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2 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: 01 docket. Staff,  
3 preliminary matters.

4 Mic. All right, it's on.

5 MS. BROWNLESS: It's on. Okay, I will start  
6 over.

7 Opening statements, if any, are limited to  
8 five minutes per party. Issues 1B and 1C address  
9 the April 2017 outage at DEF's Bartow Unit 4 and  
10 have been referred by Chairman Graham to the  
11 Division of Administrative Hearings for a hearing  
12 at a later date.

13 Bartow replacement costs have been included in  
14 dollar amounts for Issues 8, 10, 18, 20 and 22.  
15 These dollar amounts will be trued up and  
16 appropriate adjustments made in the 2020 fuel  
17 docket consistent with the Commission's decision on  
18 those issues.

19 Issue 2H, the cost-effectiveness of FPL's 2020  
20 SoBRA projects has been contested by FIPUG and will  
21 have to be voted on. Issue 2H was incorrectly  
22 listed as a proposed stipulation in the prehearing  
23 order at page 32, and I apologize for that.

24 There is also now a Type 2 stipulation for  
25 Issue No. 37, the close the docket issue listed in

1 the prehearing order on page 19.

2 Issue 22, the fuel cost recovery factors for  
3 each rate class delivery voltage level class,  
4 adjusted for line losses. The stipulated position  
5 for DEF stated on page 45 of the prehearing order  
6 is incorrect. DEF has provided the correct  
7 stipulation which has been provided to all parties  
8 and to all Commissioners and will be reflected in  
9 the final order if approved today.

10 All other issues are Type 2 stipulations and  
11 can be voted upon today.

12 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: All right. Staff, let's  
13 address the prefiled testimony.

14 MS. BROWNLESS: It is our understanding that  
15 the following witnesses have been excused and the  
16 prefiled testimony of Menendez, Garcia, McClay,  
17 Daniel, Deaton, Yupp, Coffey, Rote, Fuentes,  
18 Brannen, Enjamio, Anderson, Young, Napier,  
19 Cutshaw -- Cutshaw, Boyett, Nicholson, Rusk,  
20 Buckley, Caldwell, Cain, Smith, Heisey, Terkawi,  
21 Ojada and Dobiac have been stipulated to by the  
22 parties. We would ask that the prefiled testimony  
23 of these witnesses be moved into the record at this  
24 time.

25 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: If there is no objections,



1           we will move the prefiled testimony of all those  
2           witnesses into the record.

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**DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA, LLC**

**DOCKET NO. 20190001-EI**

**Fuel and Capacity Cost Recovery  
Actual True-Up for the Period  
January 2018 - December 2018**

**DIRECT TESTIMONY OF  
Christopher A. Menendez**

**March 1, 2019**

1 **Q. Please state your name and business address.**

2 A. My name is Christopher A. Menendez. My business address is 299 First  
3 Avenue North, St. Petersburg, Florida 33701.

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5 **Q. By whom are you employed and in what capacity?**

6 A. I am employed by Duke Energy Florida, LLC, as Rates and Regulatory  
7 Strategy Manager.

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9 **Q. What are your responsibilities in that position?**

10 A. I am responsible for regulatory planning and cost recovery for Duke Energy  
11 Florida, LLC ("DEF" or the "Company"). These responsibilities include  
12 completion of regulatory financial reports and analysis of state, federal and  
13 local regulations and their impacts on DEF. In this capacity, I am  
14 responsible for DEF's Final True-Up, Actual/Estimated Projection and  
15 Projection Filings in the Fuel Adjustment Clause, Capacity Cost Recovery  
16 Clause and Environmental Cost Recovery Clause.

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1 **Q. Please describe your educational background and professional**  
2 **experience.**

3 A. I joined the Company on April 7, 2008 as a Senior Financial Specialist in  
4 the Florida Planning & Strategy group. In that capacity, I supported the  
5 development of long-term financial forecasts and the development of  
6 current-year monthly earnings and cash flow projections. In 2011, I  
7 accepted a position as a Senior Business Financial Analyst in the Power  
8 Generation Florida Finance organization. In that capacity, I provided  
9 accounting and financial analysis support to various generation facilities  
10 in DEF's Fossil fleet. In 2013, I accepted a position as a Senior  
11 Regulatory Specialist. In that capacity, I supported the preparation of  
12 testimony and exhibits for the Fuel Docket as well as other Commission  
13 Dockets. In October 2014, I was promoted to my current position. Prior  
14 to working at DEF, I was the Manager of Inventory Accounting and  
15 Control for North American Operations at Cott Beverages. In this role, I  
16 was responsible for inventory-related accounting and inventory control  
17 functions for Cott-owned manufacturing plants in the United States and  
18 Canada. I received a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting from the  
19 University of South Florida, and I am a Certified Public Accountant in the  
20 State of Florida.

1 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

2 A. The purpose of my testimony is to provide DEF's Fuel Adjustment Clause  
3 final true-up amount for the period of January 2018 through December 2018,  
4 and DEF's Capacity Cost Recovery Clause final true-up amount for the same  
5 period.

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7 **Q. Have you prepared exhibits to your testimony?**

8 A. Yes, I have prepared and attached to my true-up testimony as Exhibit No.  
9 \_\_\_\_(CAM-1T), a Fuel Adjustment Clause true-up calculation and related  
10 schedules; Exhibit No. \_\_\_\_(CAM-2T), a Capacity Cost Recovery Clause true-  
11 up calculation and related schedules; Exhibit No. \_\_\_\_(CAM-3T), Schedules A1  
12 through A3, A6, and A12 for December 2018, year-to-date; and Exhibit No.  
13 \_\_\_\_(CAM-4T), with DEF's capital structure and cost rates. Schedules A1  
14 through A9, and A12 for the year ended December 31, 2018, were filed with  
15 the Commission on January 29, 2019.

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17 **Q. What is the source of the data that you will present by way of testimony**  
18 **or exhibits in this proceeding?**

19 A. Unless otherwise indicated, the actual data is taken from the books and  
20 records of the Company. The books and records are kept in the regular  
21 course of business in accordance with generally accepted accounting  
22 principles and practices, and provisions of the Uniform System of Accounts

1 as prescribed by this Commission. The Company relies on the information  
2 included in this testimony in the conduct of its affairs.

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4 **Q. Would you please summarize your testimony?**

5 A. Per Order No. PSC-2018-0610-FOF-EI, the estimated 2018 fuel adjustment  
6 true-up amount was an under-recovery of \$148.5 million. The actual under-  
7 recovery for 2018 was \$202.9 million resulting in a final fuel adjustment true-  
8 up under-recovery amount of \$54.4 million. Exhibit No. \_\_\_\_(CAM-1T).

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10 The estimated 2018 capacity cost recovery true-up amount was an over-  
11 recovery of \$16.6 million. The actual amount for 2018 was an over-recovery  
12 of \$15.8 million resulting in a final capacity true-up under-recovery amount of  
13 \$0.8 million. Exhibit No. \_\_\_\_(CAM-2T).

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15 **FUEL COST RECOVERY**

16 **Q. What is DEF's jurisdictional ending balance as of December 31, 2018**  
17 **for fuel cost recovery?**

18 A. The actual ending balance as of December 31, 2018 for true-up purposes is  
19 an under-recovery of \$202,879,590.

1 **Q. How does this amount compare to DEF's estimated 2018 ending**  
2 **balance included in the Company's Actual/Estimated Filing?**

3 A. The actual true-up amount attributable to the January 2018 - December 2018  
4 period is an under-recovery of \$202,879,590 which is \$54,428,676 higher  
5 than the re-projected year end under-recovery balance of \$148,450,915.

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7 **Q. How was the final true-up ending balance determined?**

8 A. The amount was determined in the manner set forth on Schedule A2 of the  
9 Commission's standard forms previously submitted by the Company on a  
10 monthly basis.

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12 **Q. What factors contributed to the period-ending jurisdictional net under-**  
13 **recovery of \$54,428,676 shown on your Exhibit No. \_\_ (CAM-1T)?**

14 A. The \$54.4 million is driven in part by a shift from coal to gas generation  
15 resulting in increased gas generation and purchased power costs of  
16 approximately \$97.6 million partially offset by reduced coal generation  
17 expense of \$44.7 million.

1 **Q. Please explain the components shown on Exhibit No. \_\_ (CAM-1T),**  
2 **sheet 6 of 6, which helps to explain the \$52.6 million unfavorable**  
3 **system variance from the projected cost of fuel and net purchased**  
4 **power transactions.**

5 A. Exhibit No. \_\_ (CAM-1T), sheet 6 of 6 is an analysis of the system dollar  
6 variance for each energy source in terms of three interrelated components;  
7 (1) changes in the amount (MWH's) of energy required; (2) changes in the  
8 heat rate of generated energy (BTU's per kWh); and (3) changes in the  
9 unit price of either fuel consumed for generation (\$ per million BTU) or energy  
10 purchases and sales (cents per kWh). The \$52.6 million unfavorable system  
11 variance is mainly attributable to increased natural gas generation and  
12 purchased power, in part from a shift from coal to gas, partially offset by  
13 reduced coal generation.

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15 **Q. Does this period ending true-up balance include any noteworthy**  
16 **adjustments to fuel expense?**

17 A. Yes. Noteworthy adjustments are shown on Exhibit No. \_\_ (CAM-3T) in the  
18 footnote to line 6b on page 1 of 2, Schedule A2.

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20 Consistent with Order No. PSC-2018-0240-PAA-EQ dated June 8, 2018,  
21 DEF included an adjustment of \$7,276,033 (grossed up to \$7,326,228 from  
22 retail to system) for amortization of the Florida Power Development, LLC  
23 ("FPD") qualifying facility regulatory asset. This adjustment is shown on

1 Exhibit No. \_\_\_(CAM-3T), in the footnotes to Line 6b on page 1 of 2,  
2 Schedule A2, and on line 3, page 1 of 2, Schedule A1. An estimated  
3 adjustment of \$6,232,811 (grossed up to \$6,266,531 from retail to system)  
4 for FPD regulatory asset amortization was included on Schedule E1-B (sheet  
5 2), line A5, columns Aug Estimated through Dec Estimated in the 2018  
6 Actual/Estimated Filing on July 27, 2018.

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8 **Q. Did DEF make an adjustment for changes in coal inventory based on an**  
9 **Aerial Survey?**

10 A. Yes. DEF included an adjustment of approximately \$5.4 million to coal  
11 inventory attributable to the semi-annual aerial surveys conducted on June  
12 5, 2018 and November 16, 2018 in accordance with Docket No. 19970001-  
13 EI, Order No. PSC-1997-0359-FOF-EI. This adjustment represents 1.96%  
14 of the total coal consumed at the Crystal River facility in 2018.

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16 **Q. Did DEF exceed the economy sales threshold in 2018?**

17 A. Yes. DEF did exceed the gain on economy sales threshold of \$1.8 million in  
18 2018. As reported on Schedule A1-2, Line 11a, the gain for the year-to-date  
19 period through December 2018 was approximately \$2.3 million. Consistent  
20 with Order No. PSC-01-2371-FOF-EI, shareholders retain 20% of the gain in  
21 excess of the three-year rolling average. For 2018, that amount is  
22 approximately \$0.09 million.



1 **Q. Has the three-year rolling average gain on economy sales included in**  
 2 **the Company's filing for the November 2018 hearings been updated to**  
 3 **incorporate actual data for all of year 2018?**

4 A. Yes. DEF has calculated its three-year rolling average gain on economy  
 5 sales, based entirely on actual data for calendar years 2016 through 2018,  
 6 as follows:

	<u>Year</u>	<u>Actual Gain</u>
	2016	\$ 843,842
	2017	\$ 887,370
	2018	<u>\$2,269,916</u>
Three-Year Average		<u>\$1,333,709</u>

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 14 **Q. Can you explain DEF's methodology for calculating the Time-of-Use**  
 15 **("TOU") fuel factors?**

16 A. Yes. Commission Order 9661, issued on November 26, 1980, established  
 17 the current Winter and Summer seasons and applicable on- and off-peak  
 18 times for each. Within the on- and off-peak periods defined in Order 9661,  
 19 DEF's uses marginal cost to develop TOU on- and off-peak fuel multipliers  
 20 ("TOU fuel multipliers"); these are presented each year in Schedule E1-E in  
 21 DEF's Fuel Projection Filing. The TOU fuel multipliers are then applied to the  
 22 levelized fuel rate, at secondary metering, to calculate the on- and off-peak  
 23 fuel factors ("TOU fuel factors"). In Order No. PSC-2011-0216-PAA-EI, the

1 Commission directed Florida Power & Light (“FPL”) to investigate the use of  
2 marginal cost in the calculation of the TOU fuel factors; at that time, FPL  
3 calculated the TOU fuel factors using projected on- and off-peak average  
4 cost. The Commission stated in Order No. PSC-2011-0216-PAA-EI that  
5 “[u]sing marginal fuel costs to set TOU fuel factors...increases the on- and  
6 off-peak differential, sending a stronger price signal.” In Order No. PSC-  
7 2011-0579-FOF-EI, the Commission approved FPL’s switch from average to  
8 marginal cost for the 2012 projected TOU Fuel Factors. DEF follows the  
9 Commission’s guidance by utilizing marginal cost in to develop the TOU fuel  
10 multipliers. Additionally, the Commission has approved DEF’s TOU fuel  
11 factors each year in the Fuel docket.

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13 **Q. Did DEF evaluate the need for adjustments to the on- and off-peak TOU**  
14 **fuel cost factors, as described in the Stipulation to Issue 22 in Order**  
15 **No. PSC-2018-0610-FOF-EI?**

16 A. Yes. DEF evaluated alternative methods of calculating the TOU fuel factors.  
17 The first method is the approved marginal cost calculation, as described  
18 above. The second was the use of average cost, rather than marginal cost,  
19 in the development of the TOU Multipliers. The third method was the  
20 implementation of an artificial c/kWh spread between the TOU fuel factors.

1 **Q. Can you please explain the results of the evaluations?**

2 A. Yes. The evaluation of these three methods utilized the same fuel forecast  
3 used to develop DEF's 2019 Fuel Projection Filing and 2019 fuel factors.  
4 This allows for an apples-to-apples comparison between the various  
5 methods.

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7 The first method used marginal cost to develop the TOU multipliers. This is  
8 the current method used by DEF.

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10 The Average Cost method utilizes the average on- and off-peak costs to  
11 develop the TOU multipliers. This method almost eliminates entirely the  
12 spread between the TOU multipliers, resulting in TOU fuel factors that are  
13 essentially the same as the levelized rate.

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15 The third method involved the development of an artificial c/kWh spread  
16 between the TOU fuel factors. The calculation method is based on the  
17 Residential 1<sup>st</sup> Tier calculation and was developed in a revenue-neutral  
18 manner when compared to the current marginal cost TOU process. This  
19 method first determines the projected on- and off-peak MWh sales for the  
20 non-Residential classes with optional TOU factors (GS-1, GSD, CS, IS and  
21 SS). This was done by separating the projected 2019 MWh sales for these  
22 rate classes into on- and off-peak based on the most recent full year actual  
23 performance. The projected 2019 TOU revenues were determined by

1 multiplying the projected on- and off-peak 2019 MWh sales by the 2019 TOU  
2 fuel factors developed under the current marginal cost process. An artificial  
3 c/kWh spread is then calculated by applying the Residential 1<sup>st</sup> Tier formula,  
4 whereas the lower first tier becomes the off-peak fuel factor and the higher  
5 second tier becomes the on-peak fuel factor. Under this method, the amount  
6 of the c/kWh spread would need to be defined and approved by the  
7 Commission. A change in the TOU fuel factor calculation, using the artificial  
8 c/kWh spread method, will impact the fuel component of customer bills  
9 differently. Some customers will experience an increase in the fuel  
10 component of their bill, while others will see a reduction as compared to the  
11 current marginal cost method. The number of increases versus reductions  
12 to customer bills may be asymmetrical under an artificial spread scenario, for  
13 example more total customers could experience an increase than those  
14 experiencing a reduction.

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16 **Q. Based on DEF's evaluation, is DEF recommending an adjustment to the**  
17 **current calculation of the on- and off-peak fuel factors?**

18 A. DEF does not believe any adjustments to the current calculation are  
19 necessary. DEF follows Commission guidance by utilizing marginal cost in  
20 the TOU fuel factor process. Despite the spread between the on- and off-  
21 peak TOU fuel multipliers narrowing in recent years, DEF believes that  
22 marginal cost still sends an accurate price signal to customers and aligns the  
23 TOU fuel cost incurred with the TOU MWhs causing that cost.

## CAPACITY COST RECOVERY

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**Q. What is the Company's jurisdictional ending balance as of December 31, 2018 for capacity cost recovery?**

A. The actual ending balance as of December 31, 2018 for true-up purposes is an over-recovery of \$15,765,080.

**Q. How does this amount compare to the estimated 2018 ending balance included in the Company's Actual/estimated Filing?**

A. When the estimated 2018 over-recovery of \$16,610,473 is compared to the \$15,765,080 actual over-recovery, the final capacity true-up for the twelve-month period ended December 2018 is an under-recovery of \$845,393.

**Q. Is this true-up calculation consistent with the true-up methodology used for the other cost recovery clauses?**

A. Yes. The calculation of the final net true-up amount follows the procedures established by the Commission in Order No. PSC-1996-1172-FOF-EI. The true-up amount was determined in the manner set forth on the Commission's standard forms previously submitted by the Company on a monthly basis.

1 **Q. What factors contributed to the actual period-end capacity under-**  
2 **recovery of \$0.8 million?**

3 A. Exhibit No. \_\_ (CAM-2T, sheet 1 of 3) compares actual results to the original  
4 projection for the period. The \$0.8 million under-recovery is primarily due to  
5 higher than estimated costs.

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7 **Q. Does this conclude your direct true-up testimony?**

8 A. Yes.

1 **DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA, LLC**

2 **DOCKET No. 20190001-EI**

3 **Fuel and Capacity Cost Recovery**  
4 **Actual/Estimated True-Up Amounts**  
5 **January through December 2019**

6 **DIRECT TESTIMONY OF**  
7 **Christopher A. Menendez**

8 **July 26, 2019**

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10 **Q. Please state your name and business address.**

11 A. My name is Christopher A. Menendez. My business address is 299 1<sup>st</sup>  
12 Avenue North, St. Petersburg, Florida 33701.

13  
14 **Q. Have you previously filed testimony before this Commission in**  
15 **Docket No. 20190001-EI?**

16 A. Yes. I provided direct testimony on March 1, 2019.

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18 **Q: Has your job description, education, background and professional**  
19 **experience changed since that time?**

20 A. No.

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22 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

23 A. The purpose of my testimony is to present for Commission approval the  
24 actual/estimated fuel and capacity cost recovery true-up amounts of Duke

1 Energy Florida, LLC (“DEF” or the “Company”) for the period of January  
2 through December 2019.

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4 **Q. Do you have an exhibit to your testimony?**

5 A. Yes. I have prepared Exhibit No. \_\_ (CAM-2), which is attached to my  
6 prepared testimony, consisting of two parts. Part 1 consists of Schedules  
7 E1-B through E9, which include the calculation of the 2019  
8 actual/estimated fuel and purchased power true-up balance, and a  
9 schedule to support the capital structure components and cost rates relied  
10 upon to calculate the return requirements on all capital projects recovered  
11 through the fuel clause as required per Order No. PSC-2018-0079-PCO-  
12 EI. Part 2 consists of Schedules E12-A through E12-C, which include the  
13 calculation of the 2019 actual/estimated capacity true-up balance. The  
14 calculations in my exhibit are based on actual data from January through  
15 June 2019 and estimated data from July through December 2019.

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#### **FUEL COST RECOVERY**

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19 **Q. What is the amount of DEF’s 2019 estimated fuel true-up balance and**  
20 **how was it developed?**

21 A. DEF’s estimated fuel true-up balance is an under-recovery of  
22 \$14,462,684. The calculation begins with the actual under-recovered  
23 balance of \$179,798,727 taken from Schedule A2, page 2 of 2, line 13, for  
24 the month of June 2019. This balance plus the estimated July through



1 December 2019 monthly true-up calculations comprise the estimated  
2 \$14,462,684 under-recovered balance at year-end. The projected  
3 December 2019 true-up balance includes interest which is estimated from  
4 July through December 2019 based on the average of the beginning and  
5 ending commercial paper rate applied in June. That rate is 0.196% per  
6 month.

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8 **Q. How does the current forecast of fuel costs on Schedule E3 for July**  
9 **through December 2019 compare with the same period forecast used**  
10 **in the Company's 2019 projection filing approved in Order No. PSC-**  
11 **2018-0610-FOF-EI?**

12 A. Natural gas decreased \$0.56/mmbtu (-13%), and coal and light oil costs  
13 increased \$1.07/mmbtu (35%) and \$1.41/mmbtu (5%), respectively.

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15 **Q. Have any adjustments been made to estimated fuel costs for the**  
16 **period January through December 2019?**

17 A. Yes. Consistent with Order No. PSC-2018-0240-PAA-EQ dated June 8,  
18 2018, DEF included an adjustment of \$14,163,411 (grossed up to  
19 \$14,249,283 from retail to system) for the amortization of Florida Power  
20 Development, LLC qualifying facility regulatory asset from January 2019  
21 through December 2019. This adjustment is included on Schedule E1-B,  
22 line A5, columns Jan Actual through Dec Estimated.

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1 **Q. Does DEF expect to exceed the three-year rolling average gain on**  
2 **non-separated power sales in 2019?**

3 A. Yes. DEF estimates the total gain on non-separated sales during 2019  
4 will be \$1,656,431, which exceeds the three-year rolling average of  
5 \$1,333,710. Consistent with Order No. PSC-01-2371-FOF-EI,  
6 shareholders retain 20% of the gains in excess of the three-year rolling  
7 average. For 2019, this is estimated to be \$64,544.

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9 **CAPACITY COST RECOVERY**

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11 **Q. What is DEF's 2019 estimated capacity true-up balance and how was**  
12 **it developed?**

13 A. DEF's estimated capacity true-up balance is an over-recovery of  
14 \$1,848,509. The estimated true-up calculation begins with the actual  
15 under-recovered balance of \$5,888,777 for the month of June 2019. This  
16 balance plus the estimated July through December 2019 monthly true-up  
17 calculations comprise the estimated \$1,848,509 over-recovered balance  
18 at year-end. The projected December 2019 true-up balance includes  
19 interest which is estimated from July through December 2019 based on  
20 the average of the beginning and ending commercial paper rate applied in  
21 June. That rate is 0.196% per month.

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23 **Q. What are the primary drivers of the estimated year-end 2019 capacity**  
24 **over-recovery?**

1 A. The \$1.8 million over-recovery is primarily attributable to approximately  
2 \$1.4 million lower capacity costs.

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4 **Q. Has DEF included the nuclear cost recovery amounts approved in**  
5 **Order No. PSC-2018-0490-FOF-EI?**

6 A. Yes. DEF has included \$43,827,298 of 2019 recoverable expenses  
7 associated with the CR-3 Uprate project.

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9 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

10 A. Yes.

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**DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA, LLC****DOCKET No. 20190001-EI****Fuel and Capacity Cost Recovery Factors  
January through December 2020****DIRECT TESTIMONY OF  
Christopher A. Menendez****September 3, 2019**

1 **Q. Please state your name and business address.**

2 A. My name is Christopher A. Menendez. My business address is 299 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue  
3 North, St. Petersburg, Florida 33701.

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5 **Q. Have you previously filed testimony before this Commission in Docket**  
6 **No. 20190001-EI?**

7 A. Yes, I provided direct testimony on March 1, 2019 and July 26, 2019.

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9 **Q. Have your duties and responsibilities remained the same since your**  
10 **testimony was last filed in this docket?**

11 A. Yes.

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1 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

2 A. The purpose of my testimony is to present for Commission approval the fuel and  
3 capacity cost recovery factors of Duke Energy Florida, LLC (“DEF” or the  
4 “Company”) for the period of January through December 2020.

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6 **Q. Do you have an exhibit to your testimony?**

7 A. Yes. I have prepared Exhibit No.\_\_(CAM-3), consisting of Parts 1, 2 and 3. Part  
8 1 contains DEF’s forecast assumptions on fuel costs. Part 2 contains fuel cost  
9 recovery (“FCR”) schedules E1 through E10, H1 and the calculation of the  
10 inverted residential fuel rate. I have also included a schedule to support the capital  
11 structure components and cost rates relied upon to calculate the return  
12 requirements on all capital projects recovered through the fuel clause as required  
13 by Order No. PSC-2018-0079-PCO-EI. Part 3 contains capacity cost recovery  
14 (“CCR”) schedules.

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16 **FUEL COST RECOVERY CLAUSE**

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18 **Q. Please describe the fuel cost factors calculated by the Company for the**  
19 **projection period.**

20 A. Schedule E1 shows the calculation of the Company's jurisdictional fuel cost  
21 factor of 3.345 ¢/kWh. This factor consists of a fuel cost for the projection period

1 of 3.2999 ¢/kWh (adjusted for jurisdictional losses), a GPIF reward of 0.0066  
2 ¢/kWh, and an estimated prior period under-recovery true-up of 0.0366 ¢/kWh.  
3 Utilizing this factor, Schedule E1-D shows the calculation and supporting data  
4 for the Company's levelized fuel cost factors for service taken at secondary,  
5 primary and transmission metering voltage levels. To perform this calculation,  
6 effective jurisdictional sales at the secondary level are calculated by applying 1%  
7 and 2% metering reduction factors to primary and  
8 transmission sales, respectively (forecasted at meter level). This is consistent  
9 with the methodology used in the development of the CCR factors.

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11 Schedule E1-D, lines 11-12 show the Company's proposed tiered rates of 3.067  
12 ¢/kWh for the first 1,000 kWh and 4.067 ¢/kWh above 1,000 kWh. These rates  
13 are developed in the "Calculation of Inverted Residential Fuel Rates" schedule  
14 in Part 2 of my exhibit.

