts. Every plant has site-specific procedures for securing equipment,
11		identifying personnel that will prepare for and ride out the storm at the plant,
12		and performing storm restoration as quickly as possible after the storm.
13	Q.	Please explain the role of PGD during restoration following Hurricane
14		Matthew.
15	A.	PGD's mission was to ensure that any plants shut down or damaged by
16		Hurricane Matthew were restored to provide electric generation to customers
17		safely and as quickly as possible. The only plant that was shut down due to
18		Hurricane Matthew's winds impacting the site was the Cape Canaveral Next
19		Generation Clean Energy Center. The plant was restored to service as soon
20		as the storm passed and post-storm assessments were completed.
21	Q.	Did PGD retain contractors to assist?
22	A.	Yes. PGD retained contractors to assist primarily with embankment
23		stabilization at the Cape Canaveral Next Generation Clean Energy Center.

These costs were for permitting, mobilization and demobilization, materials,
project management and execution. There were approximately 1,000 tons of
rip-rap material deployed for shoreline restoration, and fence repairs were
also performed. At FPL's Martin Next Generation Clean Energy Center,
contractor costs were primarily associated with cooling pond vegetation
removal at the water intakes, but also included design and survey costs for
engineering on shoreline restoration. Additionally, contractors were retained
for storm preparations and site cleanup support for FPL's Riviera Beach
Clean Energy Center and West County Energy Center.

### 10 Q. Please identify the costs attributable to the activities undertaken by PGD.

11 A. PGD incurred approximately \$1.1 million in storm-related costs, the majority
12 of which were related to payroll and contractor services.

#### VII. CONCLUSION

- Q. Were the activities of Nuclear, Customer Service, PGD, and the business units discussed in the "General" category reasonable and prudent as part of FPL's overall response to Hurricane Matthew?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. Does this conclude your direct testimony?
- 21 A. Yes.

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- Q. Please state your name and business address.
- 2 A. My name is Tiffany C. Cohen, and my business address is Florida Power & Light
- 3 Company, 700 Universe Boulevard, Juno Beach, Florida 33408.
- 4 Q. By whom are you employed and what is your position?
- 5 A. I am employed by Florida Power & Light Company ("FPL" or the "Company") as
- 6 Director, Rates & Tariffs.

- 7 Q. Please describe your duties and responsibilities in that position.
- 8 A. I am responsible for developing the appropriate rate design and for administration
- 9 of the Company's electric rates and charges. Additionally, I am responsible for
- the Company's cost of service and load research studies.
- 11 Q. Please describe your educational background and professional experience.
- 12 A. I hold a Bachelor of Science Degree in Commerce and Business Administration,
- with a major in Accounting from the University of Alabama. I obtained a Master
- of Business Administration from the University of New Orleans. I am also a
- 15 Certified Public Accountant. Since joining FPL in 2008, I have held positions of
- increasing responsibility within the Company's Regulatory Affairs Organization
- and was promoted to my current role in December 2017. Prior to joining FPL, I
- was employed at Duke Energy for five years, where I held a variety of positions
- in the Rates & Regulatory Division, including managing rate cases, Corporate
- 20 Risk Management, and Internal Audit departments. Prior to joining Duke Energy,
- I was employed at KPMG, LLP.

- 1 Q. Are you sponsoring any exhibits with this testimony?
- 2 A. Yes. As discussed below, I will sponsor pending Exhibit TCC-1 Actual
- Revenues Under 2017 Interim Storm Charge, which will be filed on or before
- 4 April 1, 2018.
- 5 Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?
- 6 A. My testimony provides the Company's proposal to true-up for any final over or
- 7 under recovery amounts related to the 2017 Interim Storm Restoration Recovery
- 8 Charge ("2017 Interim Storm Charge") that became effective March 1, 2017 and
- 9 terminates on February 28, 2018.
- 10 Q. Please describe the 2017 Interim Storm Charge.
- 11 A. The 2017 Interim Storm Charge was designed to recover estimated storm
- restoration costs related to Hurricane Matthew and to replenish FPL's storm
- reserve. It was approved by the Florida Public Service Commission
- 14 ("Commission" or "FPSC") in Order No. PSC-17-0055-PCO-EI, to become
- effective for a 12-month period beginning March 1, 2017. The Commission
- stated in its Order that, "Once the total actual storm costs are known, FPL shall
- be required to file documentation of the storm costs for Commission review and
- true up of any excess or shortfall."
- 19 Q. How will FPL determine any final true-up amount related to the 2017
- 20 Interim Storm Charge, and what is the Company's proposal to refund or
- charge customers for any excess or shortfall?
- 22 A. FPL will compare the final Recoverable Storm Amount approved for recovery by
- 23 the Commission to the actual revenue received from the 2017 Interim Storm

1	Charge in order to determine any excess or shortfall in recovery. Interest will be
2	applied to the variance, at the 30-day commercial paper rate contemplated in
3	Rule 25-6.109. Thereafter, FPL will make a compliance filing with the
4	Commission that sets forth the calculation of the appropriate true-up rates to apply
5	to customer bills for a one-month period in order to refund the excess or collect
6	the shortfall. The true-up rates will be designed in a manner that is consistent
7	with the cost allocation used in the original 2017 Interim Storm Charge rates filed
8	and approved in this docket. FPL will apply the true-up rates to customer bills
9	starting on Cycle Day 1 of the first month that is more than 30 days after
10	Commission approval.

### 11 Q. How will FPL notify the Commission of the actual revenue received from the 12 **2017 Interim Storm Charge?**

- A. FPL will file a supplement to my direct testimony, in the form of an exhibit designated as TCC-1, on or before April 1, 2018, that shows the actual revenue received. I will then sponsor Exhibit TCC-1 at the hearing in this proceeding.
- 16 Q. How will FPL notify its customers of the billing change that is going to occur?
- A. FPL will notify customers of the change in their rates at least 30 days in advance in the form of a message on their bill, with more detailed information regarding the revised 2017 Interim Storm Charge tariff provided on FPL's website, www.FPL.com/rates.
- 22 Q. Does this conclude your direct testimony?
- 23 A. Yes.