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16 Schedule E1-E develops the Time of Use ("TOU") multipliers of 1.286 On-peak  
17 and 0.872 Off-peak. The multipliers are then applied to the levelized fuel cost  
18 factors for each metering voltage level which results in the final TOU fuel factors  
19 to be applied to customer bills during the projection period.

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1 **Q. What is the amount of the 2019 net true-up that DEF has included in the**  
2 **fuel cost recovery factor for 2020?**

3 A. DEF has included a projected under-recovery of \$14,462,684. This amount  
4 includes a projected actual/estimated over-recovery for 2019 of \$39,965,991, a  
5 final 2018 true-up net under-recovery of \$54,428,676 as shown in my Direct  
6 Testimony filed on March 1, 2019.

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8 **Q. What is the change in the levelized residential fuel factor for the projection**  
9 **period from the fuel factor currently in effect?**

10 A. The projected levelized residential fuel factor for 2020 of 3.350 ¢/kWh is a  
11 decrease of 0.624 ¢/kWh or 16% from the 2019 levelized residential fuel factor  
12 of 3.974 ¢/kWh.

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14 **Q. Please explain the decrease in the 2020 fuel factor compared with the 2019**  
15 **fuel factor.**

16 A. The primary drivers of the decrease in the 2020 fuel factor are a decrease in  
17 jurisdictional fuel and purchased power expense of approximately \$109 million,  
18 decrease in the prior period true-up of approximately \$134 million partially offset  
19 by an increase in the GPIF amount of approximately \$5 million.

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1 **Q. Have you made any adjustments to your estimated fuel costs for the period**  
2 **January through December 2020?**

3 A. Yes. Consistent with Order No. PSC-2018-0240-PAA-EQ dated May 8, 2018,  
4 DEF included an adjustment of approximately \$13.6 million (grossed up to  
5 approximately \$13.7 million from retail to system) for the amortization of Florida  
6 Power Development, LLC qualifying facility regulatory asset from January  
7 through December 2020 partially offset by an approximate \$13.2 million system  
8 (\$13.1 million retail) credit related to Citrus.

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10 **Q. Is DEF proposing to continue the tiered rate structure for residential**  
11 **customers?**

12 A. Yes. DEF is proposing to continue use of the inverted rate design for residential  
13 fuel factors to encourage energy efficiency and conservation. Specifically, the  
14 Company proposes to continue a two-tiered fuel charge whereby the charge for  
15 a customer's monthly usage in excess of 1,000 kWh (second tier) is priced one  
16 cent per kWh higher than the charge for the customer's usage up to 1,000 kWh  
17 (first tier). The 1,000 kWh price change breakpoint is reasonable in that  
18 approximately 72% of all residential energy is consumed in the first tier and 28%  
19 of all energy is consumed in the second tier. The Company believes the one  
20 cent higher per unit price, targeted at the second tier of the residential class'  
21 energy consumption, will promote energy efficiency and conservation. This



1 inverted rate design was incorporated in the Company's base rates approved in  
2 Order No. PSC-2002-0655-AS-EI.

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4 **Q. How was the inverted fuel rate calculated?**

5 A. I have included a page in Part 2 of my exhibit that shows the calculation of the  
6 fuel cost factors for the two tiers of the residential rate. The two factors are  
7 calculated on a revenue neutral basis so that the Company will recover the same  
8 fuel costs as it would under the traditional levelized approach. The two-tiered  
9 factors are determined by first calculating the amount of revenues that would be  
10 generated by the overall levelized residential factor of 3.350 ¢/kWh shown on  
11 Schedule E1-D. The two factors are then calculated by allocating the total  
12 revenues to the two tiers for residential customers based on the total annual  
13 energy usage for each tier.

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15 **Q. How do DEF's projected gains on non-separated wholesale energy sales  
16 for 2020 compare to the incentive benchmark?**

17 A. The total gain on non-separated sales for 2019 is estimated to be \$1,371,287  
18 which is below the benchmark of \$1,604,573. 100% of gains below the  
19 benchmark and 80% of gains above the benchmark will be distributed to  
20 customers based on the sharing mechanism approved by the Commission in  
21 Order No. PSC-2000-1744-PAA-EI. Therefore, since the total gain on non-

1 separated sales was below the benchmark, none of the gains will be retained for  
2 shareholders. The benchmark was calculated based on the average of actual  
3 gains for 2017 and 2018 of \$887,370 and \$2,269,916, respectively, and  
4 estimated gains for 2019 of \$1,656,431 in accordance with Order No. PSC-2000-  
5 1744-PAA-EI.

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7 **Q. Please explain the entry on Schedule E1, line 11, "Fuel Cost of Stratified**  
8 **Sales."**

9 A. DEF has several wholesale contracts with SECI. One contract provides for the  
10 sale of supplemental energy to supply the portion of their load in excess of  
11 SECI's own resources. The fuel costs charged to SECI for supplemental sales  
12 are calculated on a "stratified" basis in a manner which recovers the higher cost  
13 of intermediate/peaking generation used to provide the energy. There are other  
14 contracts with SECI and Reedy Creek for fixed amounts of base, intermediate,  
15 peaking, solar and plant-specific capacity. DEF is crediting average fuel cost of  
16 the appropriate strata in accordance with Order No. PSC-1997-0262-FOF-EI.  
17 The fuel costs of wholesale sales are normally included in the total cost of fuel  
18 and net power transactions used to calculate the average system cost per kWh  
19 for fuel adjustment purposes. However, since the fuel costs of the stratified and  
20 plant-specific sales are not recovered on an average system cost basis, an  
21 adjustment has been made to remove these costs and related kWh sales from

1 the fuel adjustment calculation in the same manner that interchange sales are  
2 removed from the calculation.

3  
4 **Q. Please give a brief overview of the procedure used in developing the**  
5 **projected fuel cost data from which the Company's fuel cost recovery**  
6 **factor was calculated.**

7 A. The process begins with a fuel price forecast and a system sales forecast.  
8 These forecasts are input into the Company's production cost simulation model  
9 along with purchased power information, generating unit operating  
10 characteristics, maintenance schedules, incremental delivered fuel prices and  
11 other pertinent data. The model then computes system fuel consumption and  
12 fuel and purchased power costs. This information is the basis for the calculation  
13 of the Company's fuel cost factors and supporting schedules.

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15 **Q. What is the source of the system sales forecast?**

16 A. System sales are forecasted by the DEF Load and Fundamentals Forecasting  
17 Department using a sales-weighted 30-year average of weather conditions at  
18 the St. Petersburg, Orlando and Tallahassee weather stations, population  
19 projections from the Bureau of Economic and Business Research at the  
20 University of Florida, and economic assumptions from Moody's Analytics.

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1 **Q. What is the source of the Company's fuel price forecast?**

2 A. The fuel price forecasts are based on a combination of third party forecasts and  
3 forward contracts currently in place. Additional details and forecast assumptions  
4 are provided in Part 1 of my exhibit.

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6 **Q. Are current fuel prices the same as those used in the development of the  
7 projected fuel factor?**

8 A. No. Fuel prices can change significantly from day to day. Consistent with past  
9 practices, DEF will continue to monitor fuel prices and update the projection  
10 filing prior to the November hearing if changes in fuel prices warrant such an  
11 update.

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13 **Q. Is the 2018 GPIF reward discussed in the March 15, 2019 direct testimony  
14 of James Bradley Daniel included in 2019 rates?**

15 A. Yes. The GPIF reward of \$2,591,697 is included on Schedule E1, Line 26 of  
16 Exhibit CAM-3, Part 2.

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18 **Q. Does DEF's Weighted Average Cost of Capital ("WACC") comply with  
19 paragraph 19 of the 2017 Settlement?**

20 A. Yes. The WACC complies with paragraph 19 of the 2017 Settlement.  
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## CAPACITY COST RECOVERY CLAUSE

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3 **Q. Please explain the schedules that are included in Exhibit\_\_(CAM-3) Part 3.**

4 A. The following schedules are included in my exhibit:

5 Schedule E12-A – Calculation of Projected Capacity Costs – Year 2020

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7 Page 1 of Schedule E12-A includes estimated 2020 calendar year system  
8 capacity payments to Qualifying Facilities (“QF”) and other power suppliers. The  
9 retail portion of the capacity payments is calculated using separation factors  
10 consistent with the 2017 Settlement.

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12 The recovery of estimated Dry Casket Storage costs, also referred to as  
13 Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation (“ISFSI”) costs, are included on line  
14 35 of Schedule E12-A, page 1. Schedule E12-A, page 2, provides dates and  
15 MWs associated with the QF and purchase power contracts.

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17 DEF has shown the 2020 Calculation of Projected Capacity Costs on Schedule  
18 E-12A, line 36.

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1        Schedule E12-B – Calculation of Estimated/Actual True-Up - Year 2019

2        Schedule E12-B, which is also included in Exhibit \_\_\_\_(CAM-2) to my direct  
3        testimony filed on July 26, 2019, as part of the 2019 actual/estimated true-up  
4        filing, calculates the estimated true-up capacity over-recovered balance for  
5        calendar year 2019 of \$1,848,509. This balance is carried forward to Schedule  
6        E12-A, line 29 to be refunded to customers from January through December  
7        2020.

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9        Schedule E12-D – Calculation of Energy and Demand Percent by Rate Class

10       Schedule E12-D is the calculation of the 12CP and 1/13 average demand  
11       allocators for each rate class. Schedule E12-D also includes the uniform  
12       percentage calculation and allocation of the ISFSI revenue requirement to the  
13       rate classes.

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15       Schedule E12-E – Calculation of Capacity Cost Recovery Factors by Rate Class

16       Schedule E12-E, page 1 calculates the CCR factors for capacity costs for each  
17       rate class based on the 12CP and 1/13 annual average demand allocators and  
18       ISFSI costs from Schedule E12-D. The factors for capacity for the Residential,  
19       General Service Non-Demand, General Service (GS-2) and Lighting secondary  
20       delivery rate class in cents per kWh are calculated by multiplying total  
21       recoverable jurisdictional capacity (including revenue taxes) from Schedule E12-

1 A by the class demand allocation factor, and then dividing by estimated effective  
2 sales at the secondary metering level. The factor for ISFSI in cents per kWh is  
3 calculated by dividing recoverable costs allocated on Schedule E12-D by  
4 estimated effective sales at the secondary metering level. The factors for  
5 primary and transmission rate classes reflect the application of metering  
6 reduction factors of 1% and 2% from the secondary factor, respectively. The  
7 factors allocate capacity costs to rate classes in the same manner in which they  
8 would be allocated if they were recovered in base rates. ISFSI costs are  
9 allocated to rate classes by applying a uniform percent increase as approved in  
10 Order No. PSC-2016-0425-PAA-EI. Pursuant to the 2013 Revised and Restated  
11 Stipulation and Settlement Agreement approved in Order No. PSC-13-0598-  
12 FOF-EI, DEF has prepared the billing rates for the demand (General Service  
13 Demand, Curtailable, and Interruptible) rate classes to be on a kilo-watt (kW)  
14 rather than a kilo-watt-hour (kWh) basis. These changes are reflected on  
15 Schedule E12-E in columns 11 through 13.

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17 **Q. Has DEF used the most recent load research information in the**  
18 **development of its capacity cost allocation factors?**

19 A. Yes. The 12CP load factor relationships from DEF's most recent load research  
20 conducted for the period April 2017 through March 2018 are incorporated into the

1 capacity cost allocation factors. This information is included in DEF's Load  
2 Research Report filed with the Commission on July 31, 2018.

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4 **Q. What is the 2020 projected average retail CCR factor?**

5 A. The 2019 average retail CCR factor is 1.051 ¢/kWh, made up of capacity of  
6 1.034 ¢/kWh and ISFSI costs of 0.017 ¢/kWh.

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8 **Q. Please explain the change in the CCR factor for the projection period  
9 compared to the CCR factor currently in effect.**

10 A. The total projected average retail CCR rate of 1.051 ¢/kWh is 0.046 ¢/kWh, or  
11 4%, lower than the 2018 factor of 1.097 ¢/kWh. This decrease is primarily due  
12 to the conclusion of the recovery of the CR3 Uprate at year end 2019, as  
13 approved in Order No. PSC-2018-0490-FOF-EI, and the difference in the in the  
14 prior period true-up balance.

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16 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

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## BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

DIRECT TESTIMONY OF

ARNOLD GARCIA

ON BEHALF OF

DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA

DOCKET NO. 20190001-EI

MARCH 1, 2019

1 **Q. By whom are you employed and in what capacity?**

2 A. I am employed by Duke Energy Business Services, LLC (“DEBS”), a subsidiary of Duke  
3 Energy Corporation (“Duke Energy”), as Manager, Insurance. Duke Energy Florida,  
4 LLC (“DEF” or the “Company”) is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Duke Energy and  
5 affiliate of DEBS.

6 **Q. What are your responsibilities in that position?**

7 A. I am responsible for placing insurance coverage for Duke Energy and its subsidiaries.

8 **Q. Please describe your educational background and professional experience.**

9 A. I earned a Master on Business Administration from Wake Forest University (Winston  
10 Salem, NC), and a Bachelors of Arts degree from Colgate University (Hamilton, NY). I  
11 also hold an Associate in Risk Management (ARM) designation. I have held similar  
12 positions to my current position for other organizations such as a utility, a diversified  
13 manufacturer and two consumer product companies (one of which was a Fortune 250  
14 Company).

1 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

2 A. The purpose of my testimony is twofold: first, I will describe the insurance protection  
3 that was in place at the Bartow Combined Cycle Power Plant (“Bartow CC”) on February  
4 9, 2017; and second, it was made apparent to DEF during the 2018 fuel clause docket  
5 that there were questions regarding whether or not DEF had, or should have had,  
6 insurance coverage covering replacement power costs, therefore I will provide an  
7 overview of the types of coverages that are, and are not, available (commercially or  
8 practically) to Duke Energy and the Company for its generating assets.

9 **Q. Are you sponsoring any exhibits?**

10 A. Yes, I am sponsoring Exhibit NO. \_\_ (AG-1), the Bartow CC Insurance Policy in effect  
11 on February 9, 2017. This exhibit is confidential.

12 **Q. Please provide a summary of your testimony.**

13 A. In summary, on February 9, 2017, the Bartow CC was covered by a Policy of All Risk  
14 Property Insurance Including Machinery Breakdown (“the Policy”) issued by Associated  
15 Electric & Gas Insurance Services, Ltd (“AEGIS”) that did not provide coverage for  
16 replacement power costs or other business interruption costs. Moreover, an Insurance  
17 Product that provided such coverage for generating units such as the Bartow CC was not  
18 available in a commercially viable form at that time; that is, the costs to the Company  
19 and its customers of any such policy would outweigh the benefit received.

20 **Q. Please describe the Policy.**

1 A. The Policy provides Duke Energy protection against loss occurring from damage to its  
2 generation fleet, including the Bartow CC, except under the named exclusions and  
3 subject to the limits described therein (subject to any applicable deductible).

4 **Q. Did the Policy include an exclusion for replacement power costs?**

5 A. Yes, it did. Section A provides the Coverage Declarations, and section A.2. is the Extra  
6 Expense declaration. Section A.2.c.(3) provides the exclusion for replacement power  
7 costs. See Ex. No. \_\_ (AG-1). The exclusion is also shown in section 3 “Limit of  
8 Liability” on the Declarations Page, page 3 of 5, where it provides the limitation of  
9 liability for Extra Expenses as shown in that section.

10 **Q. Was coverage for replacement power costs available for the Bartow CC during**  
11 **February of 2017?**

12 A. From a practical standpoint, the answer is no cost-effective product was available in the  
13 market. Allow me to explain, Duke Energy routinely monitors developments in the  
14 insurance market and the results of those efforts have consistently shown the coverage is  
15 unavailable in the current market at a cost point that would make economic sense.  
16 Essentially, any product that would provide this sort of coverage would require a  
17 premium that would all but negate the value of the coverage being obtained (i.e., the  
18 premiums would be set equal to a high-end expected loss, plus the insurer’s  
19 administrative fee).

20 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

21 A. Yes.

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**DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA  
DOCKET No. 20190001-EI**

**Fuel and Capacity Cost Recovery  
Final True-Up for the Period  
January through December 2018**

**DIRECT TESTIMONY OF  
JAMES MCCLAY**

**April 3, 2019**

1 **Q. Please state your name and business address.**

2 A. My name is James McClay. My business address is 526 South Church Street,  
3 Charlotte, North Carolina 28202.

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5 **Q. By whom are you employed and in what capacity?**

6 A. I employed by Duke Energy Carolinas (“DEC”), an affiliate company of Duke  
7 Energy Florida, LLC (“DEF”, “Petitioner” or “Company”) as the Director  
8 Trading. I manage the Southeast power trading, Midwest financial activities,  
9 oil procurement and natural gas group procurement, scheduling and hedging  
10 activities in the Trading and Dispatch Section of the Fuels and Systems  
11 Optimization Department for the Duke Energy regulated generation fleet.  
12 This group is responsible for the hourly trading, financial hedging activities,  
13 oil procurement and natural gas procurement and scheduling needed to  
14 support the gas generation needs for Duke Energy Indiana, Duke Energy

1 Kentucky, Duke Energy Carolinas, Duke Energy Progress and Duke Energy  
2 Florida.

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4 **Q. Have you testified before the Commission in previous fuel clause  
5 proceedings?**

6 A. Yes.

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8 **Q. Please briefly describe your work experience.**

9 A. I received a Bachelor Degree in Business Administration majoring in Finance  
10 from St. Bonaventure University. I joined Progress Energy in 1998 as the  
11 Manager of Power Trading and held that position through early 2003 and then  
12 became the Director of Power Trading and Portfolio Management for Progress  
13 Energy Ventures through February 2007. From March 2007 through late 2008,  
14 I was the Director of Power Trading for Arclight Energy Marketing. From  
15 March 2009 through present I've been either the Director Trading, Director of  
16 Natural Gas or the Manager of Gas and Oil Trading with Progress Energy and  
17 Duke Energy. Prior to my tenure with Duke Energy, I spent approximately 13  
18 years in Capital Markets as a U.S. Government fixed income securities trader  
19 with various banks, and primary broker/ dealers.

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21 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

22 A. The purpose of my testimony is to provide the August through December 2018  
23 hedging true-up data and summarize the results of DEF's hedging activity for  
24 calendar year 2018 as required by Commission Order No. PSC-02-1484-

1 FOF-EI and further clarified by Commission Orders No. PSC-08-0667-PPA-  
2 EI issued in October 2008, and No. PSC-09-0255-PAA-EI issued in April  
3 2009.

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5 **Q. Have you prepared exhibits to your testimony?**

6 A. Yes. I have attached Exhibit No. \_\_\_ (JM-1T) which is the Hedging Activity  
7 Report for the period August through December 2018.

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9 **Q. What are the objectives of DEF's hedging strategy?**

10 A. The objectives of DEF's hedging program are to reduce fuel price volatility  
11 risk and provide greater cost certainty for DEF's customers.

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13 **Q. What hedging activities did DEF undertake for 2018 and what were the  
14 results?**

15 A. As discussed below, DEF did not execute any hedges during 2018. Prior  
16 hedging activities resulted in a net hedge savings for 2018 of approximately  
17 \$588,460.

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19 **Q. Did DEF execute its hedging activities consistent with its approved Risk  
20 Management Plan?**

21 A. As part of the Joint Stipulation and Agreement for Interim Resolution of  
22 Hedging Issues filed on October 24, 2016 in Docket No. 20160001-EI, DEF  
23 ceased hedging activities. Subsequently, DEF agreed to a hedging  
24 moratorium during the term of the 2017 Second Revised and Restated



1 Stipulation and Settlement Agreement, approved by the Commission in  
2 Docket No. 20170183-EI. Notwithstanding the suspension of prospective  
3 hedging activities, DEF had hedging transactions entered into under  
4 previously approved risk management plans that settled in 2018.

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6 As outlined in those earlier Commission-approved plans, actual hedge  
7 percentages for any monthly period, rolling twelve month time period or  
8 calendar annual period can come in higher or lower than the hedge  
9 percentage targets as a result of actual versus forecasted fuel burns.

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11 **Q. Did DEF hedging activities meet the stated objective and are the**  
12 **activities consistent with the Commission's Orders for hedging?**

13 A. Yes. DEF's hedging activity met the stated objective of DEF's hedging  
14 program to reduce price risk and provide greater cost certainty for DEF's  
15 customers. The hedging activities are consistent with Commission Orders  
16 No. PSC-02-1484-FOF-EI, No. PSC-08-0667-PPA-EI, and No. PSC-09-0255-  
17 PAA-EI. DEF's hedging activities are conducted in an environment of strong  
18 internal controls and executed in a structured manner. DEF's hedging  
19 activities do not attempt to outguess the market and may or may not result in  
20 net fuel cost savings, but have achieved the objectives of reduced fuel price  
21 volatility.

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23 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

24 A. Yes.

**IN RE: PETITION ON BEHALF OF DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA, LLC.  
FOR**

**FUEL AND CAPACITY COST RECOVERY  
FINAL TRUE-UP FOR THE PERIOD  
JANUARY THROUGH JULY 2019**

**FPSC DOCKET NO. 20190001-EI**

**DIRECT TESTIMONY OF  
James McClay**

**August 9, 2019**

**I. INTRODUCTION AND QUALIFICATIONS**

1 **Q. Please state your name and business address.**

2 **A.** My name is James McClay. My business address is 526 South Church Street,  
3 Charlotte, North Carolina 28202.

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5 **Q. By whom are you employed and in what capacity?**

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7 Energy Florida, LLC (“DEF”, “Petitioner” or “Company”) as the Director Trading.  
8 I manage the Southeast power trading, Midwest financial activities, oil procurement  
9 and natural gas group procurement, scheduling and hedging activities in the Trading  
10 and Dispatch Section of the Fuels and Systems Optimization Department for the  
11 Duke Energy regulated generation fleet. This group is responsible for the hourly  
12 trading, financial hedging activities, oil procurement and natural gas procurement  
13 and scheduling needed to support the gas generation needs for Duke Energy Indiana,  
14 Duke Energy Kentucky, Duke Energy Carolinas, Duke Energy Progress and Duke  
15 Energy Florida.

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1 **Q. Please describe your education background and professional experience.**

2 **A.** I received a Bachelor Degree in Business Administration majoring in Finance from  
3 St. Bonaventure University. I joined Progress Energy in 1998 as the Manager of  
4 Power Trading and held that position through early 2003 and then became the  
5 Director of Power Trading and Portfolio Management for Progress Energy Ventures  
6 through February 2007. From March 2007 through late 2008, I was the Director of  
7 Power Trading for Arclight Energy Marketing. From March 2009 through present  
8 I've been either the Director Trading, Director of Natural Gas or the Manager of Gas  
9 and Oil Trading with Progress Energy and Duke Energy. Prior to my tenure with  
10 Duke Energy, I spent approximately 13 years in Capital Markets as a U.S.  
11 Government fixed income securities trader with various banks, and primary broker/  
12 dealers.

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14 **Q. Have your duties and responsibilities remained the same since you last  
15 testified in this proceeding?**

16 **A.** Yes.

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18 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

19 **A.** The purpose of this testimony is to outline DEF's hedging results for January 2019  
20 through July 2019.

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1 **Q. Are you sponsoring any exhibits to your testimony?**

2 **A.** Yes, I am sponsoring the following exhibit:

- 3 • Exhibit No.\_\_\_\_ (JM-1P) – Hedging Results for January 2019 through March  
4 2019.

5  
6 **Q. What are the objectives of DEF’s hedging activities?**

7 **A.** The objectives of DEF’s hedging strategy are to reduce the impacts of fuel price risk  
8 and volatility over time, and provide a greater degree of fuel price certainty for DEF’s  
9 customers for a portion of fuel costs.

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11 **Q. Describe the hedging activities that the Company has executed for 2020.**

12 **A.** As approved by the Commission, DEF is currently under a moratorium on hedging  
13 and has not executed any financial hedges for any periods since October 21, 2016,  
14 and therefore does not have any hedges in place for 2020 or beyond.

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16 **Q. What were the results of DEF’s hedging activities for January through March  
17 2019?**

18 **A.** The Company’s natural gas hedging activities for the period of January 2019  
19 through March 2019 have resulted in hedges being below the closing natural gas  
20 settlement prices by approximately \$100,700. DEF had hedging transactions  
21 entered into under previously approved risk management plans that settled in 2019.  
22 To clarify, DEF does not have any hedges in place past March 2019 - therefore  
23 there are no results to report for April through July of 2019. DEF’s hedging activity

1 did achieve the objective to reduce the impacts of fuel price risk and volatility, and  
2 providing greater fuel price certainty for DEF's customers.

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4 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

5 **A.** Yes.

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**DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA, LLC**

**DOCKET NO. 20190001-EI**

**GPIF Schedules for  
January through December 2018**

**DIRECT TESTIMONY OF  
JAMES BRADLEY DANIEL**

**March 15, 2019**

1 **Q. Please state your name and business address.**

2 A. My name is J. Bradley Daniel. My business address is 526 South Church  
3 Street, Charlotte, North Carolina 28202.

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5 **Q. By whom are you employed and in what capacity?**

6 A. I am employed by Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC ("DEC") as Manager of  
7 Fuels and Fleet Analytics for Fuels and Systems Optimization.

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9 **Q. Describe your responsibilities as Manager of Fuels and Fleet Analytics.**

10 A. As Manager of Fuels and Fleet Analytics for Fuels and Systems  
11 Optimization, I oversee the analysis and modeling of energy portfolios for  
12 Duke Energy Corporation's regulated utility subsidiaries, including Duke  
13 Energy Florida, LLC ("DEF" or "Company"), as well as DEC, Duke Energy  
14 Progress, LLC, Duke Energy Indiana LLC, and Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc.

1 My responsibilities include oversight of planning and coordination associated  
2 with economic system operations, including production cost modeling,  
3 outage coordination, dispatch pricing, fuel burn forecasting, position  
4 analysis, and commodities analytics.

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

7 A. The purpose of my testimony is to describe the calculation of DEF's  
8 Generating Performance Incentive Factor ("GPIF") reward/(penalty) amount  
9 for the period of January through December 2018. This calculation was  
10 based on a comparison of the actual performance of DEF's Seven (7) GPIF  
11 generating units for this period against the approved targets set for these  
12 units prior to the actual performance period.

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14 **Q. Do you have an exhibit to your testimony in this proceeding?**

15 A. Yes, I am sponsoring Exhibit No. \_\_\_\_\_ (JBD-1T), which consists of the  
16 schedules required by the GPIF Implementation Manual to support the  
17 development of the incentive amount. This 24-page exhibit is attached to  
18 my prepared testimony and includes as its first page an index to the contents  
19 of the exhibit.

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21 **Q. What GPIF incentive amount has been calculated for this period?**

22 A. DEF's calculated GPIF incentive amount is a reward of \$2,591,697. This  
23 amount was developed in a manner consistent with the GPIF  
24 Implementation Manual. Page 2 of my exhibit shows the system GPIF points  
25 and the corresponding reward/(penalty). The summary of weighted



1 incentive points earned by each individual unit can be found on page 4 of  
2 my exhibit.

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4 **Q. How were the incentive points for equivalent availability and heat rate**  
5 **calculated for the individual GPIF units?**

6 A. The calculation of incentive points was made by comparing the adjusted  
7 actual performance data for equivalent availability and heat rate to the target  
8 performance indicators for each unit. This comparison is shown on each  
9 unit's Generating Performance Incentive Points Table found on pages 9  
10 through 15 of my exhibit.

11  
12 **Q. Why is it necessary to make adjustments to the actual performance**  
13 **data for comparison with the targets?**

14 A. Adjustments to the actual equivalent availability and heat rate data are  
15 necessary to allow their comparison with the "target" Point Tables exactly as  
16 approved by the Commission prior to the period. These adjustments are  
17 described in the Implementation Manual and are further explained by a Staff  
18 memorandum, dated October 23, 1981, directed to the GPIF utilities. The  
19 adjustments to actual equivalent availability primarily concern the  
20 differences between target and actual planned outage hours, and are shown  
21 on page 7 of my exhibit. The heat rate adjustments concern the differences  
22 between the target and actual Net Output Factor (NOF), and are shown on  
23 page 8. The methodology for both the equivalent availability and heat rate  
24 adjustments are explained in the Staff memorandum.

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2 **Q. Have you provided the as-worked planned outage schedules for DEF's**  
3 **GPIF units to support your adjustments to actual equivalent**  
4 **availability?**

5 A. Yes. Page 23 of my exhibit summarizes the planned outages experienced  
6 by DEF's GPIF units during the period. Page 24 presents an as-worked  
7 schedule for each individual planned outage.

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9 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

10 A. Yes.

**IN RE: PETITION ON BEHALF OF DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA  
FOR  
FUEL AND CAPACITY COST RECOVERY  
FINAL TRUE-UP FOR THE PERIOD  
JANUARY THROUGH DECEMBER 2018**

**FPSC DOCKET NO. 20190001-EI**

**GPIF TARGETS AND RANGES FOR  
JANUARY THROUGH DECEMBER 2020**

**DIRECT TESTIMONY OF  
JAMES BRADLEY DANIEL**

**September 3, 2019**

1 **Q. Please state your name and business address.**

2 A. My name is J. Bradley Daniel. My business address is 526 South Church Street, Charlotte,  
3 North Carolina 28202.  
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5 **Q. By whom are you employed and in what capacity?**

6 A. I am employed by Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (“DEC”) as Manager of Fuels and Fleet  
7 Analytics for Fuels and Systems Optimization. DEC and Duke Energy Florida, LLC  
8 (“DEF” or “Company”) are both wholly-owned subsidiaries of Duke Energy Corporation  
9 (“Duke Energy”).  
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11 **Q. What are your responsibilities in that position?**

12 A. As Manager of Analytics for Fuels and Systems Optimization, I oversee the analysis and  
13 modeling of energy portfolios for Duke Energy’s regulated utility subsidiaries, including  
14 DEF, as well as DEC, Duke Energy Progress, LLC, Duke Energy Indiana LLC, and Duke  
15 Energy Kentucky, Inc. My responsibilities include oversight of planning and coordination

1 associated with economic system operations, including production cost modeling, outage  
2 coordination, dispatch pricing, fuel burn forecasting, position analysis, and commodities  
3 analytics.

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5 **Q. Please describe your educational background and professional experience.**

6 A. I earned a B.A. from the University of Oklahoma in 2000 and an MBA from Wake Forest  
7 University in 2009. I interned as a data analyst with Oklahoma Energy Resources, Inc in  
8 Oklahoma City, OK in the Fall of 1999 and as an energy market research analyst with  
9 Cinergy Corporation in Cincinnati, OH in the summer of 2000. From 2001 until 2005, I  
10 worked as hourly power scheduler and power trader for Cinergy Corporation. From 2005  
11 until 2007, I worked as a load forecast analyst and short-term power trader for Cinergy  
12 Corporation. In 2007, I transferred to a short-term power trader role for Duke Energy in  
13 Charlotte, NC, after the merger of Cinergy Corporation and Duke Power. I worked in that  
14 role while completing my MBA from Wake Forest University, with a focus in Economics.  
15 From 2010-2012, I managed the Midwest short term trading portfolio, where I took  
16 responsibility for power, natural gas, and Financial Transmission Rights hedging portfolios  
17 covering the Duke Energy Indiana and Kentucky jurisdictions. In 2012, after the Duke  
18 Energy and Progress Energy merger, I took the role of Manager, Southeast Power Trading,  
19 responsible for managing hourly purchases and sales of wholesale power for Duke Energy  
20 Carolinas and Duke Energy Florida. In 2017, I took the role of Manager, Fuels and Fleet  
21 Analytics (now Fuels and Operations Forecasting), where I took over responsibility for  
22 mid-term production cost modeling, dispatch pricing, fuel burn forecasting, position  
23 reporting, budgeting for rates and financial planning, and general analytical support for

1 Fuels Procurement and Hedging, Power and Gas Trading, and Unit Commitment functions  
2 for Duke Energy Carolinas (North and South Carolina), Duke Energy Florida, and Duke  
3 Energy Midwest (Indiana and Kentucky) within Duke Energy's Fuels and Systems  
4 Optimization organization.

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

7 A. The purpose of my testimony is to provide a recap of actual reward / penalty for the period  
8 of January through December 2018, and outline the development of the Company's  
9 Generating Performance Incentive Factor ("GPIF") targets and ranges for the period  
10 January through December 2020. These GPIF targets and ranges have been developed  
11 from individual unit equivalent availability, average net operating heat rate targets, and  
12 improvement/degradation ranges for each of the Company's GPIF generating units, in  
13 accordance with the Commission's GPIF Implementation Manual.

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15 **Q. What GPIF incentive amount was calculated and reported in your March 15, 2019  
16 testimony for the period January through December 2018?**

17 A. DEF's calculated GPIF incentive amount for this period was a reward of \$2,591,697.  
18 Please refer to my testimony filed March 15, 2019 for the details of how this incentive  
19 amount was calculated.

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21 **Q. Have there been any adjustments to the incentive amount filed in March?**

22 A. No.  
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1 **Q. Do you have an exhibit to your testimony?**

2 A. Yes. I am sponsoring Exhibit No. \_\_\_\_\_ (JBD-1P), which consists of the GPIF standard  
3 form schedules prescribed in the GPIF Implementation Manual and supporting data,  
4 including outage rates, net operating heat rates, and computer analyses and graphs for each  
5 of the individual GPIF units. This exhibit is attached to my prepared testimony and  
6 includes as its first page an index to the contents of the exhibit.

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8 **Q. Which of the Company's generating units have you included in the GPIF program  
9 for the upcoming projection period?**

10 A. For the 2020 projection period, the GPIF program includes the following units: Bartow  
11 Unit 4, Hines Units 1 through 4 and Osprey Unit 1. Combined, these units account for 83%  
12 of the estimated total system net generation for the period, excluding Citrus CC. Citrus  
13 CC Units 1 and 2 were not included for the upcoming projection period since it does not  
14 meet the inclusion of performance history to use in setting targets and ranges for these  
15 units. Osprey Unit 1 was acquired by DEF in early 2017; prior to that Osprey Unit 1 was  
16 contracted for by DEF under a tolling arrangement with DEF from October 2014 through  
17 December 2016.

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19 **Q. Have you determined the equivalent availability targets and  
20 improvement/degradation ranges for the Company's GPIF units?**

21 A. Yes. This information is included in the GPIF Target and Range Summary on page 4 of  
22 my Exhibit No. \_\_\_\_ (JBD-1P).

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1 **Q. How were the equivalent availability targets developed?**

2 A. The equivalent availability targets were developed using the methodology established for  
3 the Company's GPIF units, as set forth in Section 4 of the GPIF Implementation Manual.  
4 This includes the formulation of graphs based on each unit's historic performance data for  
5 the four individual unplanned outage rates (i.e., forced, partial forced, maintenance, and  
6 partial maintenance outage rates), which in combination constitute the unit's equivalent  
7 unplanned outage rate ("EUOR"). From operational data and these graphs, the individual  
8 target rates are determined through a review of three years of monthly data points. The  
9 unit's four target rates are then used to calculate its unplanned outage hours for the  
10 projection period. When the unit's projected planned outage hours are taken into account,  
11 the hours calculated from these individual unplanned outage rates can then be converted  
12 into an overall equivalent unplanned outage factor ("EUOF"). Because factors are additive  
13 (unlike rates), the EUOF and planned outage factor ("POF") when added to the equivalent  
14 availability factor ("EAF") will always equal 100%. For example, an EUOF of 15% and  
15 POF of 10% results in an EAF of 75%.

16 The supporting tables and graphs for the target and range rates are contained in pages 37-  
17 67 of my exhibit in the section entitled "Unplanned Outage Rate Tables and Graphs."  
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19 **Q. Please describe the methodology utilized to develop the improvement/degradation**  
20 **ranges for each GPIF unit's availability targets?**

21 A. The methodology described in the GPIF Implementation Manual was used. Ranges were  
22 first established for each of the four unplanned outage rates associated with each unit. From  
23 an analysis of the unplanned outage graphs, units with small historical variations in outage

1 rates were assigned narrow ranges and units with large variations were assigned wider  
2 ranges. These individual ranges, expressed in term of rates, were then converted into a  
3 single unit availability range, expressed in terms of a factor, using the same procedure  
4 described above for converting the availability targets from rates to factors.

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6 **Q. Were adjustments made to historical unit availability to account for significant**  
7 **anomalies in historical performance?**

8 A. No.

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10 **Q. Have you determined the net operating heat rate targets and ranges for the**  
11 **Company's GPIF units?**

12 A. Yes. This information is included in the Target and Range Summary on page 4 of my  
13 Exhibit No. \_\_\_\_ (JBD-1P).

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15 **Q. How were these heat rate targets and ranges developed?**

16 A. The development of the heat rate targets and ranges for the upcoming period utilized  
17 historical data from the past three years, as described in the GPIF Implementation Manual.  
18 A "least squares" procedure was used to curve-fit the heat rate data to a linear relationship  
19 with Net Operating Factor (NOF), and ranges at a 90% confidence level were also  
20 established assuming a normal distribution. The analyses and data plots used to develop  
21 the heat rate targets and ranges for each of the GPIF units are contained in pages 24-36 of  
22 my exhibit in the section entitled "Average Net Operating Heat Rate Curves."  
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1 **Q. How were the GPIF incentive points developed for the unit availability and heat rate**  
2 **ranges?**

3 A. GPIF incentive points for availability and heat rate were developed by evenly spreading  
4 the positive and negative point values from the target to the maximum and minimum values  
5 in the case of availability, and from the neutral band to the maximum and minimum values  
6 in the case of heat rate. The fuel savings (loss) dollars were evenly spread over the range  
7 in the same manner as described for incentive points. The maximum savings (loss) dollars  
8 are the same as those used in the calculation of the weighting factors.

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10 **Q. How were the GPIF weighting factors determined?**

11 A. To determine the weighting factors for availability, a series of simulations was made using  
12 a production costing model in which each unit's maximum equivalent availability was  
13 substituted for the target value to obtain a new system fuel cost. The differences in fuel  
14 costs between these cases and the target case determine the contribution of each unit's  
15 availability to fuel savings. The heat rate contribution of each unit to fuel savings was  
16 determined by multiplying the BTU savings between the minimum and target heat rates (at  
17 constant generation) by the average cost per BTU for that unit. Weighting factors were  
18 then calculated by dividing each individual unit's fuel savings by total system fuel savings.

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22 **Q. What was the basis for determining the estimated maximum incentive amount?**

1 A. The determination of the maximum reward or penalty was based upon monthly common  
2 equity projections obtained from a detailed financial simulation performed by the  
3 Company's Corporate Model.

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5 **Q. What is the Company's estimated maximum incentive amount for 2020?**

6 A. The estimated maximum incentive for the Company is \$10,966,895. The calculation of  
7 the estimated maximum incentive is shown on page 3 of my Exhibit No. \_\_\_\_ (JBD-1P).

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9 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

10 A. Yes.

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1 **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

2 **FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY**

3 **TESTIMONY OF RENAE B. DEATON**

4 **DOCKET NO. 20190001-EI**

5 **MARCH 1, 2019**

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7 **Q. Please state your name, business address, employer and position.**

8 A. My name is Renae B. Deaton. My business address is 700 Universe Boulevard,  
9 Juno Beach, Florida 33408. I am employed by Florida Power & Light Company  
10 (“FPL” or “the Company”) as the Director of Clause Recovery and Wholesale  
11 Rates, in the Regulatory & State Governmental Affairs Department.

12 **Q. Please state your education and business experience.**

13 A. I hold a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and a Master of Business  
14 Administration from Charleston Southern University. Since joining FPL in 1998,  
15 I have held various positions in the rates and regulatory areas. Prior to my current  
16 position, I held the positions of Senior Manager of Cost of Service and Load  
17 Research and Senior Manager of Rate Design in the Rates and Tariffs  
18 Department. I have previously testified before this Commission in base rate and  
19 clause recovery proceedings. I am a member of the Edison Electric Institute  
20 (“EEI”) Rates and Regulatory Affairs Committee, and I have completed the EEI  
21 Advanced Rate Design Course. I have been a guest speaker at Public Utility  
22 Research Center/World Bank International Training Programs on Utility  
23 Regulation and Strategy. In 2016, I assumed my current position, where my

1 duties include providing direction as to appropriateness of inclusion of costs  
2 through a cost recovery clause and the overall preparation and filing of all cost  
3 recovery clause documents including testimony and discovery.

4 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony in this proceeding?**

5 A. The purpose of my testimony is to present the schedules necessary to support the  
6 actual Fuel Cost Recovery (“FCR”) Clause and Capacity Cost Recovery (“CCR”)  
7 Clause net true-up amounts for the period January 2018 through December 2018.

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9 The 2018 net true-up for the FCR Clause is an under-recovery, including interest,  
10 of \$70,653,875. FPL is requesting Commission approval to include this 2018  
11 FCR Clause true-up under-recovery of \$70,653,875 in the calculation of the FCR  
12 factors for the period January 2020 through December 2020.

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14 The 2018 net true-up for the CCR Clause is an over-recovery, including interest,  
15 of \$7,161,574. FPL is requesting Commission approval to include this 2018 CCR  
16 Clause true-up over-recovery of \$7,161,574 in the calculation of the CCR factors  
17 for the period January 2020 through December 2020.

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19 Finally, FPL is requesting Commission approval to include \$13,442,599 in the  
20 calculation of the FCR factors for the period January 2020 through December  
21 2020, which represents FPL’s share of the 2018 Incentive Mechanism gain  
22 described in the testimony of FPL witness Yupp.

1 **Q. Have you prepared or caused to be prepared under your direction,**  
2 **supervision or control any exhibits in this proceeding?**

3 A. Yes, I have. Exhibit RBD-1 contains the FCR-related schedules and Exhibit  
4 RBD-2 contains the CCR-related schedules. In addition, FCR Schedules A1  
5 through A12 for the January 2018 through December 2018 period have been filed  
6 monthly with the Commission and served on all parties of record in this docket.  
7 Those schedules are incorporated herein by reference.

8 **Q. What is the source of the data you present?**

9 A. Unless otherwise indicated, the data are taken from the books and records of FPL.  
10 The books and records are kept in the regular course of the Company's business  
11 in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and practices, and  
12 with the applicable provisions of the Uniform System of Accounts as prescribed  
13 by the Commission.

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15 **FUEL COST RECOVERY CLAUSE**

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17 **Q. Please explain the calculation of the 2018 FCR net true-up amount.**

18 A. Exhibit RBD-1, page 1, titled "Summary of Net True-Up," shows the calculation  
19 of the FCR net true-up for the period January 2018 through December 2018, an  
20 under-recovery of \$70,653,875.

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22 The summary of the FCR net true-up amount shows the actual end-of-period true-  
23 up under-recovery for the period January 2018 through December 2018 of

1           \$158,762,124 on line 1. The actual/estimated true-up under-recovery for the same  
2           period of \$88,108,249 is shown on line 2. Line 1 less line 2 results in the net final  
3           true-up under-recovery for the period January 2018 through December 2018 of  
4           \$70,653,875 shown on line 3.

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6           The calculation of the FCR true-up amount for the period follows the procedures  
7           established by this Commission as set forth on Commission Schedule A2  
8           “Calculation of True-Up and Interest Provision.”

9   **Q.   Have you provided a schedule showing the calculation of the 2018 FCR**  
10 **actual true-up by month?**

11  A.   Yes. Exhibit RBD-1, page 2, titled “Calculation of Final True-Up Amount,”  
12       shows the calculation of the FCR actual true-up by month for January 2018  
13       through December 2018.

14  **Q.   Have you provided schedules showing the variances between actual and**  
15 **actual/estimated FCR costs and applicable revenues for 2018?**

16  A.   Yes. Exhibit RBD-1, page 3, (sum of lines 40 and 41) compares the actual end-  
17       of-period true-up under-recovery of \$158,762,124 (column 4) to the  
18       actual/estimated end-of-period true-up under-recovery of \$88,108,249 (column 5)  
19       resulting in a net under-recovery of \$70,653,875 (column 6). Exhibit RBD-1,  
20       page 3 lines 39 and 30, shows that the variance consists of an increase in  
21       jurisdictional fuel costs of \$136.1 million partially offset by an increase in  
22       revenues of \$65.5 million.

1 **Q. Please summarize the variance schedule on page 3 of Exhibit RBD-1.**

2 A. FPL previously projected jurisdictional total fuel costs and net power transactions  
3 to be \$2.89 billion for 2018 (Exhibit RBD-1, page 3, line 39, column 5). The  
4 actual jurisdictional total fuel costs and net power transactions for that period is  
5 \$3.02 billion (Exhibit RBD-1, page 3, line 39, column 4). Jurisdictional total fuel  
6 costs and net power transactions are \$136.1 million, or 4.7% higher than  
7 previously projected (Exhibit RBD-1, page 3, line 39, column 6) and  
8 jurisdictional fuel revenues, net of revenue taxes for 2018, are \$65.5 million, or  
9 2.3% higher than previously projected (Exhibit RBD-1, page 3, line 30, column  
10 6).

11 **Q. Please explain the variances in jurisdictional total fuel costs and net power**  
12 **transactions.**

13 A. Below are the primary reasons for the \$136.1 million variance.

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15 Fuel Cost of System Net Generation: \$184.6 million increase (Exhibit RBD-1,  
16 page 3, line 1, column 6)

17 The table below provides the detail of this variance.

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<b>FUEL VARIANCE</b>	<b>2018 FINAL TRUE-UP</b>	<b>2018 ACTUAL/ ESTIMATED</b>	<b>DIFFERENCE</b>
<b><u>Heavy Oil</u></b>			
Total Dollar	\$33,336,536	\$18,081,040	\$15,255,496
Units (MMBTU)	2,817,296	1,540,386	1,276,910
\$ per Units	11.8328	11.7380	0.0948
Variance Due to Consumption			\$14,988,357
Variance Due to Cost			\$267,139



<b>FUEL VARIANCE</b>	<b>2018 FINAL TRUE-UP</b>	<b>2018 ACTUAL/ ESTIMATED</b>	<b>DIFFERENCE</b>
Total Variance			\$15,255,496
<b><u>Light Oil</u></b>			
Total Dollar	\$17,471,205	\$23,252,266	(\$5,781,061)
Units (MMBTU)	1,091,030	1,564,774	(473,744)
\$ per Units	16.0135	14.8598	1.1537
Variance Due to Consumption			(\$7,039,757)
Variance Due to Cost			\$1,258,697
Total Variance			(\$5,781,061)
<b><u>Coal</u></b>			
Total Dollar	\$70,954,592	\$61,474,973	\$9,479,619
Units (MMBTU)	28,818,876	25,345,757	3,473,119
\$ per Units	2.4621	2.4255	0.0366
Variance Due to Consumption			\$8,423,891
Variance Due to Cost			\$1,055,728
Total Variance			\$9,479,619
<b><u>Gas</u></b>			
Total Dollar	\$2,938,221,234	\$2,773,198,972	\$165,022,262
Units (MMBTU)	660,577,429	631,814,389	28,763,040
\$ per Units	4.4480	4.3893	0.0587
Variance Due to Consumption			\$126,248,522
Variance Due to Cost			\$38,773,740
Total Variance			\$165,022,262
<b><u>Nuclear</u></b>			
Total Dollar	\$175,457,637	\$174,817,401	\$640,236
Units (MMBTU)	308,786,317	302,463,140	6,323,177
\$ per Units	0.5682	0.5780	(0.0098)
Variance Due to Consumption			\$3,654,665
Variance Due to Cost			(\$3,014,429)
Total Variance			\$640,236
<b><u>Total</u></b>			
Variance Due to Consumption			\$124,737,240

<b>FUEL VARIANCE</b>	<b>2018 FINAL TRUE-UP</b>	<b>2018 ACTUAL/ ESTIMATED</b>	<b>DIFFERENCE</b>
Variance Due to Cost			\$59,879,312
Total Variance			\$184,616,552
Note: Fuel Cost of System Net Generation reflected above does not tie to amounts provided on the 2018 final true-up schedule due to a reduction to nuclear fuel expense in the amount of \$1.1 million. In 2018, an overstatement of nuclear fuel amortization and other adjustments occurred, which were included and footnoted on the impacted monthly A-Schedule.			

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2           Rail Car Lease (Cedar Bay/ICL/SJRPP): \$0.7 million increase (Exhibit RBD-1,  
3           page 3, line 4, column 6)

4           The variance for rail car lease (Cedar Bay/ICL/SJRPP) is primarily attributable to  
5           higher than projected rail car lease costs for SJRPP.

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7           Variable Power Plant O&M Avoided due to Economy Purchases: \$0.3 million  
8           decrease (Exhibit RBD-1, page 3, line 15, column 6)

9           The variance for variable power plant O&M avoided due to economy purchases is  
10          attributable to lower than projected economy power purchases.

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12          Variable Power Plant O&M Attributable to Off-System Sales: \$0.2 million  
13          increase (Exhibit RBD-1, page 3, line 14, column 6)

14          The variance for variable power plant O&M attributable to off-system sales is  
15          attributable to higher than projected economy power sales.

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17          Energy Cost of Economy Purchases: \$13.4 million decrease (Exhibit RBD-1,  
18          page 3, line 10, column 6)

1 The variance for the energy cost of economy purchases is primarily attributable to  
2 lower than projected economy purchases. FPL purchased 232,638 MWh, or  
3 410,368 MWh less of economy power resulting in a volume decrease of \$15.3  
4 million. This volume variance is partially offset by higher than projected costs for  
5 economy power. The average cost of economy power purchases was \$8.41/MWh  
6 higher than projected, resulting in a cost increase of \$1.9 million. The  
7 combination of lower economy power purchases coupled with higher costs for  
8 economy power purchases results in a net decrease of \$13.4 million.

9  
10 Fuel Cost of Power Sold: \$8.5 million increase (Exhibit RBD-1, page 3, line 6,  
11 column 6)

12 The variance for the fuel cost of power sold is primarily attributable to higher than  
13 projected economy power sales. FPL sold 2,478,644 MWh, or 361,890 MWh  
14 more of economy power, resulting in a volume increase of \$8.2 million. The  
15 average unit fuel cost on economy power sales was \$0.10/MWh higher than  
16 projected, resulting in a cost increase of \$0.2 million. The combination of higher  
17 economy power sales and higher fuel costs attributable to economy power sales  
18 results in a net increase for economy power sales of \$8.4 million. The remaining  
19 variance of \$0.1 million is attributable to higher than projected St. Lucie Plant  
20 Reliability Exchange sales and higher than projected fuel costs on St. Lucie Plant  
21 Reliability Exchange sales.

22  
23 Gains from Off-System Sales: \$2.6 million increase (Exhibit RBD-1, page 3, line  
24 7, column 6)

1 The variance for gains from off-system sales is attributable to higher than  
2 projected economy power sales and lower than projected margins on economy  
3 power sales. FPL sold 2,478,644 MWh, or 361,890 MWh more of economy  
4 power, resulting in an increase of \$4.9 million. This variance is partially offset by  
5 lower than projected margins on economy power sales. Margins on economy  
6 power sales averaged \$0.93/MWh lower than projected, resulting in a decrease of  
7 \$2.3 million. The combination of higher economy power sales and lower margins  
8 on economy power sales results in a net increase for gains from off-system sales  
9 of \$2.6 million.

10  
11 Fuel Cost of Stratified Sales: \$2.3 million increase (Exhibit RBD-1, page 3, line  
12 5, column 6)

13 The variance for the fuel cost of stratified sales is primarily attributable to higher  
14 than projected MWh sales from stratified contracts due to variations in weather.

15  
16 Fuel Cost of Purchased Power: \$1.4 million decrease (Exhibit RBD-1, page 3,  
17 line 8, column 6)

18 The variance for the fuel cost of purchased power is primarily attributable to  
19 lower than projected purchases under agreements with Exelon Generation  
20 Company, LLC (“ExGen”) and the Orlando Utilities Commission (“OUC”) and  
21 higher than projected purchases under contracts with the Solid Waste Authority of  
22 Palm Beach County (“SWA”). For ExGen, the combination of slightly lower  
23 average fuel costs coupled with 50,556 MWh less in purchases resulted in a

1 decrease of \$2.3 million. For OUC, FPL had projected \$0.7 million in purchased  
2 power costs from October through December. The firm capacity and energy  
3 agreement with OUC did not begin until the latter half of December and FPL did  
4 not purchase power from OUC under the agreement, resulting in a decrease of  
5 \$0.7 million. This combined variance of \$3.0 million for ExGen and OUC is  
6 partially offset by higher than projected purchases from SWA. FPL purchased  
7 861,682 MWh, or 72,833 MWh more from SWA at an average cost that was  
8 \$0.88/MWh lower than projected. The combination of higher purchases and  
9 lower fuel costs for SWA resulted in an increase of \$1.4 million. The remaining  
10 variance of \$0.2 million is primarily attributable to higher than projected fuel  
11 costs related to St. Lucie Reliability Exchange purchases.

12  
13 Energy Payments to Qualifying Facilities: \$0.4 million decrease (Exhibit RBD-1,  
14 page 3, line 9, column 6)

15 The variance for energy payments to qualifying facilities is primarily attributable  
16 to lower than projected purchases and costs from As-Available Co-Gen facilities.  
17 In total, FPL purchased 214,427 MWh, or 17,847 MWh less than projected from  
18 As-Available Co-Gen facilities at an average unit fuel cost that was \$0.44/MWh  
19 lower than projected. The combination of lower purchases and fuel costs for As-  
20 Available purchases resulted in a decrease of \$0.5 million. This variance is  
21 partially offset by higher than projected purchases and fuel costs from FPL's Firm  
22 Co-Gen facility. FPL purchased 34,403 MWh, or 275 MWh more of Firm Co-  
23 Gen power at an average cost that was \$3.20/MWh higher than projected,

1 resulting in an increase for Firm Co-Gen power of \$0.1 million.

2 **Q. What is the variance in retail (jurisdictional) FCR revenues?**

3 A. As shown on Exhibit RBD-1, page 3, line 30, actual 2018 jurisdictional FCR  
4 revenues, net of revenue taxes, are approximately \$65.5 million higher than the  
5 actual/estimated projection. This is primarily due to jurisdictional sales that are  
6 2,231,289 MWh higher than the actual/estimated projection.

7 **Q. FPL witness Yupp calculates in his testimony that FPL is entitled to retain**  
8 **\$13,442,599 as its 60% share of 2018 Incentive Mechanism gains over the \$40**  
9 **million threshold. When is FPL requesting to recover its share of the gains,**  
10 **and how will this be reflected in the FCR schedules?**

11 A. FPL is requesting recovery of its share of the 2018 Incentive Mechanism gains  
12 through the 2020 FCR factors, consistent with how gains have been recovered in  
13 prior years. FPL will include the approved jurisdictionalized Incentive  
14 Mechanism gains amount in the calculation of the 2020 FCR factors and will  
15 reflect recovery of one-twelfth of the approved amount, net of revenue taxes, in  
16 each month's Schedule A2 for the period January 2020 through December 2020  
17 as a reduction to jurisdictional fuel revenues applicable to each period.

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19 **CAPACITY COST RECOVERY CLAUSE**

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21 **Q. Please explain the calculation of the 2018 CCR net true-up amount.**

22 A. Exhibit RBD-2, page 1, titled "Final True-Up Summary" shows the calculation of  
23 the CCR net true-up for the period January 2018 through December 2018, an

1 over-recovery of \$7,161,574, which FPL is requesting to be included in the  
2 calculation of the CCR factors for the January 2020 through December 2020  
3 period.

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5 The actual end-of-period over-recovery for the period January 2018 through  
6 December 2018 of \$13,577,483 shown on line 1 less the actual/estimated end-of-  
7 period over-recovery for the same period of \$6,415,909 shown on line 2 that was  
8 approved by the Commission in Order No. PSC-2018-0610-FOF-EI, results in the  
9 net true-up over-recovery for the period January 2018 through December 2018 of  
10 \$7,161,574 shown on line 3.

11 **Q. Have you provided a schedule showing the calculation of the 2018 CCR**  
12 **actual true-up by month?**

13 A. Yes. Exhibit RBD-2, pages 2 through 4, titled “Calculation of Final True-Up  
14 Amount” shows the calculation of the CCR end-of-period true-up for the period  
15 January 2018 through December 2018 by month.

16 **Q. Is this true-up calculation consistent with the true-up methodology used for**  
17 **the FCR Clause?**

18 A. Yes, it is. The calculation of the true-up amount follows the procedures  
19 established by this Commission set forth on Commission Schedule A2  
20 “Calculation of True-Up and Interest Provision” for the FCR Clause.

1 **Q. Have you provided a schedule showing the variances between actual and**  
2 **actual/estimated capacity costs and applicable revenues for 2018?**

3 A. Yes. Exhibit RBD-2, pages 5 and 6, titled “Calculation of Final True-Up  
4 Variances,” shows the actual capacity costs and applicable revenues compared to  
5 actual/estimated capacity costs and applicable revenues for the period January  
6 2018 through December 2018.

7 **Q. Please explain the variances related to capacity costs.**

8 A. As shown in Exhibit RBD-2, page 6, line 27, column 5, the variance related to  
9 jurisdictional capacity costs is a decrease of \$3.7 million, or 1.5%, from the  
10 actual/estimated projection. The primary reason for this variance is a \$3.9 million  
11 or 1.5% decrease in total system capacity costs (page 5, line 13, column 5).

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13 Below are the primary reasons for the \$3.9 million decrease in total system  
14 capacity costs.

15

16 Transmission Revenues from Capacity Sales: \$1.9 million increase (Exhibit RBD-  
17 2, page 5, line 12, column 5)

18 The variance for transmission revenues from capacity sales is primarily  
19 attributable to higher revenues from capacity premiums associated with power  
20 capacity sales of \$1.0 million. The remaining variance of \$0.9 million is  
21 primarily due to higher than projected transmission revenues from higher than  
22 projected economy power sales.

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1        Payments to Non-Cogenerators: \$1.9 million decrease (Exhibit RBD-2, page 5,  
2        line 1, column 5)

3        The variance for payments to non-cogenerators (SJRPP, SWA, Exelon and OUC)  
4        is primarily attributable to lower than projected costs of approximately \$1.9  
5        million associated with the OUC agreement, and adjustments associated with  
6        SJRPP in the second half of the year. Due to the timing of Commission approval,  
7        OUC capacity payments originally expected during October and November did  
8        not occur and December costs were less than projected.

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10       Transmission of Electricity by Others: \$0.6 million decrease (Exhibit RBD-2,  
11       page 5, line 11, column 5)

12       The variance for transmission of electricity by others is primarily attributable to  
13       true-up adjustments of approximately \$0.7 million received from Southern  
14       Company for transmission service costs related to the expired Southern Company  
15       UPS agreements. This variance is partially offset by approximately \$0.1 million  
16       due to the purchase of third party transmission utilized to facilitate wholesale  
17       power sales.

18  
19       Incremental Nuclear NRC Compliance Costs (Fukushima): O&M - \$0.3 million  
20       increase (Exhibit RBD-2, page 5, line 9, column 5)

21       The variance for incremental NRC compliance O&M costs is primarily  
22       attributable to an increase in fees for FPL's share in costs to support the Regional  
23       Response Centers (a warehouse of off-site portable equipment shared by the

1 industry).

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3 Nuclear Cost Recovery Costs: \$0.3 million decrease (Exhibit RBD-2, page 6, line  
4 29, column 5)

5 The variance for nuclear cost recovery costs is attributable to a refund from the  
6 Nuclear Regulatory Commission for incorrectly billed work on contested hearings  
7 for the Turkey Point Unit 6 application. The refund amount relates to costs  
8 incurred on hearings prior to 2017.

9 **Q. Please describe the variance in 2018 CCR revenues.**

10 A. As shown on page 6, line 36, column 5, actual 2018 CCR revenues (net of  
11 revenue taxes), are \$3.1 million higher than projected in the actual/estimated true-  
12 up filing. This is primarily due to higher than projected jurisdictional sales, which  
13 are 2,231,289 MWh higher than the actual/estimated projection.

14 **Q. Have you provided a schedule showing the actual monthly capacity payments**  
15 **by contract?**

16 A. Yes. Schedule A12 consists of two pages that are included in Exhibit RBD-2 as  
17 pages 7 and 8. Page 7 shows the actual capacity payments for FPL's Purchase  
18 Power Agreements for the period January 2018 through December 2018. Page 8  
19 provides the Short Term Capacity Payments for the period January 2018 through  
20 December 2018.

21 **Q. Have you provided a schedule showing the capital structure components and**  
22 **cost rates relied upon by FPL to calculate the rate of return applied to all**  
23 **capital projects recovered through the FCR and CCR Clauses?**

1 A. Yes. The capital structure components and cost rates used to calculate the rate of  
2 return on the capital investments for the period January 2018 through December  
3 2018 are included on pages 18 and 19 of Exhibit RBD-2.

4 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

5 A. Yes, it does.

1                   **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

2                   **FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY**

3                   **TESTIMONY OF RENAE B. DEATON**

4                   **DOCKET NO. 20190001-EI**

5                   **JULY 26, 2019**

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7   **Q.    Please state your name, business address, employer and position.**

8    A.    My name is Renae B. Deaton. My business address is 700 Universe Boulevard,  
9           Juno Beach, Florida 33408. I am employed by Florida Power & Light Company  
10          ("FPL" or "the Company") as Director, Clause Recovery and Wholesale Rates, in  
11          the Regulatory & State Governmental Affairs Department.

12 **Q.    Have you previously testified in this docket?**

13 A.    Yes, I have.

14 **Q.    What is the purpose of your testimony?**

15 A.    The purpose of my testimony is to present for Commission review and approval  
16          the calculation of the actual/estimated true-up amounts for the Fuel Cost  
17          Recovery ("FCR") Clause and the Capacity Cost Recovery ("CCR") Clause for  
18          the period January 2019 through December 2019. My testimony also provides  
19          revised 2018 FCR and CCR final net true-up amounts that reflect revisions to the  
20          amounts filed on March 1, 2019.

21 **Q.    Have you prepared or caused to be prepared under your direction,  
22          supervision or control any exhibits with your testimony?**

23 A.    Yes, various schedules are included in Exhibit RBD-3 and Exhibit RBD-4.  
24          Exhibit RBD-3 contains the FCR schedules and Exhibit RBD-4 contains the CCR

1 schedules.

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3 The FCR Schedules contained in Exhibit RBD-3 include Schedules E3 through  
4 E9 that provide revised estimates for the period July 2019 through December  
5 2019. FCR Schedules A1 through A9 provide actual data for the period January  
6 2019 through June 2019. The actual data was derived from the FCR A-Schedules  
7 A1 through A9 that are filed monthly with the Commission and served on all  
8 parties, which are incorporated herein by reference. The FCR schedules  
9 contained in Exhibit RBD-3 also provide the calculation of the actual/estimated  
10 true-up amount and actual/estimated variances for the period January 2019  
11 through December 2019.

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13 The CCR schedules contained in Exhibit RBD-4 provide the calculation of the  
14 actual/estimated true-up amount and actual/estimated variances for the period  
15 January 2019 through December 2019.

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17 Exhibit RBD-5 and Exhibit RBD-6 provide the calculation of the revised FCR  
18 and CCR final net true-up amounts for the period January 2018 through  
19 December 2018.

20 **Q. What is the source of the actual data that you present by way of testimony or**  
21 **exhibits in this proceeding?**

22 A. Unless otherwise indicated, the actual data are taken from the books and records  
23 of FPL. The books and records are kept in the regular course of the Company's  
24 business in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and

1 practices, as well as the provisions of the Uniform System of Accounts as  
2 prescribed by this Commission.

3 **Q. Have you revised the 2018 FCR and CCR final net true-up amounts that**  
4 **were filed in this docket on March 1, 2019?**

5 A. Yes. The 2018 FCR final net true-up amount was revised to reflect a correction to  
6 the monthly average interest rate for the month of May. This revision decreases  
7 the actual 2018 FCR end of period true-up under-recovery amount including  
8 interest by \$470 from \$158,762,124 to \$158,761,654. This revision decreases the  
9 2018 FCR final net true-up under-recovery amount, including interest, from  
10 \$70,653,875 to \$70,653,405. Exhibit RBD-5 of my testimony provides the  
11 revised schedules reflecting the calculation of the revised 2018 FCR final net true-  
12 up under-recovery amount of \$70,653,405.

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14 The 2018 CCR final net true-up amount was also revised to reflect a correction to  
15 the monthly average interest rate for the month of May. This revision decreases  
16 the actual 2018 CCR end of period true-up over-recovery amount including  
17 interest by \$65.

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19 Additionally, the 2018 CCR final net true-up amount was revised to reflect a  
20 correction to the strata classification for a portion of the Incremental Plant  
21 Security Capital project in August and September. During these months the strata  
22 for this project was incorrectly classified as General and as a result, the  
23 jurisdictional amounts were incorrect. This revision increases the actual 2018  
24 CCR end of period true-up over-recovery amount including interest by \$210.

1 The combination of these revisions increases the actual 2018 CCR end-of-period  
2 over-recovery amount, including interest, by \$145 from \$13,577,483 to  
3 \$13,577,628 and the 2018 CCR final net true-up over-recovery amount, including  
4 interest, from \$7,161,574 to \$7,161,719. Exhibit RBD-6 of my testimony  
5 provides the revised schedules reflecting the calculation of the revised 2018 CCR  
6 final net true-up over-recovery amount of \$7,161,719.

7 **Q. Please describe the data that FPL has used as a comparison when calculating**  
8 **the FCR and CCR actual/estimated true-up amounts presented in your**  
9 **testimony.**

10 A. The FCR true-up calculation compares actual/estimated data consisting of actuals  
11 for January 2019 through June 2019 and revised estimates for July 2019 through  
12 December 2019 to the data reflected in FPL's original projection for the period  
13 January 2019 through December 2019 filed on August 24, 2018. Likewise, the  
14 CCR true-up calculation compares actual/estimated data consisting of actuals for  
15 January 2019 through June 2019 and revised estimates for July 2019 through  
16 December 2019 to the data reflected in FPL's original projection for the period  
17 January 2019 through December 2019 filed on August 24, 2018.

18 **Q. Please explain the calculation of the interest provision that is applicable to**  
19 **the FCR and CCR true-up amounts.**

20 A. The calculation of the interest provision follows the methodology used in  
21 calculating the interest provision for all cost recovery clauses, as previously  
22 approved by this Commission. The interest provision is the result of multiplying  
23 the monthly average true-up amount for the twelve-month period by the monthly  
24 average interest rate. The average interest rate for the months reflecting actual

1 data is developed using the AA financial 30-day rates as published on the Federal  
2 Reserve website on the first business day of the current month and the subsequent  
3 month divided by two. The average interest rate for the projected months is the  
4 actual rate published on the first business day in July 2019, which reflects the  
5 interest rate from the last business day in June 2019.

6  
7 **FUEL COST RECOVERY CLAUSE**

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9 **Q. Have you provided a schedule showing the calculation of the FCR 2019**  
10 **actual/estimated true-up by month?**

11 A. Yes. Exhibit RBD-3, page 1 shows the calculation of the FCR actual/estimated  
12 true-up by month for the period January 2019 through December 2019.

13 **Q. Please explain the calculation of the FCR end-of-period net true-up and**  
14 **actual/estimated true-up amounts you are requesting this Commission to**  
15 **approve.**

16 A. Exhibit RBD-3, page 1 shows the calculation of the FCR end-of-period net true-  
17 up and actual/estimated true-up amounts. The 2019 end-of-period net true-up  
18 amount to be carried forward to the 2020 FCR factors is an over-recovery of  
19 \$58,082,532 (page 1, line 43, column 16). This \$58,082,532 over-recovery  
20 includes the revised 2018 final true-up under-recovery of \$70,653,405 (Exhibit  
21 RBD-3, page 1, line 41, column 16), included in this filing as Exhibit RBD-5, and  
22 the actual/estimated true-up over-recovery, including interest, of \$128,735,937  
23 (Exhibit RBD-3, page 1, lines 38 plus 39, column 16) for the period January 2019  
24 through December 2019.



1 **Q. Were these calculations made in accordance with the procedures previously**  
2 **approved in predecessors to this Docket?**

3 A. Yes.

4 **Q. Have you provided a schedule showing the variances between the**  
5 **actual/estimated amounts and the projections for 2019?**

6 A. Yes. Exhibit RBD-3, page 2 provides a variance calculation that compares the  
7 2019 actual/estimated period data by component to the same components from the  
8 2019 original projection filed on August 24, 2018.

9 **Q. Please summarize the variance schedule on page 2 of Exhibit RBD-3.**

10 A. FPL originally projected jurisdictional total fuel costs and net power transactions  
11 to be \$2.707 billion for 2019 (Exhibit RBD-3, page 2, line 37, column 5). The  
12 actual/estimated jurisdictional total fuel costs and net power transactions are now  
13 projected to be \$2.584 billion for that period (Exhibit RBD-3, page 2, line 37,  
14 column 4). The estimated variance is due to lower than projected costs and higher  
15 than projected sales and revenues. Jurisdictional total fuel costs and net power  
16 transactions are estimated to be \$123.0 million, or 4.5% lower than the original  
17 projection (Exhibit RBD-3, page 2, line 37, column 6), and jurisdictional fuel  
18 revenues, net of revenue taxes are projected to be \$9.0 million, or 0.3% higher  
19 than the original projection (Exhibit RBD-3, page 2, line 29, column 6). The net  
20 impact due to the decrease in jurisdictional fuel costs and the increase in  
21 jurisdictional fuel revenues result in the actual/estimated true-up over-recovery of  
22 \$132.0 million (Exhibit RBD-3, page 2, line 38, column 6).

23 **Q. Please explain the variances in jurisdictional total fuel costs and net power**  
24 **transactions.**

1 A. Below are the primary reasons for the \$123.0 million variance in jurisdictional  
2 total fuel costs.

3

4 Fuel Cost of System Net Generation: \$119.2 million decrease (Exhibit RBD-3,  
5 page 2, line 1, column 6)

6 The table below provides the detail of this variance.

7

<b>Fuel Variance</b>	<b>2019 ACTUAL/ ESTIMATED</b>	<b>2019 PROJECTION</b>	<b>DIFFERENCE</b>
<b><u>Heavy Oil</u></b>			
Total Dollar	\$12,853,413	\$28,288,036	(\$15,434,622)
Units	1,115,625	2,388,643	(1,273,018)
\$ per Units	11.5213	11.8427	(0.3215)
Variance Due to Consumption			(\$15,075,999)
Variance Due to Cost			(\$358,624)
Total Variance			(\$15,434,622)
<b><u>Light Oil</u></b>			
Total Dollar	\$11,992,197	\$38,310,245	(\$26,318,048)
Units	706,510	2,391,861	(1,685,351)
\$ per Units	16.9739	16.0169	0.9569
Variance Due to Consumption			(\$26,994,134)
Variance Due to Cost			\$676,086
Total Variance			(\$26,318,048)
<b><u>Coal</u></b>			
Total Dollar	\$69,189,030	\$65,970,888	\$3,218,142
Units	27,200,891	27,897,522	(696,631)
\$ per Units	2.5436	2.3648	0.1789
Variance Due to Consumption			(\$1,647,364)
Variance Due to Cost			\$4,865,505
Total Variance			\$3,218,142

<b>Fuel Variance</b>	<b>2019 ACTUAL/ ESTIMATED</b>	<b>2019 PROJECTION</b>	<b>DIFFERENCE</b>
<b><u>Gas</u></b>			
Total Dollar	\$2,493,615,287	\$2,563,171,145	(\$69,555,858)
Units	637,898,271	604,568,149	33,330,122
\$ per Units	3.9091	4.2397	(0.3306)
Variance Due to Consumption			\$141,308,814
Variance Due to Cost			(\$210,864,672)
Total Variance			(\$69,555,858)
<b><u>Nuclear</u></b>			
Total Dollar	\$155,046,037	\$166,122,409	(\$11,076,371)
Units	298,655,844	301,929,301	(3,273,457)
\$ per Units	0.5191	0.5502	(0.0311)
Variance Due to Consumption			(\$1,801,066)
Variance Due to Cost			(\$9,275,305)
Total Variance			(\$11,076,371)
<b><u>Total</u></b>			
Total Dollar	\$2,742,695,965	\$2,861,862,723	(\$119,166,758)
Units	965,577,141	939,175,476	26,401,665
\$ per Units	2.8405	3.0472	(0.2067)

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2 Fuel Cost of Stratified Sales: \$6.6 million increase (Exhibit RBD-3, page 2, line  
3 2, column 6)

4 The variance for the fuel cost of stratified sales is primarily attributable to higher  
5 than projected sales to stratified contracts, resulting in a larger credit to fuel costs.

6

7 Gains from Off-System Sales: \$2.0 million increase (Exhibit RBD-3, page 2, line  
8 5, column 6)

9 The variance for gains from off-system sales is primarily attributable to higher

1 than projected economy power sales. FPL now projects to sell 315,921 MWh  
2 more of economy power, resulting in a variance of \$2.9 million. This variance is  
3 partially offset by lower than projected margins on economy power sales. FPL  
4 now projects that margins on economy power sales will be \$0.35/MWh lower  
5 than originally projected, resulting in a variance of \$0.9 million. The combination  
6 of higher economy power sales and lower margins on economy power sales  
7 results in a net variance of \$2.0 million.

8  
9 Fuel Cost of Purchased Power: \$1.9 million decrease (Exhibit RBD-3, page 2,  
10 line 6, column 6)

11 The variance for the fuel cost of purchased power is primarily attributable to  
12 lower than projected purchases under the Orlando Utilities Commission (“OUC”)  
13 agreement and lower than projected fuel costs for purchases under contracts with  
14 the Solid Waste Authority of Palm Beach County (“SWA”). For OUC, the  
15 combination of slightly lower average fuel costs, coupled with 42,924 MWh less  
16 in purchases, results in a total variance for OUC of \$1.7 million. For SWA, FPL  
17 projects to purchase 73,060 MWh more than originally projected. However, fuel  
18 costs are now projected to be \$3.66/MWh lower than originally projected,  
19 resulting in a decrease for SWA of \$0.7 million. The combined variance for OUC  
20 and SWA of \$2.4 million is partially offset by a variance of \$0.5 million related to  
21 higher than projected purchases and fuel costs under the St. Lucie Reliability  
22 Exchange.

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1       Energy Payments to Qualifying Facilities: \$0.5 million decrease (Exhibit RBD-3,  
2       page 2, line 7, column 6)

3       The variance for energy payments to qualifying facilities is primarily attributable  
4       to lower than projected fuel costs from As-Available Co-Gen facilities. FPL  
5       projects to purchase 11,104 MWh more than originally projected. However, fuel  
6       costs are now projected to be \$3.08/MWh lower than originally projected,  
7       resulting in a decrease for As-Available purchases of \$0.6 million. This variance  
8       is slightly offset by an increase of \$0.1 million related to higher than projected  
9       purchases and fuel costs from Firm Co-Gen facilities.

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11       Variable Power Plant O&M Avoided due to Economy Purchases: \$0.1 million  
12       increase (Exhibit RBD-3, page 2, line 13, column 6)

13       The variance for variable power plant O&M avoided due to economy purchases is  
14       primarily attributable to higher than originally projected economy power  
15       purchases.

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17       Energy Cost of Economy Purchases: \$9.9 million increase (Exhibit RBD-3, page  
18       2, line 8, column 6)

19       The variance for the energy cost of economy purchases is attributable to higher  
20       than projected economy power purchases and higher than projected costs for  
21       economy power purchases. FPL now projects to purchase 77,651 MWh more of  
22       economy power resulting in a volume variance of \$2.0 million. FPL also projects  
23       that the average cost of economy power purchases will be \$12.64/MWh higher  
24       than originally projected, resulting in a cost variance of \$7.9 million. The

1 combination of higher economy power purchases coupled with higher costs for  
2 economy power purchases results in a net variance of \$9.9 million.

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4 Fuel Cost of Power Sold: \$4.8 million decrease (Exhibit RBD-3, page 2, line 4,  
5 column 6)

6 The variance for the fuel cost of power sold is primarily attributable to lower than  
7 projected fuel costs for economy power sales and higher than projected economy  
8 power sales. FPL now projects to sell 315,921 MWh more than projected,  
9 resulting in a volume increase of \$7.8 million. However, the average unit fuel  
10 cost on economy power sales is now projected to be \$4.74/MWh lower than  
11 originally projected, resulting in a cost decrease of \$11.9 million. The  
12 combination of the higher volume and lower fuel costs results in a net decrease  
13 for economy power sales of \$4.1 million. The remaining variance of \$0.7 million  
14 is primarily attributable to lower than projected St. Lucie Plant Reliability  
15 Exchange sales.

16  
17 Variable Power Plant O&M Attributable to Off-System Sales \$0.2 million  
18 increase (Exhibit RBD-3, page 2, line 12, column 6)

19 The variance for variable power plant O&M attributable to off-system sales is  
20 primarily attributable to higher than originally projected economy power sales.

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1 (line 13, column 15). This \$16,164,334 net over-recovery is comprised of the  
2 revised 2018 final true-up over-recovery of \$7,161,719 (line 11, column 15)  
3 included in this filing as Exhibit RBD-6 and the actual/estimated true-up over-  
4 recovery, including interest, of \$9,002,615 for the period January 2019 through  
5 December 2019 (lines 8 plus 9, column 15).

6 **Q. Is this true-up calculation made in accordance with the procedures**  
7 **previously approved in predecessors to this docket?**

8 A. Yes.

9 **Q. Please explain the variances related to capacity costs.**

10 A. As shown in Exhibit RBD-4, page 5, line 1, column 5, total system capacity costs  
11 are estimated to be \$3.4 million or 1.3% less than projected in FPL's original  
12 projection filing. The variance related to the jurisdictional portion of these costs  
13 is a 1.3% decrease from the original projection (page 5, line 27, column 6).

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15 Below are the primary reasons for the estimated \$3.4 million decrease in total  
16 system capacity costs.

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18 Incremental Plant Security O&M Costs: \$3.6 million decrease (Exhibit RBD-4,  
19 page 4, line 6, column 5)

20 The variance for incremental plant security is primarily attributable to the  
21 implementation of cost savings initiatives at the St. Lucie and Turkey Point plants  
22 resulting in lower security force costs and a decrease in the associated insurance  
23 costs.

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1           Additionally, costs were incorrectly charged to the capacity clause in 2018. A  
2           correction was made in January to move costs from the capacity clause to base  
3           rates.

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5           Transmission Revenues from Capacity Sales: \$1.4 million increase (Exhibit RBD-  
6           4, page 4, line 11, column 5)

7           The variance for transmission revenues from capacity sales is primarily  
8           attributable to \$0.9 million higher than projected revenues from economy sales.  
9           Additionally, higher than projected revenues from capacity premiums resulted in  
10          a variance of approximately \$0.5 million.

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12          Transmission of Electricity by Others: \$0.2 million decrease (Exhibit RBD-4,  
13          page 4, line 10, column 5)

14          The variance for transmission of electricity by others is primarily due to lower  
15          costs than originally projected for the purchase of third party transmission utilized  
16          to facilitate wholesale power sales in the first half of the year. This decrease is  
17          partly offset by slightly higher than originally projected third party transmission  
18          costs in the second half of the period.

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20          Incremental Nuclear Compliance O&M Costs: \$0.8 million increase (Exhibit  
21          RBD-4, page 4, line 8, column 5)

22          The variance for incremental nuclear compliance O&M costs is primarily  
23          attributable to modifications at Turkey Point required to address higher than  
24          anticipated water levels following a beyond design basis threat. Modifications

1 include sealing of critical equipment access points and raising the height of  
2 existing flood barriers.

3 **Q. Have you provided a schedule showing the capital structure components and**  
4 **cost rates relied upon by FPL to calculate the rate of return applied to all**  
5 **capital projects recovered in Docket 20190001-EI?**

6 A. Yes. The capital structure components and cost rates used to calculate the rate of  
7 return on capital investments for the period January 2019 through December 2019  
8 are included on pages 16 and 17 of Exhibit RBD-4.

9 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

10 A. Yes, it does.

1                   **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

2                   **FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY**

3                   **TESTIMONY OF RENAE B. DEATON**

4                   **DOCKET NO. 20190001-EI**

5                   **SEPTEMBER 3, 2019**

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7   **Q.    Please state your name, business address, employer and position.**

8    A.    My name is Renae B. Deaton. My business address is 700 Universe Boulevard,  
9           Juno Beach, Florida 33408. I am employed by Florida Power & Light Company  
10           (“FPL” or “the Company”) as the Director, Clause Recovery and Wholesale Rates  
11           in the Regulatory & State Governmental Affairs Department.

12   **Q.    Have you previously testified in this docket?**

13   A.    Yes, I have.

14   **Q.    What is the purpose of your testimony?**

15   A.    My testimony addresses the following subjects:

16           -       The Fuel Cost Recovery (“FCR”) Clause factors for the following periods:  
17                   (i) January 2020 through April 2020, and (ii) May 2020 through December  
18                   2020, reflecting the fuel savings associated with the four solar energy  
19                   centers expected to enter commercial operation by May 1, 2020 (“2020  
20                   Project”);

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- 1           -       The 2020 FCR factors based on the traditional factor calculation method,  
2                    which spreads the fuel savings associated with the 2020 Project over the  
3                    entire calendar year, for informational purposes;
- 4           -       The calculation of the jurisdictional amount of FPL’s portion of the 2018  
5                    incentive mechanism gains for recovery through the 2020 FCR factors;
- 6           -       The Capacity Cost Recovery (“CCR”) Clause factors for the period January  
7                    2020 through December 2020 and the CCR factors for the same period,  
8                    including a refund for the 2017 SoBRA true-up, and an adjustment to  
9                    recover the non-fuel revenue requirements associated with the Indiantown  
10                  Cogeneration L.P. facility (“Indiantown”), as approved in Order No. PSC-  
11                  16-0506-FOF-EI, issued in Docket No. 160154-EI on November 2, 2016;
- 12          -       The non-fuel revenue requirement calculation for the Indiantown facility  
13                    for the period January 2020 through December 2020; and
- 14          -       FPL’s proposed cogeneration as-available energy (“COG-1”) tariff sheets,  
15                    which reflect updated variable operation and maintenance expense and loss  
16                    factors.

17   **Q.   Have you prepared or caused to be prepared under your direction,**  
18       **supervision, or control any exhibits in this proceeding?**

19   A.   Yes, I have. They are as follows:

20       Exhibit RBD-7 (Appendix II)

- 21               • Schedules E1, E1-E, E2, RS-1 Inverted Rate Calculation, and E10  
22                    provide the calculation of FCR factors for January 2020 through April  
23                    2020, which exclude fuel savings for the 2020 Project;

- 1                   • Schedules E1-A, E1-C, E1-D, Calculation of Jurisdictional Incentive  
2                   Mechanism Gains – FPL Portion, and H1, which pertain to the entire  
3                   2020 calendar year;
- 4                   • Pages 9 through 12, which provide the 2020 Projected Energy Losses  
5                   by Rate Class;
- 6                   • Pages 78 and 79, which provide updated COG-1 tariff sheets;

7           Exhibit RBD-8 (Appendix III)

- 8                   • Schedules E1, E1-E, E2, RS-1 Inverted Rate Calculation, and E10 for  
9                   the period May 2020 through December 2020, which include fuel  
10                  savings for the 2020 Project;

11          Exhibit RBD-9 (Appendix IV)

- 12                  • Schedules E1, E1-E, E2, RS-1 Inverted Rate Calculation and E10 that  
13                  provide the calculation of FCR factors for the period January 2020  
14                  through December 2020 based on the traditional factor calculation  
15                  methodology, which spreads fuel savings for the 2020 Project over the  
16                  entire calendar year;

17          Exhibit RBD-10 (Appendix V)

- 18                  • Pages 1 through 4 provide the calculation of the 2020 CCR factors  
19                  including the refund for the 2017 SoBRA true-up, and excluding the  
20                  Indiantown non-fuel revenue requirements for January 2020 through  
21                  December 2020;
- 22                  • Pages 5 through 10 provide the calculation of depreciation and return  
23                  on incremental power plant security and incremental Nuclear

- 1 Regulatory Commission (“NRC”) compliance capital investments;
- 2 • Page 11 provides the calculation of amortization and return on the
- 3 regulatory asset related to the Cedar Bay Transaction;
- 4 • Page 12 provides the calculation of amortization and return on the
- 5 regulatory liability related to the Cedar Bay Transaction;
- 6 • Page 13 provides the calculation of amortization and return on the
- 7 regulatory asset related to Indiantown;
- 8 • Page 14 provides the calculation of amortization and return on the
- 9 regulatory asset and liability related to St. Johns River Power Park, and
- 10 the refund to customers associated with the deferred interest liability and
- 11 dismantlement;
- 12 • Page 15 provides the capital structure components and cost rates relied
- 13 upon to calculate the rate of return applied to capital investments and
- 14 working capital amounts included for recovery through the CCR clause
- 15 for the period January 2020 through December 2020;
- 16 • Pages 18 and 19 provide the calculation of the portion of the CCR
- 17 factors that recovers the non-fuel revenue requirements associated with
- 18 Indiantown for the period January 2020 through December 2020;
- 19 • Page 20 combines the results from pages 1 through 4 and pages 18 and
- 20 19 to provide the total 2020 CCR factors including the non-fuel revenue
- 21 requirements associated with Indiantown for the period January 2020
- 22 through December 2020;
- 23 • Pages 21 and 22 provide the calculation of the Indiantown revenue

1 requirements for January 2020 through December 2020;

- 2 • Pages 23 through 32 provide the calculations of stratified separation  
3 factors.

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5 **FUEL COST RECOVERY CLAUSE**

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7 **Q. What adjustments are included in the calculation of the 2020 FCR factors  
8 shown on Schedules E1 included in Appendices II through IV?**

9 A. The 2020 FCR factors include adjustments for the total net true-up, the Generating  
10 Performance Incentive Factor (“GPIF”), and the jurisdictional amount associated  
11 with FPL’s share of the 2018 incentive mechanism gains. The total net true-up to be  
12 included in the 2020 FCR factors is an over-recovery of \$58,082,532, as shown on  
13 line 30 of Schedule E1.

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15 The GPIF testimony of witness Charles R. Rote, filed on March 15, 2019, proposes  
16 a reward of \$8,577,071 for the period ending December 2018, as shown on line 34  
17 of Schedule E1.

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19 FPL is including \$12,786,460 for the jurisdictional amount associated with its share  
20 of 2018 incentive mechanism gains in the calculation of its 2020 FCR factors, as  
21 shown on line 35 of Schedule E1. As presented and explained in the direct testimony  
22 and exhibits of FPL witness Gerard J. Yupp filed on March 1, 2019 in this docket,  
23 FPL’s activities under the incentive mechanism in 2018 delivered \$62,404,332 in total

1 gains. Of these total gains, FPL is allowed to retain \$13,442,599 (system amount) per  
2 Order No. PSC-13-0023-S-EI dated January 14, 2013 and Order No. PSC-16-0560-  
3 AS-EI dated December 15, 2016. FPL will reflect recovery of one-twelfth of the  
4 approved jurisdictional amount of \$12,786,460, net of revenue taxes, in each month's  
5 Schedule A2 for the period January 2020 through December 2020 as a reduction to  
6 jurisdictional fuel revenues applicable to each period. The calculation of the  
7 jurisdictional amount of the 2018 incentive mechanism gains adjusted for revenue  
8 taxes is shown on page 4 of Appendix II.

9 **Q. Please explain the adjustment reflected on line 4 of Schedule E1 related to the**  
10 **fuel cost of stratified sales.**

11 A. FPL has included a credit of \$23,890,327 associated with stratified wholesale  
12 power sales contracts in effect in 2020. The fuel costs for wholesale power  
13 contracts are calculated based on a guaranteed heat rate and a fuel price index. The  
14 fuel costs of wholesale sales are normally included in the total cost of fuel and net  
15 power transactions used to calculate the average system cost per kWh for fuel  
16 adjustment purposes. However, since the fuel cost of the stratified sales are not  
17 recovered on an average system cost basis, an adjustment has been made to remove  
18 these costs and the related kWh sales from the fuel adjustment calculation. This  
19 adjustment was performed in the same manner that off-system sales are removed  
20 from the calculation, consistent with Order No. PSC-97-0262-FOF-EI.

21 **Q. Has FPL included any other adjustment to the calculation of the 2020 FCR**  
22 **factors?**

23 A. Yes. FPL has included the cost associated with the 2020 Subscription Credit for



1 the proposed FPL SolarTogether Program discussed in the direct testimony of FPL  
2 witness Scott Bores filed on July 29, 2019 in Docket No. 20190061-EI. This is  
3 discussed further in my testimony below.

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5 **Calculation of 2020 FCR Factors**

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7 **Q. Please explain how FPL has calculated its proposed FCR factors for the period**  
8 **January 2020 through December 2020 to reflect the impact of the fuel savings**  
9 **associated with the 2020 Project.**

10 A. Pursuant to the Stipulation and Settlement Agreement reached in FPL's base rate case  
11 approved by the Commission in Order No. PSC-16-0560-AS-EI, Docket No. 160021-  
12 EI ("2016 Base Rate Settlement Agreement"), FPL is authorized to recover through  
13 the Solar Base Rate Adjustment ("SoBRA") mechanism, the revenue requirements  
14 based on the first 12 months of operations of the 2020 Project. The SoBRA  
15 associated with the 2020 Project is expected to be implemented by May 1, 2020.  
16 FPL proposes that the corresponding fuel savings associated with the 2020 Project  
17 be reflected in the 2020 FCR factors concurrent with the SoBRA adjustment in  
18 order to align costs with the fuel savings benefits. This treatment is consistent with  
19 past practice approved by the Commission.

20 **Q. How would a delay in the commercial operation date of the 2020 Project**  
21 **impact the 2020 FCR factors?**

22 A. At this time, FPL does not anticipate a delay in the commercial operation date of  
23 the 2020 Project. Should FPL become aware of a delay, FPL will promptly provide

1 notification to the Commission of such delay and provide an updated in-service  
2 date. FPL will not implement the 2020 SoBRA until those units go into service.

3 **Q. What are the projected 2020 fuel savings associated with the 2020 Project?**

4 A. As explained in the testimony of FPL witness Yupp, the projected 2020 total system  
5 fuel savings associated with the 2020 Project are \$11,149,004.

6 **Q. Please explain the calculation of 2020 FCR factors reflecting the fuel savings  
7 associated with the 2020 Project.**

8 A. FPL first calculates the FCR factors for January 2020 through April 2020 that  
9 exclude the fuel savings associated with the 2020 Project. These FCR factors  
10 assume the 2020 Project are not yet operating and therefore exclude the associated  
11 fuel savings. This adjustment is reflected on line 2 of Schedule E1 in Appendix II.  
12 The levelized FCR factor for January 2020 through April 2020 including these  
13 adjustments is 2.252 cents per kWh. For FPL's Residential 1,000 kWh bill, this  
14 represents a fuel charge of \$19.25 during this period.

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16 Next, FPL calculates the FCR factors for May 2020 through December 2020 that  
17 include the fuel savings associated with the 2020 Project that is scheduled to go in-  
18 service by May 1, 2020. This adjustment is shown on line 36 of Schedule E1 in  
19 Appendix III. The levelized FCR factor for May 2020 through December 2020  
20 including this adjustment is 2.238 cents per kWh. For FPL's Residential 1,000  
21 kWh bill, this represents a fuel charge of \$19.11 for this period.

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1 Schedule E2 provides the monthly fuel factors as well as the levelized FCR factor  
2 for 2020. Schedule E-1E provides the calculation of the 2020 FCR factors by rate  
3 group for each period.

4 **Q. Has FPL also calculated levelized FCR factors that would apply uniformly**  
5 **throughout calendar year 2020?**

6 A. Yes. Although FPL requests approval of separate FCR factors for two periods,  
7 reflecting the impact of the 2020 Project in those periods, FPL provides for  
8 informational purposes the calculation of a twelve-month levelized fuel factor for  
9 2020. Appendix IV includes Schedules E1, E1-E, E2, RS-1 Inverted Rate  
10 Calculation and E10, which calculate a twelve-month levelized fuel factor of 2.242  
11 cents per kWh by including the fuel savings for the 2020 Project throughout the  
12 twelve months of 2020.

13 **Q. Please briefly explain the cost of the 2020 Subscription Credit associated with**  
14 **the proposed FPL SolarTogether Program.**

15 A. If approved by the Commission, the 2020 Subscription Credit associated with the  
16 proposed FPL SolarTogether Program is projected to be \$31,975,895, which is  
17 reflected on Schedule E1. As discussed in the direct testimony of FPL witness  
18 Bores filed on July 29, 2019 in Docket No. 20190061-EI, the Subscription Credit  
19 reflects system savings attributable to the avoided generation resulting from the  
20 addition of the six FPL SolarTogether Centers that are scheduled to go into service  
21 in 2020. If the Commission does not approve or modifies the FPL SolarTogether  
22 Program, FPL will submit revised schedules reflecting the Commission's order.

23 **Q. What are the projected 2020 fuel savings associated with the FPL**

1           **SolarTogether Program?**

2    A.    As explained in the testimony of FPL witness Yupp, the projected 2020 total system  
3           fuel savings associated with the FPL SolarTogether Program are \$18,694,958.  
4           These system fuel savings serve as an offset to the Subscription Credit of  
5           \$31,975,895. As discussed in FPL witness Bores' testimony, the amount of the  
6           Subscription Credit being paid to participants is projected to exceed the actual  
7           system savings during the early years; however, the actual annual clause system  
8           savings are projected to be greater than the credit paid to participants over the life  
9           of the Program.

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**CAPACITY COST RECOVERY CLAUSE**

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13   **Q.    Have you prepared a summary of the requested capacity costs for the**  
14           **projected period of January 2020 through December 2020?**

15    A.    Yes. Pages 1 and 2 of Appendix V provides this summary. Total recoverable  
16           capacity costs for the period January 2020 through December 2020 are  
17           \$233,943,004 (page 2, line 37). This includes \$256,597,002 for 2020 projected  
18           jurisdictional capacity costs, the net true-up over-recovery for 2018 and 2019 of  
19           \$16,164,334 (line 32 plus line 33), a \$6,657,982 refund associated with the 2017  
20           SoBRA true-up, and revenue taxes. This \$233,943,004 excludes the 2020  
21           Indiantown non-fuel revenue requirements.

22   **Q.    Please describe the adjustment associated with the true-up of the 2017 SoBRA.**

23    A.    Pursuant to the 2016 Base Rate Settlement Agreement, a true-up of the SoBRA is

1 required if actual capital costs are lower than projected. As such, FPL has included  
2 a credit of \$6.7 million, including interest, (Appendix V, page 1, line 34) for the  
3 true-up of 2017 SoBRA costs as a reduction in the calculation of its 2020 CCR  
4 factors. The calculation of this credit is discussed in the testimony and exhibits of  
5 FPL witness Edward J. Anderson.

6 **Q. What are the projected Indiantown jurisdictional non-fuel revenue**  
7 **requirements for the January 2020 through December 2020 period?**

8 A. The jurisdictional non-fuel revenue requirements for January 2020 through  
9 December 2020 are \$3,687,779. The calculation of this amount is shown on  
10 Exhibit RBD-10, Appendix V. FPL has made an adjustment for the Indiantown  
11 non-fuel revenue requirements consistent with the method previously used when  
12 the West County Energy Center Unit 3 (“WCEC3”) non-fuel revenue requirements  
13 were recovered through the CCR as approved in Order No. PSC-13-0023-S-EI,  
14 issued in Docket No. 120015-EI on January 14, 2013.

15 **Q. Has FPL requested to modify the method used to calculate the weighted**  
16 **average cost of capital (“WACC”) to be applied to recoverable investments in**  
17 **its cost recovery clauses?**

18 A. Yes. FPL filed an Unopposed Joint Motion to Modify Order No. PSC-12-0425-  
19 PAA-EU (“2012 WACC Order”) Regarding Weighted Average Cost of Capital  
20 Methodology (“Joint Motion”) on August 21, 2019 in this docket to incorporate an  
21 adjustment to accumulated deferred federal income taxes, if needed, in order to  
22 comply with Internal Revenue Service Normalization Rules. As stated in the Joint  
23 Motion, a modified WACC methodology would apply only in instances when the

1           Limitation Provision is not met, i.e., a forecasted test period is used to set rates and  
2           the depreciation-related Accumulated Deferred Federal Income Tax (“ADFIT”)  
3           balance used for ratemaking purposes is less than or equal to the ADFIT projected  
4           for the period in which the new rates take effect.

5   **Q.    Is FPL proposing to apply a WACC calculation to its 2020 CCR recoverable**  
6           **investments different than what is currently required under the 2012 WACC**  
7           **Order?**

8    A.    No. FPL has met the Limitation Provision, i.e., FPL’s projected 2020 ADFIT is  
9           higher than the level included in FPL’s WACC reflected in its May 2019 Earnings  
10          Surveillance Report, therefore no adjustment to its WACC methodology is  
11          required. As stated in the Joint Motion, the WACC methodology currently  
12          prescribed in the 2012 WACC Order should be applied to projected recoverable  
13          investments as long as FPL’s Limitation Provision required under the Internal  
14          Revenue Code is met or exceeded.

15   **Q.    Have you provided a calculation of 2020 CCR factors by rate class including**  
16           **an adjustment to recover the non-fuel revenue requirements associated with**  
17           **Indiantown for the period January 2020 through December 2020?**

18    A.    Yes. As approved in Order No. PSC-16-0506-FOF-EI, FPL has included on pages  
19           18 and 19 of Exhibit RBD-10, Appendix V, the 2020 non-fuel revenue  
20           requirements associated with Indiantown of \$3,687,779. Accordingly, page 20 of  
21           Exhibit RBD-10, Appendix V, shows the calculation of the 2020 CCR factors  
22           including the non-fuel revenue requirements associated with Indiantown for the  
23           period January 2020 through December 2020.

1 **Q. Has FPL accounted for stratified wholesale power sales contracts in the**  
2 **jurisdictional separation of projected 2020 capacity costs?**

3 A. Yes. FPL has separated the production-related capacity costs based on stratified  
4 separation factors that better reflect the types of generation required to serve load  
5 under stratified wholesale power sales contracts. The use of stratified separation  
6 factors thus results in a more accurate separation of capacity costs between the retail  
7 and wholesale jurisdictions. The stratified separation factors are provided in  
8 Appendix V, pages 23-31.

9 **Q. Have you prepared a calculation of the allocation factors for demand and**  
10 **energy?**

11 A. Yes. Page 3 of Appendix V provides this calculation. The demand allocation  
12 factors are calculated by determining the percentage each rate class contributes to  
13 the monthly system peaks. The energy allocators are calculated by determining the  
14 percentage each rate class contributes to total kWh sales, as adjusted for losses.

15 **Q. What are the effective dates that FPL is requesting for the new FCR and CCR**  
16 **factors for 2020?**

17 A. FPL is requesting that the January 2020 FCR factors and the CCR factors for the  
18 period January 2020 through December 2020 become effective starting with meter  
19 readings made on or after January 1, 2020. FPL is also requesting that the FCR  
20 factors for the period May 2020 through December 2020 become effective  
21 coincident with the in-service date of the 2020 Project, which is expected to be by  
22 May 1, 2020. These factors should remain in effect until modified by this  
23 Commission.

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**Proposed 2020 Residential Bill**

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4 **Q. What is FPL's proposed residential 1,000 kWh bill for the period January**  
5 **2020 through December 2020?**

6 A. FPL's proposed residential 1,000 kWh bill for January 2020 through April 2020 is  
7 \$96.33. This proposed bill includes a base rate charge of \$69.43, an FCR charge  
8 of \$19.25, a CCR charge of \$2.30, an environmental cost recovery charge of \$1.55,  
9 a conservation cost recovery charge of \$1.39 and gross receipts tax of \$2.41.

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11 Once the 2020 Project is placed in-service, projected to be by May 1, 2020, FPL's  
12 base rate charge will increase to \$69.94 to reflect the application of the SoBRA,  
13 consistent with the 2016 Base Rate Settlement Agreement and the FCR charge will  
14 decrease to \$19.11 to include the associated fuel savings. FPL's proposed  
15 residential 1,000 kWh bill for the period May 2020 through December 2020 is  
16 \$96.71.

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18 FPL's proposed residential 1,000 kWh bills for 2020 are provided on Schedule E-  
19 10, which is page 7 of Appendix IV.

20 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

21 A. Yes, it does.



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2 inserted.)

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1           **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**  
2                           **FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY**  
3                           **TESTIMONY OF GERARD J. YUPP**  
4                           **DOCKET NO. 20190001-EI**  
5                           **MARCH 1, 2019**

6   **Q.    Please state your name and address.**

7   A.    My name is Gerard J. Yupp. My business address is 700 Universe Boulevard,  
8           Juno Beach, Florida, 33408.

9   **Q.    By whom are you employed and what is your position?**

10 A.    I am employed by Florida Power and Light Company (“FPL”) as Senior  
11         Director of Wholesale Operations in the Energy Marketing and Trading  
12         Division.

13 **Q.    Please summarize your educational background and professional**  
14 **experience.**

15 A.    I graduated from Drexel University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in  
16         Electrical Engineering in 1989. I joined the Protection and Control Department  
17         of FPL in 1989 as a Field Engineer where I was responsible for the installation,  
18         maintenance, and troubleshooting of protective relay equipment for generation,  
19         transmission and distribution facilities. While employed by FPL, I earned a  
20         Masters of Business Administration degree from Florida Atlantic University in  
21         1994. In 1996, I joined the Energy Marketing and Trading Division (“EMT”) of  
22         FPL as a real-time power trader. I progressed through several power trading

1 positions and assumed the lead role for power trading in 2002. In 2004, I  
2 became the Director of Wholesale Operations and natural gas and fuel oil  
3 procurement and operations were added to my responsibilities. I have been in  
4 my current role since 2008. On the operations side, I am responsible for the  
5 procurement and management of all natural gas and fuel oil for FPL, as well as  
6 all short-term power trading activity. Finally, I am responsible for the oversight  
7 of FPL's optimization activities associated with the Incentive Mechanism.

8 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

9 A. The purpose of my testimony is to present the 2018 results of FPL's activities  
10 under the Incentive Mechanism that was originally approved by Order No.  
11 PSC-13-0023-S-EI, dated January 14, 2013, in Docket No. 120015-EI and  
12 approved for continuation, with certain modifications, by Order No. PSC-16-  
13 0560-AS-EI, dated December 15, 2016, in Docket No. 160021-EI.

14 **Q. Have you prepared or caused to be prepared under your supervision,  
15 direction and control any exhibits in this proceeding?**

16 A. Yes, I am sponsoring the following exhibits:

- 17 • GJY-1, consisting of 4 pages:
  - 18 ▪ Page 1 – Total Gains Schedule
  - 19 ▪ Page 2 – Wholesale Power Detail
  - 20 ▪ Page 3 – Asset Optimization Detail
  - 21 ▪ Page 4 – Incremental Optimization Costs

22 **Q. Please provide an overview of the Incentive Mechanism.**

23 A. The Incentive Mechanism is an expanded optimization program that is designed

1 to create additional value for FPL's customers while also providing an incentive  
2 to FPL if certain customer-value thresholds are achieved. The Incentive  
3 Mechanism includes gains from wholesale power sales and savings from  
4 wholesale power purchases, as well as gains from other forms of asset  
5 optimization. These other forms of asset optimization include, but are not  
6 limited to, natural gas storage optimization, natural gas sales, capacity releases  
7 of natural gas transportation, capacity releases of electric transmission and  
8 potentially capturing additional value from a third party in the form of an Asset  
9 Management Agreement (AMA). Under the modified Incentive Mechanism,  
10 customers receive 100% of the gains up to the sharing threshold of \$40 million.  
11 Incremental gains above \$40 million are shared between FPL and customers as  
12 follows: customers receive 40% and FPL receives 60% of the incremental  
13 gains between \$40 million and \$100 million; and customers receive 50% and  
14 FPL receives 50% of all incremental gains above \$100 million.

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16 In addition, FPL recovers the net amount of variable power plant O&M  
17 incurred during the year. This is accomplished by multiplying the per-MWh  
18 variable power plant O&M rate times the volume (MWh) of economy sales and  
19 then subtracting the per-MWh variable power plant O&M rate times the volume  
20 (MWh) of economy purchases. For example, if economy purchases are greater  
21 than economy sales, customers will receive a credit for the net variable power  
22 plant O&M that has been saved during the year. The per-MWh variable power  
23 plant O&M rate that FPL utilizes to calculate these costs, as described in FPL's

1 2017 Test Year MFRs filed with the 2016 Rate Petition, is \$0.65/MWh.  
2 Finally, FPL is allowed to recover reasonable and prudent incremental O&M  
3 costs incurred in implementing the expanded optimization program under the  
4 Incentive Mechanism, including incremental personnel, software and associated  
5 hardware costs.

6 **Q. Please summarize the activities and results of the Incentive Mechanism for**  
7 **2018?**

8 A. FPL's activities under the Incentive Mechanism in 2018 delivered \$62,404,332  
9 in total gains. During 2018, FPL's activities under the Incentive Mechanism  
10 included wholesale power purchases and sales, natural gas sales in the market  
11 and production areas, gas storage utilization, and the capacity release of firm  
12 natural gas transportation. Additionally, FPL entered into several Asset  
13 Management Agreements related to a small portion of upstream gas  
14 transportation during 2018. The total gains of \$62,404,332 exceeded the  
15 sharing threshold of \$40 million. Therefore, the incremental gains above \$40  
16 million will be shared between customers and FPL, 40% and 60%, respectively.  
17 Exhibit GJY-1, Page 1, shows monthly gain totals, threshold levels and the final  
18 gains allocation for 2018.

19 **Q. Please provide the details of FPL's wholesale power activities under the**  
20 **Incentive Mechanism for 2018.**

21 A. The details of FPL's 2018 wholesale power sales and purchases are shown  
22 separately on Page 2 of Exhibit GJY-1. FPL had gains of \$32,462,909 on  
23 wholesale sales and savings of \$7,943,114 on wholesale purchases for the year.

1 **Q. Please provide the details of FPL's asset optimization activities under the**  
2 **Incentive Mechanism for 2018.**

3 A. The details of FPL's 2018 asset optimization activities are shown on Page 3 of  
4 Exhibit GJY-1. FPL had a total of \$21,998,309 of gains that were the result of  
5 seven different forms of asset optimization.

6 **Q. Did FPL engage in any new forms of asset optimization during 2018?**

7 A. No. FPL did not engage in any new forms of asset optimization activities  
8 during 2018.

9 **Q. Did FPL incur incremental O&M expenses related to the operation of the**  
10 **Incentive Mechanism in 2018?**

11 A. Yes. FPL incurred personnel expenses of \$458,689 related to the costs  
12 associated with an additional two and one-half personnel required to support  
13 FPL's expanded activities under the Incentive Mechanism. FPL also incurred  
14 \$57,762 in expenses related to licensing fees of OATI WebTrader software. In  
15 total, FPL incurred incremental O&M expenses related to the operation of the  
16 Incentive Mechanism of \$516,451 in 2018.

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18 On the variable power plant O&M side, FPL's actual net economy power sales  
19 and purchases totaled 2,246,006 MWh (2,478,644 MWh of economy sales and  
20 232,638 MWh of economy purchases), resulting in net variable power plant  
21 O&M costs of \$1,459,905 for 2018.

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1 **Q. Overall, were FPL's activities under the Incentive Mechanism successful in**  
2 **2018?**

3 A. Yes. FPL's activities under the Incentive Mechanism were highly successful in  
4 2018. On the wholesale power and natural gas optimization side, suitable  
5 market conditions in the winter period helped drive strong wholesale power  
6 sales and natural gas optimization activities and high demand during the late  
7 summer/early fall peak period provided the opportunity to purchase power from  
8 the market to avoid running more expensive generation. Overall, FPL was able  
9 to consistently capitalize on power market opportunities throughout the year to  
10 deliver slightly more than \$40.4 million in customer benefits. Asset  
11 optimization activities related to natural gas resulted in significant customer  
12 benefits of nearly \$22 million. In total, these activities delivered \$62,404,332 of  
13 gains, which contrast very favorably to the total optimization expenses  
14 (personnel and variable power plant O&M) of \$1,976,355.

15 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

16 A. Yes it does.

1                   **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**  
2                   **FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY**  
3                   **TESTIMONY OF GERARD J. YUPP**  
4                   **DOCKET NO. 20190001-EI**  
5                   **SEPTEMBER 3, 2019**

6   **Q.     Please state your name and address.**

7   A.     My name is Gerard J. Yupp. My business address is 700 Universe Boulevard,  
8           Juno Beach, Florida, 33408.

9   **Q.     By whom are you employed and what is your position?**

10  A.     I am employed by Florida Power and Light Company (“FPL”) as Senior  
11           Director of Wholesale Operations in the Energy Marketing and Trading  
12           Division.

13  **Q.     Have you previously testified in this docket?**

14  A.     Yes.

15  **Q.     What is the purpose of your testimony?**

16  A.     The purpose of my testimony is to present and explain FPL’s projections for  
17           (1) the dispatch costs of heavy fuel oil, light fuel oil, coal and natural gas;  
18           (2) the availability of natural gas to FPL; (3) generating unit heat rates and  
19           availabilities; and (4) the quantities and costs of wholesale (off-system) power  
20           sales and purchased power transactions. Additionally, my testimony addresses  
21           the Incentive Mechanism results for 2018 and the Incremental Optimization  
22           Costs included in FPL’s 2020 Projection Filing pursuant to the Incentive



1 Mechanism that was approved in Order No. PSC-16-0560-AS-EI dated  
2 December 15, 2016 (“2016 Base Rate Settlement Agreement”). Lastly, I  
3 present the projected fuel savings resulting from the commercial operation of  
4 four new solar energy centers estimated to be placed into service on May 1,  
5 2020 and the projected fuel savings resulting from the commercial operation of  
6 six new solar energy centers estimated to be placed into service on February 1,  
7 2020 as part of FPL’s SolarTogether Program.

8 **Q. Have you prepared or caused to be prepared under your supervision,  
9 direction and control any exhibits in this proceeding?**

10 A. Yes, I am sponsoring the following exhibits:

- 11 • GJY-2: Appendix I

12 and I am co-sponsoring:

- 13 • Schedules E2 through E9 of Appendix II included in Renae Deaton’s  
14 Exhibit RBD-7 and Schedule E2 of Appendix III and IV included in  
15 Renae Deaton’s Exhibits RBD-8 and RBD-9, respectively.

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17 **FUEL PRICE FORECAST**

18 **Q. What forecast methodologies did FPL use for the 2020 recovery period?**

19 A. For natural gas commodity prices, the forecast methodology relies upon the  
20 NYMEX Natural Gas Futures contract prices (forward curve). For light and  
21 heavy fuel oil prices, FPL utilizes Over-The-Counter (“OTC”) forward market  
22 prices. Projections for the price of coal are based on actual coal purchases and  
23 price forecasts developed by J.D. Energy. Forecasts for the availability of

1 natural gas are developed internally at FPL and are based on contractual  
2 commitments and market experience. The forward curves for both natural gas  
3 and fuel oil represent expected future prices at a given point in time. The basic  
4 assumption made with respect to using the forward curves is that all available  
5 data that could impact the price of natural gas and fuel oil in the short-term is  
6 incorporated into the curves at all times. FPL utilized forward curve prices  
7 from the close of business on July 26, 2019 for its 2020 projection filing, which  
8 is the most current information that could be incorporated into FPL's schedule  
9 for calculating the 2020 Fuel Cost Recovery ("FCR") Clause factors.

10 **Q. Has FPL used these same forecasting methodologies previously?**

11 A. Yes. FPL began using the NYMEX Natural Gas Futures contract prices  
12 (forward curve) and OTC forward market prices in 2004 for its 2005 projections  
13 and has used this methodology consistently since that time.

14 **Q. What are the factors that can affect FPL's natural gas prices during the  
15 January through December 2020 period?**

16 A. In general, the key physical factors are (1) North American natural gas demand  
17 and domestic production; (2) the level of working gas in underground storage  
18 throughout the period; (3) weather (particularly in the winter period); (4) the  
19 potential for imports and/or exports of natural gas; and (5) the terms of FPL's  
20 natural gas supply and transportation contracts.

21

22 In its August 2019 Short-Term Energy Outlook, the Energy Information  
23 Administration ("EIA") forecasts Henry Hub natural gas spot prices will

1 average approximately \$2.36 per MMBtu in the second half of 2019. The EIA  
2 expects natural gas prices to increase to an average of \$2.75 per MMBtu in  
3 2020 in order to bring supply into balance with domestic and rising export  
4 demand. Natural gas production is estimated to grow by an average rate of  
5 roughly 9% in 2019 (compared to 2018 levels) and 1.6% in 2020 (compared to  
6 2019 levels).

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8 Total natural gas consumption is forecast to increase by roughly 3% in 2019  
9 (compared to 2018) before slightly decreasing in 2020. For 2019, increases in  
10 natural gas consumption are mainly due to higher use in the electric power  
11 sector. The increase in 2019 also reflects higher commercial and industrial  
12 demand compared to 2018. For 2020, power sector consumption is projected to  
13 decrease compared to 2019 and industrial demand is expected to increase.  
14 Overall, total natural gas consumption in 2020 is projected to decrease slightly  
15 compared to 2019 consumption levels. Natural gas storage levels ended July  
16 2019 at roughly 2.7 trillion cubic feet, or 13% higher than levels at the end of  
17 July 2018 and 4% lower than the five-year average. Natural gas storage levels  
18 are expected to reach approximately 3.7 trillion cubic feet at the end of October  
19 2019, which would be 16% higher than October 2018 and slightly above the  
20 five-year average level for the end of October.

21 **Q. Please describe FPL's natural gas transportation portfolio for the January**  
22 **through December 2020 period.**

23 A. FPL utilizes the Florida Gas Transmission Company, LLC ("FGT"),

1 Gulfstream Natural Gas System, LLC (“Gulfstream”), Sabal Trail  
2 Transmission, LLC (“Sabal Trail”), and Florida Southeast Connection, LLC  
3 (“FSC”) pipelines to deliver natural gas to its generation facilities. FPL’s total  
4 firm transportation capacity ranges from 1,150,000 to 1,274,000 MMBtu/day on  
5 FGT, 695,000 MMBtu/day on Gulfstream and 400,000 MMBtu/day on Sabal  
6 Trail/FSC from January through April 2020, increasing to 600,000 MMBtu/Day  
7 beginning on May 1, 2020. Additionally, FPL projects that during the January  
8 2020 through December 2020 period, varying levels of non-firm natural gas  
9 transportation capacity will be available, depending on the month.

10  
11 FPL also has firm transportation capacity on several upstream pipelines that  
12 provide FPL access to on-shore gas supply. FPL has 580,000 MMBtu/day of  
13 firm transport on the Southeast Supply Header (“SESH”) pipeline, 121,500  
14 MMBtu/day of firm transport on the Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Company,  
15 LLC (“Transco”) Zone 4A lateral, and 200,000 MMBtu/day (January through  
16 March and November through December) to 345,000 MMBtu/day (April  
17 through October) of firm transport on the Gulf South Pipeline Company, LP  
18 (“Gulf South”) pipeline. The firm transportation on the SESH, Transco, and  
19 Gulf South pipelines does not increase transportation capacity into the state;  
20 however, FPL’s firm transportation rights on these pipelines provide access for  
21 up to 1,046,500 MMBtu/day during the summer season of on-shore natural gas  
22 supply, which helps diversify FPL’s natural gas portfolio and enhance the  
23 reliability of fuel supply.

1 **Q. Please describe FPL’s natural gas storage position.**

2 A. FPL currently holds 4.0 billion cubic feet (“BCF”) of firm natural gas storage  
3 capacity in Bay Gas Storage, located in southwest Alabama and 1.0 BCF of  
4 firm natural gas storage capacity in Southern Pines Energy Center, located in  
5 southeast Mississippi. While the acquisition of upstream transportation  
6 capacity (e.g., SESH) has helped mitigate a large portion of risk associated with  
7 off-shore natural gas supply, natural gas storage capacity remains an important  
8 part of FPL’s gas portfolio. Approximately 14% of FPL’s supply continues to  
9 be sourced from off-shore sources. Additionally, as FPL’s reliance on natural  
10 gas has increased, the importance of natural gas storage in helping balance  
11 consumption “swings” due to weather and unit availability has also increased.  
12 Storage capacity improves reliability by providing a relatively inexpensive  
13 insurance policy against supply and infrastructure problems while also  
14 increasing FPL’s ability to manage supply and demand on a daily basis.

15 **Q. What are FPL’s projections for the dispatch cost and availability of  
16 natural gas for the January through December 2020 period?**

17 A. FPL’s projections of the system average dispatch cost and availability of natural  
18 gas, by transport type, by pipeline and by month, are provided on page 3 of  
19 Appendix I (GJY-2).

20 **Q. What are the key factors that could affect FPL’s price for heavy fuel oil  
21 during the January through December 2020 period?**

22 A. The key factors that could affect FPL’s price for heavy oil are (1) worldwide  
23 demand for crude oil and petroleum products (including domestic heavy fuel

1 oil); (2) non-OPEC crude oil supply; (3) the extent to which OPEC adheres to  
2 its quotas and reacts to fluctuating demand for OPEC crude oil; (4) the political  
3 and civil tensions in the major producing areas of the world like the Middle East  
4 and West Africa; (5) the availability of refining capacity; (6) the price  
5 relationship between heavy fuel oil and crude oil; (7) the supply and demand for  
6 heavy oil in the domestic market; (8) the terms of FPL's supply and fuel  
7 transportation contracts; and (9) domestic and global inventory.

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9 In its August 2019 Short-Term Energy Outlook report, the EIA forecasts West  
10 Texas Intermediate crude oil prices will average approximately \$57.87 per  
11 barrel in 2019 and \$59.50 per barrel in 2020. The EIA anticipates global crude  
12 oil and other liquid fuels production to grow by 0.3 million barrels per day in  
13 2019 and 1.5 million barrels per day in 2020, with consumption growing by  
14 approximately 1.0 million barrels per day in 2019 and 1.43 million barrels per  
15 day in 2020. U.S. crude oil and liquid fuels production is projected to increase  
16 by roughly 1.85 million barrels per day in 2019 and 1.54 million barrels per day  
17 in 2020. As always, an increase in geopolitical concerns could create upward  
18 pressure on oil prices.

19 **Q. Please provide FPL's projection for the dispatch cost of heavy fuel oil for**  
20 **the January through December 2020 period.**

21 A. FPL's projection for the system average dispatch cost of heavy fuel oil, by  
22 month, is provided on page 3 of Appendix I (GJY-2).

23

1 **Q. What are the key factors that could affect the price of light fuel oil?**

2 A. The key factors are similar to those described for heavy fuel oil.

3 **Q. Please provide FPL's projection for the dispatch cost of light fuel oil for the**  
4 **January through December 2020 period.**

5 A. FPL's projection for the system average dispatch cost of light oil, by month, is  
6 provided on page 3 of Appendix I (GJY-2).

7 **Q. What is the basis for FPL's projections of the dispatch cost of coal for**  
8 **Plant Scherer?**

9 A. FPL's projected dispatch costs are based on FPL's price projection for spot coal  
10 delivered to the plant.

11 **Q. Please provide FPL's projection for the dispatch cost of coal at Plant**  
12 **Scherer for the January through December 2020 period.**

13 A. FPL's projection for the system average dispatch cost of coal for this period, by  
14 month, is shown on page 3 of Appendix I (GJY-2).

15 **Q. Do the fuel costs reflected on Schedule E3 for heavy oil, light oil and coal**  
16 **differ from the dispatch costs shown on page 3 of Appendix I?**

17 A. Yes. FPL maintains inventories of those fuels and runs its plants out of that  
18 inventory. The dispatch costs reflect what FPL would pay to replace fuel that is  
19 removed from inventory to run the plants. On the other hand, the "charge out"  
20 costs for heavy oil, light oil and coal that are reflected on Schedule E3 are based  
21 on FPL's weighted average inventory cost, by month, for each fuel type.

22

1 **PLANT HEAT RATES, OUTAGE FACTORS, PLANNED OUTAGES,**  
2 **AND CHANGES IN GENERATING CAPACITY**

3 **Q. Please describe how FPL developed the projected Average Net Heat Rates**  
4 **shown on Schedule E4 of Appendix II.**

5 A. The projected Average Net Heat Rates were calculated by the GenTrader  
6 model. The current heat rate equations and efficiency factors for FPL's  
7 generating units, which present heat rate as a function of unit power level, were  
8 used as inputs to GenTrader for this calculation. The heat rate equations and  
9 efficiency factors are updated as appropriate based on historical unit  
10 performance and projected changes due to plant upgrades, fuel grade changes,  
11 and/or the results of performance tests.

12 **Q. Are you providing the outage factors projected for the period January**  
13 **through December 2020?**

14 A. Yes. This data is shown on page 4 of Appendix I.

15 **Q. How were the outage factors for this period developed?**

16 A. The unplanned outage factors were developed using the actual historical full  
17 and partial outage event data for each of the units. The historical unplanned  
18 outage factor of each generating unit was adjusted, as necessary, to eliminate  
19 non-recurring events and recognize the effect of planned outages to arrive at the  
20 projected factor for the period January through December 2020.

21 **Q. Please describe the significant planned outages for the January through**  
22 **December 2020 period.**

23 A. Planned outages at FPL's nuclear units are the most significant in relation to



1 fuel cost recovery. St. Lucie Unit 2 is scheduled to be out of service from  
2 February 17, 2020 until March 17, 2020, or 29 days during the period. Turkey  
3 Point Unit 3 is scheduled to be out of service from March 30, 2020 until April  
4 28, 2020, or 29 days during the period. Turkey Point Unit 4 is scheduled to be  
5 out of service from October 5, 2020 until November 14, 2020, or 40 days  
6 during the period.

7 **Q. Please identify any changes to FPL's fossil generation capacity projected to**  
8 **take place during the January through December 2020 period.**

9 A. As shown in FPL's 2019 Ten Year Power Plant Site Plan (Table ES-1, page  
10 14), FPL projects a net increase in its 2020 summer firm capacity of 600 MW.  
11 Increases to FPL's generation capacity include roughly 189 MW of capacity  
12 upgrades at several of FPL's existing combined cycle units and the addition of  
13 413 MW of solar generation. Decreases to FPL's generation capacity are the  
14 result of solar degradation (2 MW).

15

16 **WHOLESALE (OFF-SYSTEM) POWER AND PURCHASED POWER**  
17 **TRANSACTIONS**

18 **Q. Are you providing the projected wholesale (off-system) power sales and**  
19 **purchased power transactions forecasted for January through December**  
20 **2020?**

21 A. Yes. This data is shown on Schedules E6, E7, E8, and E9 of Appendix II of  
22 this filing.

23

1 **Q. In what types of wholesale (off-system) power transactions does FPL**  
2 **engage?**

3 A. FPL purchases power from the wholesale market when it can displace higher  
4 cost generation with lower cost power from the market. FPL will also sell  
5 excess power into the market when its cost of generation is lower than the  
6 market. FPL's customers benefit from both purchases and sales as savings on  
7 purchases and gains on sales are credited to customers through the Fuel Cost  
8 Recovery Clause. Power purchases and sales are executed under specific tariffs  
9 that allow FPL to transact with a given entity. Although FPL primarily  
10 transacts on a short-term basis (hourly and daily transactions), FPL  
11 continuously searches for all opportunities to lower fuel costs through  
12 purchasing and selling wholesale power, regardless of the duration of the  
13 transaction.

14 **Q. Please describe the method used to forecast wholesale (off-system) power**  
15 **purchases and sales.**

16 A. The quantity of wholesale (off-system) power purchases and sales are projected  
17 based upon estimated generation costs, generation availability, fuel availability,  
18 expected market conditions and historical data.

19 **Q. What are the forecasted amounts and costs of wholesale (off-system) power**  
20 **sales?**

21 A. FPL has projected 2,392,590 MWh of wholesale (off-system) power sales for  
22 the period of January through December 2020. The projected fuel cost related  
23 to these sales is \$44,131,343. The projected transaction revenue from these

1 sales is \$72,345,309. After taking into account the transmission costs and  
2 capacity revenues for those sales, the projected gain is \$22,134,432.

3 **Q. In what document are the fuel costs for wholesale (off-system) power sales**  
4 **transactions reported?**

5 A. Schedule E6 of Appendix II, provides the total MWh of energy, total dollars for  
6 fuel adjustment, total cost and total gain for wholesale (off-system) power sales.

7 **Q. What are the forecasted amounts and costs of wholesale (off-system) power**  
8 **purchases for the January to December 2020 period?**

9 A. The costs of these economy purchases are shown on Schedule E9 of Appendix  
10 II. For the period, FPL projects it will purchase a total of 521,230 MWh at a  
11 cost of \$12,462,935. If FPL generated this energy, FPL estimates that it would  
12 cost \$15,199,556. Therefore, these purchases are projected to result in savings  
13 of \$2,736,621.

14 **Q. Does FPL have additional agreements for the purchase of electric power**  
15 **and energy that are included in your projections?**

16 A. Yes. FPL purchases energy under two contracts with the Solid Waste Authority  
17 of Palm Beach County (“SWA”). In addition, FPL has a firm capacity and  
18 energy agreement with Orlando Utilities Commission (“OUC”) through  
19 December 31, 2020. FPL also has contracts to purchase and sell nuclear energy  
20 under the St. Lucie Plant Nuclear Reliability Exchange Agreements with  
21 Orlando Utilities Commission (“OUC”) and Florida Municipal Power Agency.  
22 Lastly, FPL purchases energy and capacity from Qualifying Facilities under  
23 existing tariffs and contracts.

1 **Q. Please provide the projected energy costs to be recovered through the Fuel**  
2 **Cost Recovery Clause for the power purchases referred to above during**  
3 **the January through December 2020 period.**

4 A. Energy purchases under the SWA agreements are projected to be 868,949 MWh  
5 for the period at an energy cost of \$24,654,165. Energy purchases from OUC  
6 are projected to be 18,606 MWh for the period at an energy cost of \$633,122.  
7 FPL's cost for energy purchases under the St. Lucie Plant Reliability Exchange  
8 Agreements is a function of the operation of St. Lucie Unit 2 and the fuel costs  
9 to the owners. For the period, FPL projects purchases of 599,616 MWh at a  
10 cost of \$2,793,132. These projections are shown on Schedule E7 of Appendix  
11 II.

12  
13 In addition, as shown on Schedule E8 of Appendix II, FPL projects that  
14 purchases from Qualifying Facilities for the period will provide 276,013 MWh  
15 at a cost of \$4,967,246.

16 **Q. How does FPL develop the projected energy costs related to purchases**  
17 **from Qualifying Facilities?**

18 A. For those contracts that entitle FPL to purchase "as-available" energy, FPL used  
19 its fuel price forecasts as inputs to the GenTrader model to project FPL's  
20 avoided energy cost that is used to set the price of these energy purchases each  
21 month. For those contracts that enable FPL to purchase firm capacity and  
22 energy, the applicable Unit Energy Cost mechanisms prescribed in the contracts  
23 are used to project monthly energy costs.

1 **Q. What are the forecasted amounts and cost of energy being sold under the**  
2 **St. Lucie Plant Reliability Exchange Agreement?**

3 A. FPL projects to sell 631,766 MWh of energy at a cost of \$3,095,400. These  
4 projections are shown on Schedule E6 of Appendix II.

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6 **HEDGING/ RISK MANAGEMENT PLAN**

7 **Q. Has FPL filed a comprehensive risk management plan for 2020, consistent**  
8 **with the Hedging Order Clarification Guidelines as required by Order No.**  
9 **PSC-08-0667-PAA-EI issued on October 8, 2008?**

10 A. No. Pursuant to Paragraph 16 of the 2016 Base Rate Settlement Agreement,  
11 FPL's fuel hedging program is under a moratorium during the Minimum Term  
12 of the Agreement.

13 **Q. Has FPL filed a Hedging Activity Final True-Up Report for 2018,**  
14 **consistent with the Hedging Order Clarification Guidelines, as required by**  
15 **Order No. PSC-08-0667-PAA-EI issued on October 8, 2008?**

16 A. No. Pursuant to Paragraph 16 of the 2016 Base Rate Settlement Agreement,  
17 FPL's fuel hedging program is under a moratorium. Therefore, FPL had no  
18 hedging activity to report for 2018.

19

20 **THE INCENTIVE MECHANISM**

21 **Q. What were the results of FPL's asset optimization activities under the**  
22 **Incentive Mechanism in 2018?**

23 A. FPL's asset optimization activities in 2018 delivered total benefits of

1           \$62,404,332. The total gains exceeded the sharing threshold of \$40 million  
2           and, therefore, the gains above \$40 million will be shared between customers  
3           and FPL on a 40%/60% basis, respectively. In total, customers will receive  
4           \$48,596,497 (net of FPL's share of the gain above the \$40 million threshold,  
5           and after incremental personnel, software, and hardware expenses are removed),  
6           and FPL will receive \$13,442,599. FPL included its share of the gain in the  
7           2020 FCR Clause factors.

8   **Q. Did the Incentive Mechanism allow FPL to deliver greater value to**  
9   **customers in 2018?**

10  A. Yes. I have compared how customers would have fared under the prior  
11       wholesale-sales sharing mechanism with the results FPL has achieved under the  
12       Incentive Mechanism. For the purpose of this comparison, I have included the  
13       same savings of approximately \$42 million from optimization activities for  
14       power sales, power purchases and releases of electric transmission capacity  
15       under both mechanisms, as FPL was engaging in those activities prior to the  
16       Commission's approval of the Incentive Mechanism. For those savings, the  
17       previous sharing mechanism would have yielded net benefits to FPL's  
18       customers of \$39.6 million, while FPL would have received \$2.4 million in  
19       benefits because the three-year rolling average threshold for wholesale sales  
20       would have been exceeded.

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22       In contrast, under the Incentive Mechanism, FPL also is incented to pursue  
23       beneficial natural gas transportation, storage and trading activities. These

1 activities generated nearly \$22 million of additional savings in 2018. When one  
2 takes into account these additional savings, less FPL's recovery of incremental  
3 optimization costs, the result is that FPL's customers received \$48.6 million of  
4 savings under the Incentive Mechanism. This is \$9 million more than  
5 customers would have received if the prior sharing mechanism were still in  
6 effect, clear proof that the Incentive Mechanism is working to deliver added  
7 value for customers as FPL and the Commission envisioned when it was  
8 approved.

9 **Q. Has FPL included in its 2020 FCR factors, projections of the savings that it**  
10 **will achieve under the Incentive Mechanism?**

11 A. Yes. FPL has included projections for savings on wholesale power purchases  
12 (Schedule E9), projections for gains on wholesale power sales (Schedule E6),  
13 and projections for other types of asset optimization measures (Schedule E3) for  
14 2020.

15 **Q. Has FPL included in its 2020 FCR factors, projections of the Incremental**  
16 **Optimization Costs that it will incur under the Incentive Mechanism?**

17 A. Yes. FPL has included in its 2020 FCR factors, Incremental Optimization Costs  
18 from two categories: (i) incremental personnel, software and hardware costs  
19 associated with managing the various asset optimization activities, and  
20 (ii) variable power plant O&M ("VOM") costs associated with wholesale  
21 economy sales and purchases.

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1 **Q. Please describe the costs that are included in FPL's projections for**  
2 **incremental personnel, software and hardware expenses.**

3 A. FPL projects to incur incremental expenses of \$439,242 in 2020 for the salaries  
4 and expenses related to employees who were added in 2013 to support the  
5 Incentive Mechanism. FPL is also projecting to incur \$24,454 in expenses for  
6 the licensing and maintenance of OATI WebTrader software.

7 **Q. Please describe the costs that are included in FPL's projections for VOM**  
8 **expenses.**

9 A. Consistent with Paragraph 15 of the 2016 Base Rate Settlement Agreement,  
10 FPL has included for recovery in its 2020 FCR factors VOM expenses that  
11 reflect the netting of economy sales and purchases. As shown on Schedules E6  
12 and E9 of Appendix II, FPL projects to sell 2,392,590 MWh and purchase  
13 521,230 MWh of economy power. Therefore, applying FPL's VOM rate of  
14 \$0.65/MWh, FPL projects to incur VOM expenses of \$1,555,184 associated  
15 with its economy sales and to avoid (\$338,800) with its economy purchases.  
16 FPL has included for recovery the net of these two figures, \$1,216,384  
17 (Schedule E2, Sum of Line Nos. 14 and 15), in its 2020 FCR factors.



1           **CALCULATION OF FUEL SAVINGS ASSOCIATED WITH THE**  
2           **COMMERCIAL OPERATION OF SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC (“PV”)**  
3           **GENERATION**

4   **Q.   Please describe the PV generation that FPL will put into commercial**  
5           **operation during 2020 pursuant to the 2016 Base Rate Settlement**  
6           **Agreement.**

7   A.   The PV generation to be constructed pursuant to the 2016 Base Rate Settlement  
8           will consist of four solar energy centers (“the 2020 Project”) located at four  
9           sites. The four solar energy centers are sized to generate a total of 298 MW  
10           (nameplate capacity) and are scheduled to go into service by May 1, 2020.  
11           These four sites consist of Echo River, Hibiscus, Okeechobee, and Southfork.

12 **Q.   Will the operation of PV generation during 2020 result in fuel savings for**  
13           **FPL’s customers?**

14 A.   Yes. For the May through December 2020 period, the operation of the 2020  
15           Project is projected to result in fuel savings for FPL’s customers of  
16           \$11,149,004.

17 **Q.   How did FPL calculate the projected fuel savings associated with the**  
18           **operation of the 2020 Project?**

19 A.   FPL utilized its GenTrader model to quantify the fuel savings associated with  
20           the operation of the 2020 Project. This model is used to calculate the fuel costs  
21           that are included in FPL’s projection filing. The same forecasted fuel prices and  
22           other assumptions that are reflected in the projection filing were used for  
23           analyzing the solar generation fuel savings. In order to calculate the fuel

1 savings, FPL ran two separate production cost simulations, one without the  
2 2020 Project and one with the 2020 Project. A comparison of the total system  
3 fuel costs from GenTrader for the two simulations showed that the fuel costs  
4 were \$11,149,004 lower in the case that included the 2020 Project than in the  
5 case without the 2020 Project.

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7 **CALCULATION OF FUEL SAVINGS ASSOCIATED WITH THE**  
8 **COMMERCIAL OPERATION OF PV GENERATION FOR THE FPL**  
9 **SOLARTOGETHER PROGRAM**

10 **Q. Please describe the PV generation that FPL will put into commercial**  
11 **operation during 2020 for the FPL SolarTogether Program.**

12 A. The PV generation for the SolarTogether Program will consist of six solar  
13 energy centers located at six sites. The six solar energy centers are sized to  
14 generate a total of 447 MW (nameplate capacity) and are scheduled to go into  
15 service by February 1, 2020. These six sites consist of ST Project 1 Sites 1, 2,  
16 and 3, and ST Project 2 Site 1, 2, and 3.

17 **Q. Will the operation of PV generation during 2020 for the SolarTogether**  
18 **Program reduce fuel costs for FPL's customers?**

19 A. Yes. For the February through December 2020 period, the operation of the  
20 2020 Project is projected to reduce fuel costs by \$18,694,958.

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1 **Q. How did FPL calculate the projected fuel savings associated with the**  
2 **operation of the FPL SolarTogether Program sites scheduled to enter**  
3 **service in 2020?**

4 A. FPL utilized its GenTrader model to quantify the fuel savings associated with  
5 the operation of the SolarTogether Program sites. This model is used to  
6 calculate the fuel costs that are included in FPL's projection filing. The same  
7 forecasted fuel prices and other assumptions that are reflected in the projection  
8 filing were used for analyzing the solar generation fuel savings. In order to  
9 calculate the fuel savings, FPL ran two separate production cost simulations,  
10 one without the SolarTogether Program sites and one with the SolarTogether  
11 Program sites. A comparison of the total system fuel costs from GenTrader for  
12 the two simulations showed that the fuel costs were \$18,694,958 lower in the  
13 case that included the SolarTogether Program sites than in the case without the  
14 SolarTogether Program sites.

15 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

16 A. Yes it does.

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1                   **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**  
2                   **FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY**  
3                   **TESTIMONY OF ROBERT COFFEY**  
4                   **DOCKET NO. 20190001-EI**  
5                   **SEPTEMBER 3, 2019**

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7   **Q.    Please state your name and address.**

8   A.    My name is Robert Coffey. My business address is 15430 Endeavor Drive,  
9           Jupiter, FL 33478.

10 **Q.    By whom are you employed and what is your position?**

11 A.    I am employed by Florida Power & Light Company (“FPL”) as Vice President of  
12           Corporate Support in the Nuclear Business Unit.

13 **Q.    Please describe your duties and responsibilities.**

14 A.    I am responsible for the Nuclear fleet functional areas of Engineering,  
15           Operations, Maintenance, Chemistry, Radiation Protection, Regulatory Affairs,  
16           Security, Training, Outages and Projects.

17 **Q.    Please describe your educational background and business experience in the**  
18 **nuclear industry.**

19 A.    I hold a Doctorate of Management in Organizational Leadership from the  
20           University of Phoenix, Masters of Business Administration degree from Regis  
21           University, and a Bachelor of Science degree in Nuclear Engineering Technology  
22           from Thomas Edison State College. I also earned a Senior Reactor Operator  
23           Management Certification at the Turkey Point Nuclear Power Plant.

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1 I have spent 37 years in the nuclear industry, beginning in the United States Navy  
2 Nuclear Submarine Force where I served more than 20 years and retired as a  
3 senior chief electrician. I joined FPL in 2003 and held numerous positions of  
4 increasing responsibility including Maintenance Director and Work Control  
5 Manager at Turkey Point and Plant General Manager at St. Lucie. I was also the  
6 Site Vice President of NextEra Energy's Point Beach Nuclear Plant and Vice  
7 President of the Southern Region for St. Lucie and Turkey Point before serving in  
8 my current role as Vice President of Corporate Support.

9 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

10 A. My testimony presents and explains FPL's projections of nuclear fuel costs for  
11 the thermal energy to be produced by our nuclear units measured in Million  
12 British Thermal Units or ("MMBtu"). Nuclear fuel costs were input values to the  
13 GenTrader model that is used to calculate the costs included in the proposed fuel  
14 cost recovery factors for the period January 2020 through December 2020. I am  
15 also supporting FPL's projected 2020 incremental plant security and Fukushima-  
16 related costs. Finally, I address 2019 outage events at FPL's nuclear units.

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### 18 **Nuclear Fuel Costs**

19 **Q. What is the basis for FPL's projections of nuclear fuel costs?**

20 A. FPL's nuclear fuel cost projections are developed using projected energy  
21 production at its nuclear units and current operating schedules, for the period  
22 January 2020 through December 2020.

23 **Q. Please provide FPL's projection for nuclear fuel unit costs and energy for**  
24 **the period January 2020 through December 2020.**

1 A. FPL projects the nuclear units will burn 298,741,994 MMBtu of energy at a cost  
2 of \$0.4873 per MMBtu for the period January 2020 through December 2020.  
3 Projections by nuclear unit and by month are listed in Appendix II, on Schedule  
4 E-4, starting on page 17, which is attached as an exhibit to FPL witness Deaton's  
5 testimony.

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7 **Nuclear Plant Incremental Security Costs**

8 **Q. What is FPL's projection of incremental security costs at its nuclear**  
9 **power plants for the period January 2020 through December 2020?**

10 A. FPL projects that it will incur \$38.0 million in incremental nuclear power plant  
11 security costs in 2020. The costs consist of \$8.0 million of capital expenditures  
12 and \$30.0 million of O&M expenses.

13 **Q. Please provide a brief description of the items included in incremental**  
14 **nuclear power plant security costs.**

15 A. The projection includes the additional costs incurred in maintaining a security  
16 force as a result of implementing the NRC's fitness-for-duty rule under 10 CFR  
17 Part 26, which strictly limits the number of hours that nuclear security personnel  
18 may work; additional personnel training; maintenance of the physical upgrades  
19 resulting from implementing the NRC's physical security rule under 10 CFR.  
20 Part 73; and impacts of implementing the NRC's cyber security rule under 10  
21 CFR Part 73. It also includes force-on-force modifications at the St. Lucie and  
22 Turkey Point nuclear sites to effectively mitigate new adversary tactics and  
23 capabilities employed by the NRC's Composite Adversary Force, as required by  
24 NRC inspection procedures.

1 **Fukushima-Related Costs**

2 **Q. What is FPL's projection of Fukushima-related costs at its nuclear power**  
3 **plants for the period January 2020 through December 2020?**

4 A. FPL's current projection of Fukushima-related costs for 2020 is approximately  
5 \$1.0 million of O&M expenses and \$10.0 million of capital.

6 **Q. Please provide a brief description of the items included in this projection of**  
7 **Fukushima-related costs.**

8 A. FPL expects to pursue the following activities in 2020:

- 9     ▪ FPL's share of costs incurred for equipment, storage, and transportation, to  
10         support the shared Regional Response Centers (a warehouse of off-site  
11         portable equipment shared by the industry);
- 12     ▪ Severe Accident Management Guideline upgrades; and
- 13     ▪ Replacement of the Turkey Point Unit 3 and 4 A, B and C Reactor Coolant  
14         Pump seals during the Spring and Fall 2020 outages.

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16 **2019 Unplanned Outage Events**

17 **Q. Has FPL experienced any unplanned outages at any of its nuclear plants in**  
18 **2019?**

19 A. Yes. In April 2019, St. Lucie Unit 1 automatically shut down in response to a  
20 generator ground relay fault, and in May 2019, Turkey Point Unit 3 shut down  
21 in response to a grid disturbance. FPL's response to each unplanned outage  
22 was appropriate and efficient, and the units were returned to service safely.

23 **Q. Please describe the circumstances related to the St. Lucie Unit 1 generator**  
24 **ground relay fault.**



1 A. During plant operations, St. Lucie Unit 1 automatically shut down due to a  
2 generator ground relay fault. FPL determined the ground relay fault was  
3 attributed to an insulation fault located in stator bar B17. The cause of the  
4 insulation fault could not be definitively confirmed. Based on the location of  
5 the insulation, however, FPL believes the mechanism that produced the fault  
6 was introduced in the stator during a generator rewind performed by Siemens  
7 Energy Incorporated (“Siemens”) in 2012 and degraded the insulation  
8 gradually over the course of seven years in service. FPL’s investigation ruled  
9 out many potential causes, but three possible causes hypothesized were neither  
10 refuted nor adequately supported: (1) a ferromagnetic particle introduced  
11 during installation of the stator bar, (2) impact damage during handling, or  
12 installation of the stator bar or (3) a contaminant or small object introduced in  
13 the stator bar insulation during its manufacture or construction.

14 **Q. Were periodic inspections performed on the Unit 1 generator following the**  
15 **generator rewind in 2012?**

16 A. Yes. Generator inspections were performed by Siemens during every refueling  
17 outage since the rewind was completed in 2012. In 2013, generator  
18 temperature instruments were replaced. Subsequent over-voltage testing was  
19 completed after the replacement with no issues. In 2016, a ground condition  
20 was detected during outage inspection activities. The ground was outside the  
21 generator in the neutral ground transformer bushing. Neither of these activities  
22 are related to the ground fault in 2019. The type and frequency of inspections  
23 performed on the generator since the rewind adhere to standard industry  
24 practice and manufacturing recommendations.

1 **Q. What corrective actions were initiated to address this event?**

2 A. After inspections and testing were conducted, FPL and Siemens determined a  
3 full rewind of the generator was the best course of action to take in order to  
4 achieve maximum reliability of the generator and the safest and most efficient  
5 return to service possible. After the completion of the rewind, High Potential  
6 Testing was conducted to ensure satisfactory results.

7 **Q. Did FPL and Siemens follow established industry standards during the**  
8 **original generator rewind in 2012?**

9 A. Yes. FPL and Siemens followed the established industry standards for  
10 insulation testing from the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers  
11 (IEEE Standard 95 “IEEE Recommended Practice for Insulation Testing of AC  
12 Electric Machinery (2300V and above) with High Direct Voltage”). They also  
13 followed the established industry standards for insulation for acceptance  
14 testing, which is used to ensure equipment is operating as designed, from the  
15 American National Standards Institute (ANSI C50.10 – 1990 “Rotating  
16 Electrical Machinery – Synchronous Machines”) during the original generator  
17 rewind. Additionally, contract requirements with Siemens for quality  
18 assurance were imposed in accordance with industry standard. These included  
19 expectations for inspection, testing, packaging, shipping, nonconformance  
20 process, customer communication and facilities access for mutually agreed  
21 upon witness points.

22 **Q. Did FPL perform an extent of condition review on St. Lucie Unit 2?**

23 A. Yes. FPL performed an extent of condition review of the Unit 2 generator  
24 maintenance history and determined a similar ground fault was not present.

1 **Q. How many days was St. Lucie Unit 1 out of service due to this event?**

2 A. FPL moved quickly to restore the unit to service safely and was able to keep the  
3 outage to approximately 57 days. Notably, the Siemens generator rewind was  
4 conducted safely and more quickly than any similar unscheduled work across the  
5 industry. Additionally, while the unit was offline, FPL was able to complete  
6 some work originally planned for the fall 2019 refueling outage, thereby reducing  
7 the fall 2019 planned outage duration by approximately two days.

8 **Q. Has FPL filed an insurance claim for the reimbursement of costs incurred as**  
9 **a result of this event?**

10 A. FPL has filed an insurance claim with Nuclear Electric Insurance Limited  
11 (“NEIL”) for costs related to the full generator rewind that was performed during  
12 this outage. This claim does not include replacement fuel costs, however,  
13 because NEIL only covers replacement fuel costs when an outage surpasses 12  
14 weeks.

15 **Q. Please describe the circumstances related to the grid disturbance that**  
16 **impacted Turkey Point Unit 3.**

17 A. A transmission line contractor that performed work on a 230 kV transmission  
18 line near Turkey Point inadvertently left personal protection grounds installed  
19 after completing the job. When the transmission line was switched back into  
20 service, a bolted three phase fault was introduced to the grid, which caused a  
21 momentary under-voltage condition on the Turkey Point units. This caused the  
22 main turbine control valve (“TCV”) closure circuit and all TCVs on Unit 3 to  
23 close. The plant equipment responded as designed.

24 **Q. What corrective actions have been initiated to address this event?**

1 A. FPL reset the signal to the equipment that caused the TCVs to close before  
2 restarting the unit. Additionally, FPL modified the time delay setpoint of the  
3 Main TCV closure circuit on Unit 3 to a greater value to minimize the response  
4 to a grid disturbance.

5 **Q. How many days was Turkey Point Unit 3 out of service due to this event?**

6 A. The Unit 3 outage due to the grid disturbance was approximately one day.

7 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

8 A. Yes, it does.

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1                   **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**  
2                   **FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY**  
3                   **TESTIMONY OF CHARLES R. ROTE**  
4                   **DOCKET NO. 20190001-EI**  
5                   **MARCH 15, 2019**  
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7   **Q.    Please state your name and business address.**  
8    A.    My name is Charles R. Rote, and my business address is 700 Universe  
9            Boulevard, Juno Beach, Florida 33408.  
10 **Q.    By whom are you employed and in what capacity?**  
11 A.    I am employed by Florida Power & Light Company (“FPL”), as Business  
12           Services Director in the Power Generation Division.  
13 **Q.    Please summarize your educational background and professional**  
14 **experience.**  
15 A.    I graduated from DePauw University with a Bachelor’s degree in Industrial  
16           Psychology in 1991. I subsequently earned a Master of Business  
17           Administration from Pace University in New York in 1994. I am a Certified  
18           Public Accountant in the state of New York. Prior to joining FPL in 2009, I  
19           held various auditing positions at Price Waterhouse LLP and Pfizer Inc. From  
20           1999 to 2009, I worked for Rinker Materials (acquired by Cemex in 2008) in  
21           various audit, accounting and development capacities. I have been in my  
22           current role at FPL since 2009 where I have responsibility for all budgeting,  
23           forecasting, regulatory and internal controls activities for FPL’s fossil

1 generating assets. Since 2013, I have also overseen the preparation and filing  
2 of the Generating Performance Incentive Factor (“GPIF”) documents  
3 including testimony, exhibits, audits and discovery.

4 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

5 A. The purpose of my testimony is to report FPL’s actual 2018 performance for  
6 Equivalent Availability Factor (“EAF”) and Average Net Operating Heat Rate  
7 (“ANOHR”) for the twelve generating units used to determine its GPIF and to  
8 calculate the resulting GPIF reward. I have compared the performance of  
9 each unit to the revised targets approved in the final Commission Order No.  
10 PSC-2018-0028-FOF-EI issued January 8, 2018 for the period January  
11 through December 2018, and performed the reward/penalty calculations  
12 prescribed by the GPIF Manual. My testimony presents the result of these  
13 calculations: \$17,151,736 of fuel savings to FPL’s customers as a results of  
14 the availability and efficiency of FPL’s GPIF generating units, and a GPIF  
15 reward of \$8,577,071.

16 **Q. Have you prepared, or caused to have prepared under your direction,  
17 supervision, or control any exhibits in this proceeding?**

18 A. Yes. Exhibit CRR-1 shows the reward/penalty calculations. Page 1 of  
19 Exhibit CRR-1 is an index to the contents of the exhibit.

20 **Q. Please explain in general terms how the total GPIF reward/penalty  
21 amount was calculated.**

22 A. The steps involved in making this calculation are provided in Exhibit CRR-1.  
23 Page 2 provides the GPIF Reward/Penalty Table (Actual), which shows an

1 overall GPIF performance point value of +3.758, \$17,151,736 in fuel savings  
2 and a GPIF reward of \$8,577,071. Page 3 provides the calculation of the  
3 maximum allowed incentive dollars as approved by Commission Order No.  
4 PSC-13-0665-FOF-EI issued December 18, 2013. The calculation of the  
5 system actual GPIF performance points is shown on page 4. This page lists  
6 each GPIF unit, the unit's EAF and ANOHR, the weighting factors, and the  
7 associated GPIF unit points.

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9 Page 5 is the actual EAF and adjustments summary. This page, in columns 1  
10 through 5, lists each of the twelve GPIF units, the actual outage factors and  
11 the actual EAF for each unit. Column 6 is the adjustment for planned outage  
12 variation. Column 7 is the adjusted actual EAF, which is calculated on page  
13 6. Column 8 is the target EAF. Column 9 contains the Generating  
14 Performance Incentive Points for availability as determined by interpolating  
15 from the tables shown on pages 8 through 19. These tables are based on the  
16 targets and target ranges previously approved by the Commission.

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18 Continuing with Exhibit CRR-1, page 7 shows the adjustments to ANOHR.  
19 For each GPIF unit it shows, in columns 2 through 4, the target heat rate  
20 formula, and the actual net output factor ("NOF") and ANOHR for all units.  
21 Since heat rate varies with NOF, it is necessary to determine both the target  
22 and actual heat rates at the same NOF. This adjustment provides a common  
23 basis for comparison purposes and is shown numerically for each GPIF unit in



1 columns 5 through 8. Column 9 contains the Generating Performance  
2 Incentive Points as determined by interpolating from the tables shown on  
3 pages 8 through 19. These tables are based on the targets and target ranges  
4 approved by the Commission.

5 **Q. Please explain the primary reason FPL will receive a reward under the**  
6 **GPIF for the January through December 2018 period.**

7 A. The primary reason that FPL will receive a reward for the period is that  
8 adjusted actual EAFs for nine out of the twelve GPIF units were better than  
9 their targets. In addition, four out of the twelve GPIF units operated with an  
10 adjusted actual ANOHR that was below the  $\pm 75$  Btu/kWh dead band.

11 **Q. Please summarize each nuclear unit's performance as it relates to the**  
12 **EAF.**

13 A. St. Lucie Unit 1 operated at an adjusted actual EAF of 91.3%, compared to its  
14 target of 85.0%. This results in +10.0 points, which corresponds to a GPIF  
15 reward of \$1,958,256.

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17 St. Lucie Unit 2 operated at an adjusted actual EAF of 88.9%, compared to its  
18 target of 85.1%. This results in +10.0 points, which corresponds to a GPIF  
19 reward of \$1,620,469.

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21 Turkey Point Unit 3 operated at an adjusted actual EAF of 88.5% compared to  
22 its target of 82.1%. This results in +10.0 points, which corresponds to a GPIF  
23 reward of \$1,558,845.

1 Turkey Point Unit 4 operated at an adjusted actual EAF of 100.0% compared  
2 to its target of 93.6%. This results in +10.0 points, which corresponds to a  
3 GPIF reward of \$1,798,492.

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5 In total, the nuclear units' EAF performance results in a GPIF reward of  
6 \$6,936,062.

7 **Q. Please summarize each nuclear unit's performance as it relates to**  
8 **ANOHR.**

9 A. The St. Lucie Unit 1 adjusted actual ANOHR is 10,450 Btu/kWh compared to  
10 its target of 10,441 Btu/kWh. This ANOHR is within the  $\pm 75$  Btu/kWh dead  
11 band around the projected target; therefore, there is no GPIF reward or  
12 penalty.

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14 The St. Lucie Unit 2 adjusted actual ANOHR is 10,265 Btu/kWh compared to  
15 its target of 10,303 Btu/kWh. This ANOHR is within the  $\pm 75$  Btu/kWh dead  
16 band around the projected target; therefore, there is no GPIF reward or  
17 penalty.

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19 The Turkey Point Unit 3 adjusted actual ANOHR is 10,936 Btu/kWh  
20 compared to its target of 11,044 Btu/kWh. This ANOHR is better than the  
21  $\pm 75$  Btu/kWh dead band around the projected target. This results in +2.84  
22 points, which corresponds to a GPIF reward of \$101,793.

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1 Turkey Point Unit 4 adjusted actual ANOHR is 10,935 Btu/kWh compared to  
2 its target of 10,970 Btu/kWh. This ANOHR is within the  $\pm 75$  Btu/kWh dead  
3 band around the projected target; therefore, there is no GPIF reward or  
4 penalty.

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6 In total, the nuclear units' heat rate performance results in a GPIF reward of  
7 \$101,793.

8 **Q. What is the total GPIF reward for FPL's nuclear units?**

9 A. \$7,037,855.

10 **Q. Please summarize the performance of FPL's fossil units.**

11 A. Regarding EAF performance, five of the eight fossil generating units  
12 performed better than their availability targets as shown on Exhibit CRR-1,  
13 page 5, resulting in a combined reward of \$2,492,325. The other three  
14 performed worse than their availability targets as shown on Exhibit CRR-1,  
15 page 5, resulting in a combined penalty of \$1,018,385. This results in a net  
16 GPIF reward of \$1,473,940.

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18 Regarding ANOHR, four of the eight fossil units operated with ANOHRs that  
19 were within the  $\pm 75$  Btu/kWh dead band so there were no incentive rewards  
20 or penalties. Another three operated below the dead band so they received a  
21 combined reward of \$1,585,321 and one unit operated above the dead band so  
22 it received a penalty of \$1,520,045. Thus, the total fossil units' heat rate  
23 performance results in a net GPIF reward of \$65,276.

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1 **Q. What is the total GPIF reward/penalty for FPL's fossil units?**

2 A. The net GPIF fossil availability performance reward of \$1,473,940 plus the  
3 net GPIF heat rate fossil performance reward of \$65,276 results in a total  
4 GPIF reward for FPL's fossil units of \$1,539,216.

5 **Q. To recap, what is the total GPIF result for the period January through**  
6 **December 2018?**

7 A. The total GPIF result for the period January through December 2018 is  
8 \$17,151,736 of fuel savings to FPL's customers as a result of the availability  
9 and efficiency of FPL's GPIF generating units, and a GPIF reward of  
10 \$8,577,071.

11 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

12 A. Yes.

1                   **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

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3                   **TESTIMONY OF CHARLES R. ROTE**

4                   **DOCKET NO. 20190001-EI**

5                   **SEPTEMBER 3, 2019**

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7   **Q.     Please state your name and business address.**

8   A.     My name is Charles R. Rote, and my business address is 700 Universe Boulevard,  
9            Juno Beach, Florida 33408.

10 **Q.    By whom are you currently employed and in what capacity?**

11 A.     I am employed by Florida Power & Light Company (“FPL”) as the Business  
12           Services Director in the Power Generation Division of FPL, where I am  
13           responsible for budgeting, forecasting, regulatory reporting and financial internal  
14           controls for FPL’s fossil generating assets.

15 **Q.    What is the purpose of your testimony?**

16 A.     The purpose of my testimony is to present FPL’s generating unit equivalent  
17           availability factor (“EAF”) targets and average net operating heat rate  
18           (“ANOHR”) targets used in determining the Generating Performance Incentive  
19           Factor (“GPIF”) for the period January through December 2020.

20 **Q.    Have you prepared, or caused to have prepared under your direction,  
21           supervision, or control, any exhibits in this proceeding?**

22 A.     Yes, I am sponsoring Exhibit CRR-2. This Exhibit supports the development of  
23           the 2020 GPIF EAF and ANOHR targets. The first page of this exhibit is an

1 index to its contents. All other pages are numbered according to the GPIF  
2 Manual as approved by the Commission.

3 **Q. Please summarize the 2020 system targets for EAF and ANOHR for the units**  
4 **to be considered in establishing the GPIF for FPL.**

5 A. For the period of January through December 2020, FPL projects a weighted  
6 system equivalent planned outage factor (“EPOF”) of 6.5% and a weighted  
7 system equivalent unplanned outage factor (“EUOF”) of 8.4%, which yield a  
8 weighted system EAF target of 85.1%. The targets for this period reflect planned  
9 refuelings for St. Lucie Unit 2 and Turkey Point Units 3 and 4. FPL also projects  
10 a weighted system ANOHR target of 7,164 Btu/kWh for the period January  
11 through December 2020. These targets represent fair and reasonable values.  
12 Therefore, FPL requests that the targets for these performance indicators be  
13 approved by the Commission.

14 **Q. Have you established individual target levels of performance for the units to**  
15 **be considered in establishing the GPIF for FPL?**

16 A. Yes, I have. Exhibit CRR-2, pages 6 and 7, contains the information  
17 summarizing the individual targets and ranges for EAF and ANOHR for each of  
18 the twelve generating units that FPL proposes to be considered as GPIF units for  
19 the period January through December 2020. All of these targets have been  
20 derived utilizing the accepted methodologies adopted in the GPIF Manual.

21 **Q. Please summarize FPL’s methodology for determining EAF targets.**

22 A. The GPIF Manual requires that the EAF target for each unit be determined as the  
23 difference between 100% and the sum of the EPOF and EUOF. The EPOF for

1 each unit is determined by the duration and magnitude of the planned outage, if  
2 any, scheduled for the projected period. The EUOF is determined by the sum of  
3 the historical average equivalent forced outage factor and the historical equivalent  
4 maintenance outage factor. The EUOF is then adjusted to reflect recent or  
5 projected unit overhauls following the projection period.

6 **Q. Please summarize FPL's methodology for determining ANOHR targets.**

7 A. To develop the ANOHR targets, a set of curves that reflect historical ANOHR and  
8 unit net output factors are developed for each GPIF unit. The historical data is  
9 analyzed for any unusual operating conditions and changes in equipment that  
10 affect the predicted heat rate. A regression equation is calculated and a statistical  
11 analysis of the historical ANOHR variance with respect to the best fit curve is  
12 also performed to identify unusual observations. The resulting equation is used to  
13 project ANOHR for the unit using the net output factor from the production  
14 costing simulation program, GenTrader. This projected ANOHR value is then  
15 used in the GPIF tables and in the calculations to determine the possible fuel  
16 savings or losses due to improvements or degradations in heat rate performance.  
17 This process is consistent with the GPIF Manual.

18 **Q. How did you select the units to be considered when establishing the GPIF for**  
19 **FPL?**

20 A. In accordance with the GPIF Manual, the GPIF units selected are responsible for  
21 no less than 80% of the estimated system net generation. The estimated net  
22 generation for each unit is taken from the GenTrader model, which forms the  
23 basis for the projected levelized fuel cost recovery factor for the period. In this

1 case, the twelve units which FPL proposes to use for the period January through  
2 December 2020 represent the top 82.6% of the total forecasted system net  
3 generation for this period excluding the Okeechobee Clean Energy Center. This  
4 unit came into service in April 2019 and was excluded from the GPIF calculation  
5 because there is insufficient historical data to include it. Consistent with the GPIF  
6 Manual, this unit will be considered in the GPIF calculations once FPL has  
7 enough operating history to use in projecting future performance.

8 **Q. Do FPL's 2020 EAF and ANOHR performance targets as shown on Exhibit**  
9 **CRR-2 represent reasonable levels of generation availability and efficiency?**

10 A. Yes, they do.

11 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

12 A. Yes, it does.



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1                   **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**  
2                   **FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY**  
3                   **DIRECT TESTIMONY OF LIZ FUENTES**  
4                   **DOCKET NO. 20190001-EI**  
5                   **SEPTEMBER 3, 2019**  
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7   **Q.    Please state your name and business address.**  
8    A.    My name is Liz Fuentes, and my business address is Florida Power & Light  
9            Company, 4200 West Flagler Street, Miami, Florida, 33131.  
10 **Q.    By whom are you employed and what is your position?**  
11 A.    I am employed by Florida Power & Light Company (“FPL” or the  
12           “Company”) as Senior Director, Regulatory Accounting.  
13 **Q.    Please describe your duties and responsibilities in that position.**  
14 A.    I am responsible for planning, guidance, and management of most regulatory  
15           accounting activities for FPL and its subsidiaries. In this role, I ensure that the  
16           Company’s financial books and records comply with multi-jurisdictional  
17           regulatory accounting requirements and regulations.  
18 **Q.    Please describe your educational background and professional**  
19 **experience.**  
20 A.    I graduated from the University of Florida in 1999 with a Bachelor of Science  
21           Degree in Accounting. That same year, I was employed by FPL. During my  
22           tenure at the Company, I have held various accounting and regulatory  
23           positions of increasing responsibility with the majority of my career focused

1 in regulatory accounting and the calculation of revenue requirements.  
2 Specifically, I have provided accounting support in multiple FPL retail base  
3 rate filings and other regulatory dockets filed at the Florida Public Service  
4 Commission (“FPSC”) as well as the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission,  
5 and managed the accounting for FPL’s cost recovery clauses. Also, I  
6 managed the preparation, review and filing of FPL’s monthly Earnings  
7 Surveillance Reports (“ESR”) at the FPSC. I am a Certified Public  
8 Accountant (“CPA”) licensed in the Commonwealth of Virginia and am a  
9 member of the American Institute of CPAs. I have previously filed testimony  
10 before the Commission, most recently for the Solar Base Rate Adjustments  
11 (“SoBRAs”) related to the solar photovoltaic projects placed in service in  
12 2018, Docket No. 20170001-EI.

13 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

14 A. The purpose of my direct testimony is to present the computation of the  
15 incremental jurisdictional annualized base revenue requirement associated  
16 with the SoBRA related to the solar photovoltaic projects expected to be  
17 placed in service in 2020 (the “2020 Project”), which is based on the first 12-  
18 months of operations of the Project. FPL is authorized to seek recovery of a  
19 SoBRA pursuant to the Stipulation and Settlement Agreement reached in  
20 FPL’s most recent base rate case and approved by the Commission in Order  
21 No. PSC-16-0560-AS-EI, Docket Nos. 160021-EI, 160061-EI, 160062-EI,  
22 and 160088-EI (“2016 Settlement Agreement”). In addition, I will explain the  
23 appropriate regulatory treatment for investment tax credits (“ITC”) associated

1 with the 2020 Project and the depreciation-related accumulated deferred  
2 income taxes (“ADIT”) proration adjustment which is required by Internal  
3 Revenue Code (“IRC”) Treasury Regulation §1.167(1)-1(h)(6). I will also  
4 provide the final jurisdictional revenue requirements for the SoBRA approved  
5 by the Commission in Order No. PSC-2018-0028-FOF-EI, Docket No.  
6 20180001-EI, and placed into service on January 1, 2018 (the “2017 Project”).

7 **Q. Please summarize your testimony.**

8 A. The incremental jurisdictional revenue requirement for the first 12-months of  
9 operations related to the 2020 Project is \$50.5 million. This calculation is  
10 largely based on the estimated capital expenditures presented by FPL witness  
11 William F. Brannen in his direct testimony filed on March 1, 2019.

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13 The final annualized jurisdictional revenue requirement calculation for the  
14 2017 SoBRA is \$57.4 million. This results in a decrease in revenue  
15 requirements for the 2017 SoBRA of \$3.2 million when compared to the  
16 estimate originally approved.

17 **Q. Are you sponsoring any exhibits in this case?**

18 A. Yes. I am sponsoring the following exhibits:

- 19 • LF-1 – 2020 SoBRA Revenue Requirement Calculation; and  
20 • LF-2 – 2017 SoBRA Final Revenue Requirement Calculation

21 **Q. Please briefly describe the basis for the 2020 SoBRA revenue requirement**  
22 **calculation.**

23 A. Pursuant to the 2016 Settlement Agreement, FPL is authorized to recover the

1 incremental jurisdictional revenue requirement based on the first 12-months of  
2 operations of the 2020 Project. If approved, the 2020 SoBRA is expected to  
3 be implemented on May 1, 2020.

4 **Q. Did FPL calculate its 2020 SoBRA revenue requirement consistent with**  
5 **the revenue requirements for SoBRAs previously approved by this**  
6 **Commission?**

7 A. Yes. The 2020 SoBRA revenue requirement is calculated consistent with the  
8 methodology approved by the Commission in Order Nos. PSC-2018-0028-  
9 FOF-EI and PSC-2018-0610-FOF-EI.

10 **Q. What is the revenue requirement for the 2020 SoBRA?**

11 A. As reflected on page 1 of Exhibit LF-1, the amount of FPL's requested base  
12 revenue increase for the first 12-months of operations of the 2020 Project is  
13 \$50.5 million.

14 **Q. Please describe the inputs utilized to compute the revenue requirement**  
15 **for the 2020 SoBRA.**

16 A. The revenue requirement computations for each of FPL's SoBRAs, including  
17 the 2020 SoBRA, are based on the following inputs:

- 18 • Capital expenditures: These are based on the Company's estimated capital  
19 expenditures, including accumulated funds used during construction for  
20 each site. FPL witness Brannen describes the capital costs for the Project  
21 in his direct testimony filed on March 1, 2019.
- 22 • Depreciation rates: The depreciation rates utilized to compute  
23 depreciation expense and related accumulated depreciation for solar

1 generation and transmission plant are based on Exhibit D of FPL's 2016  
2 Settlement Agreement.

- 3 • Operating expenses: These are based on the Company's estimated  
4 operating expenses for the first 12-months of operations.
- 5 • Incremental cost of capital: As reflected in paragraph 10(f) of FPL's 2016  
6 Settlement Agreement, the Company is required to use a 10.55% return on  
7 common equity and an incremental capital structure that is adjusted to  
8 reflect the inclusion of ITCs on a normalized basis. Therefore, ADIT are  
9 not included in the incremental capital structure, and instead, as described  
10 below, ADIT are included as a component of rate base. For the 2020  
11 Project, FPL calculated the debt and equity ratios using Schedule 4, Page 1  
12 of 2, of FPL's May 2019 ESR and utilized the long term debt cost rate  
13 reflected on the same referenced page. FPL also incorporated an estimate  
14 for unamortized ITCs. This approach to incremental cost of capital is the  
15 same as what was approved by the Commission for FPL's previous  
16 SoBRAs. The incremental cost of capital calculation for the 2020 Project  
17 is reflected on Page 3 of Exhibit LF-1.
- 18 • Accumulated deferred income taxes: As described above, ADIT are  
19 included as a component of rate base, which is consistent with the  
20 treatment in FPL's previous SoBRAs. The ADIT for the 2020 Project  
21 primarily reflects the timing difference between book and tax depreciation  
22 over the life of the assets. In addition, FPL is required to comply with IRC  
23 Treasury Regulation §1.167(1)-1(h)(6) and utilize a proration formula to

1           compute the depreciation-related ADIT balance to be included for  
2           ratemaking purposes when a forecasted test period is utilized to set rates.  
3           The ADIT proration adjustment for the 2020 Project is reflected on Page 5  
4           of Exhibit LF-1.

5   **Q.   Please describe the ITCs associated with the revenue requirement**  
6   **calculation for the 2020 SoBRA.**

7   A.   In accordance with Section 48 of the IRC, the Company will record an ITC of  
8       approximately \$100.1 million. This represents 30% of the qualified capital  
9       spending associated with solar investment upon the in-service date of each  
10      site. FPL will amortize the ITCs as a reduction to tax expense over the life of  
11      each unit, which is estimated to be approximately 30 years.

12   **Q.   How will the unamortized ITCs be reflected in the incremental cost of**  
13   **capital calculation?**

14   A.   As described above and reflected on Page 3 of Exhibit LF-1, the unamortized  
15      balance of the ITCs will be reflected as a component of capital structure and  
16      have a blended debt and equity cost rate. This treatment is consistent with  
17      how ITCs are currently reflected in FPL's ESR for investments that have  
18      produced ITCs. Furthermore, it is also consistent with the FPL's previous  
19      SoBRA revenue requirement calculations approved by the Commission in  
20      Order Nos. PSC-2018-0028-FOF-EI and PSC-2018-0610-FOF-EI.

1 **Q. What is the amount of FPL's final jurisdictional annualized revenue**  
2 **requirement associated with the 2017 SoBRA?**

3 A. As reflected on page 1 of Exhibit LF-2, the final jurisdictional annualized  
4 revenue requirement associated with the 2017 SoBRA is \$57.4 million.

5 **Q. Please describe the inputs utilized to compute the final revenue**  
6 **requirement for the 2017 SoBRA.**

7 A. The final revenue requirement computation for the 2017 SoBRA is based on  
8 the same inputs used for the initial 2017 SoBRA Factor included in my  
9 testimony filed on August 24, 2017, Docket No. 20170001-EI, and approved  
10 by this Commission in Order No. PSC-2018-0028-FOF-EI, except for capital  
11 costs. As reflected on page 2 of Exhibit LF-2, the projected total per book  
12 capital costs of \$418.8 million used in the initial 2017 SoBRA Factor were  
13 replaced with the actual total per book costs of \$395.3 million, resulting in a  
14 decrease in revenue requirements of \$3.2 million from the initial 2017 SoBRA  
15 calculation. The refund calculation associated with this decrease in revenue  
16 requirements is discussed in FPL witness Edward J. Anderson's testimony.

17 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

18 A. Yes.



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1                   **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**  
2                   **FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY**  
3                   **TESTIMONY OF WILLIAM F. BRANNEN**  
4                   **DOCKET NO. 20190001-EI**  
5                   **MARCH 1, 2019**

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7   **Q.    Please state your name and business address.**

8    A.    My name is William F. Brannen. My business address is NextEra Energy  
9           Resources, LLC (“NEER”), 700 Universe Boulevard, Juno Beach, Florida,  
10          33408.

11   **Q.    By whom are you employed and what is your position?**

12   A.    I am employed by NEER as a Senior Director for Project Engineering and Due  
13          Diligence.

14   **Q.    Please describe your duties and responsibilities in that position.**

15   A.    I manage the development and implementation of engineering, technology  
16          selection, and execution strategies for universal solar and distributed generation  
17          projects for NextEra Energy, Inc., the parent of Florida Power & Light  
18          Company (“FPL”) and NEER. I am responsible for coordinating the activities  
19          of project team members to optimize the value of projects by leveraging  
20          technology advances, market dynamics, and supplier relationships during the  
21          early stage due diligence, permitting, engineering, and execution phases of  
22          these projects. My goal is to ensure that development projects meet or exceed  
23          reliability and performance requirements while maintaining reasonable costs.

1 **Q. Please describe your education and professional experience.**

2 A. I earned both a Bachelor and Master of Science in Civil Engineering from the  
3 University of New Hampshire. Additionally, I hold a Master of Business  
4 Administration from Nova Southeastern University. I have been a licensed  
5 professional engineer in the State of Florida since 1981. I have worked for FPL  
6 and NEER since 1979. During that time, I have held a variety of technical,  
7 operational, commercial, and management positions in areas related to power  
8 generation, engineering, and construction. I have experience in a wide range of  
9 power generation technologies including nuclear, combined cycle, wind and  
10 approximately 3,376 MW of photovoltaic (“PV”) and concentrated solar  
11 thermal facilities. Since 2009, I have been responsible for key aspects of the  
12 design and construction of all eighteen of FPL’s universal solar energy centers.  
13 The total capacity of these centers is approximately 1,228 MW, which is made  
14 up of one 75 MW solar thermal facility and approximately 1,153 MW of PV  
15 generation at seventeen solar energy centers. In addition to these FPL facilities,  
16 I have served the same function for 350 MW of solar thermal generation in  
17 California and Spain, as well as approximately 2,200 MW of universal solar PV  
18 generation throughout North America outside of Florida.

19 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

20 A. The purpose of my direct testimony is three-fold. First, I discuss FPL’s  
21 experience designing, building, and operating universal solar. Second, I  
22 describe the four universal solar energy centers, which are currently under  
23 construction and expected to begin commercial operation by April 30, 2020

1 (“2020 Project”). I provide a description of the centers, the technology,  
 2 engineering design parameters, construction, operating characteristics, and  
 3 overall costs and schedules. Third, I demonstrate that the cost of the  
 4 components, engineering, and construction estimated for the 2020 Project is  
 5 reasonable and falls well below \$1,750 per kilowatt alternating current  
 6 (“kW<sub>AC</sub>”), the cost cap approved by the Commission as part of FPL’s 2016 rate  
 7 case settlement.

8 **Q. Please summarize your testimony.**

9 A. My testimony demonstrates that the estimated cost to build the 2020 Project --  
 10 \$1,378/kW<sub>AC</sub> – is reasonable and falls well below the \$1,750 per kW<sub>AC</sub> cost cap.  
 11 Additionally, I testify that the universal solar energy centers will deliver high  
 12 levels of efficiency and reliability to serve FPL customers.

13 **Q. Are you sponsoring any exhibits in this case?**

14 A. Yes. I am sponsoring Exhibits WFB-1 through WFB-6. The title to each  
 15 exhibit is shown below, and they are all attached to my direct testimony.

16 Exhibit WFB-1 List of FPL Universal PV Solar Energy Centers in  
 17 Service

18 Exhibit WFB-2 Typical Solar Energy Center Block Diagram

19 Exhibit WFB-3 Renderings of 2020 Solar Energy Centers

20 Exhibit WFB-4 Specifications for 2020 Solar Energy Centers

21 Exhibit WFB-5 Property Delineations, Features and Land Use of 2020  
 22 Solar Energy Centers

23 Exhibit WFB-6 Construction Schedule for 2020 Solar Energy Centers

1 **Q. Does FPL have experience in designing and building universal PV solar**  
2 **facilities?**

3 A. Yes. FPL's extensive experience designing and building universal solar  
4 generation facilities places it among the leaders in the U.S. Since 2009, FPL  
5 has completed seventeen universal solar centers totaling approximately 1,153  
6 MW<sub>AC</sub>. The existing FPL universal solar energy centers range in size from 10  
7 MW<sub>AC</sub> to 74.5 MW<sub>AC</sub>. Exhibit WFB-1 provides a list of the FPL universal solar  
8 energy centers in service.

9 **Q. Please describe FPL's track record building universal solar PV.**

10 A. The seventeen PV universal solar energy centers constructed and placed into  
11 operation by FPL were completed an average of 29 days early, at a total cost of  
12 \$1.85 billion, about 4.6% or nearly \$90 million below the cumulative budget.  
13 In addition, each center was completed at or below budget.

14 **Q. Please describe FPL's history of operating universal solar generation.**

15 A. FPL has been operating universal solar generation since 2009. Over that time,  
16 FPL developed and continues to improve advanced monitoring technology and  
17 performance analysis tools. These tools optimize plant operations, drive  
18 process efficiencies, and facilitate the deployment of technical skills as demand  
19 for services grows. For example, the Company's Fleet Performance and  
20 Diagnostics Center ("FPDC") in Juno Beach, Florida, provides FPL with the  
21 capability to monitor every plant in its system. The FPDC uses advanced  
22 technology to identify potential problems earlier than traditional detection  
23 methods, which allows the operating teams the opportunity to prevent or

1 mitigate the effects of failures. FPL compares the performance of like  
2 components on similar generating units and determines how to make  
3 improvements, which often prevents problems before they would otherwise  
4 occur resulting in improved service reliability for FPL customers. Live video  
5 links can be established between the FPDC and plant control centers to  
6 immediately discuss challenges that may arise, thus enabling FPL to prevent,  
7 mitigate, or solve problems.

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9 Additionally, in 2017 FPL established a Renewable Operations Control Center  
10 (“ROCC”) to serve as the centralized remote operations center for all FPL PV  
11 solar and energy storage facilities. The ROCC provides a mechanism to  
12 efficiently manage daily work activities and ensure effective deployment of best  
13 operating practices at all of FPL’s renewable energy centers.

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15 The FPL team has leveraged these capabilities along with its broad range of  
16 experience to develop robust and industry-leading operating plans that deliver  
17 high levels of reliability and availability at low cost. Each of the solar energy  
18 centers that FPL has placed in operation since 2009 is meeting or exceeding  
19 performance expectations.

20 **Q. Please identify the centers that comprise the 2020 Project.**

21 A. FPL will place four solar energy centers in service by May 1, 2020. These are  
22 the Hibiscus Solar Energy Center in Palm Beach County, the Okeechobee Solar  
23 Energy Center in Okeechobee County, the Southfork Solar Energy Center in

1 Manatee County, and the Echo River Solar Energy Center in Suwannee County.  
2 Each center will have a nameplate capacity of 74.5 MW<sub>AC</sub>. Exhibits WFB-2,  
3 WFB-3, WFB-4 and WFB-5 more fully describe and depict the centers.

4 **Q. Has FPL finalized the site layouts and designs for the solar centers?**

5 A. Not at this time. FPL used base-line designs to establish the cost and  
6 performance projections for the centers. However, FPL is continuing to  
7 evaluate potential optimization opportunities. Both my testimony and the  
8 analysis presented in witness Enjamio's testimony are predicated on the base-  
9 line designs. Details of the final designs for the solar centers would differ from  
10 the base-line only if such changes result in a greater benefit to FPL's customers.

11 **Q. Please describe the solar PV generation technology that FPL plans to use.**

12 A. The 2020 Project will utilize a combination of approximately 550,000 silicon  
13 crystal and 566,000 thin-film solar PV panels that convert sunlight to direct  
14 current ("DC") electricity. These panels will have an average conversion  
15 efficiency of approximately 18.6%. This simply means that 18.6% of the solar  
16 energy reaching the surface of the panels is converted into DC electrical energy.  
17 The average efficiency of the panels that will be used on the 2020 Project is  
18 among the highest for universal solar applications in the U.S. market and is even  
19 higher than the efficiency for the panels used in FPL's 2017, 2018, and 2019  
20 solar projects.

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22 The panels will be mounted on fixed-tilt support structures at the Okeechobee  
23 and Hibiscus centers and on tracking support structures at the Echo River and

1 Southfork centers. The panels will be linked together in groups, with each  
2 group connected to an inverter, which transforms the DC electricity produced  
3 by the PV panels into alternating current (“AC”) electricity. The voltage of AC  
4 electricity coming out of each inverter is increased by a series of transformers  
5 to match the transmission interconnection voltage for each solar center. The  
6 inverters are paired with a single medium voltage transformer on a common  
7 equipment skid to form a power conversion unit (“PCU”). Twenty-four PCUs  
8 are required to produce a capacity of 74.5 MW<sub>AC</sub> at the Okeechobee center,  
9 with twenty-three PCUs at the Hibiscus center, and twenty-two for the  
10 remaining two centers. These configurations will produce the same output at  
11 all centers. Exhibit WFB-2 provides a typical block diagram depicting the basic  
12 layout of major equipment components.

13 **Q. Describe the DC/AC ratio for the 2020 Project.**

14 A. The DC/AC ratio is the ratio of the total installed DC capacity of PV modules  
15 to the AC capacity of each energy center. The DC/AC ratios for the energy  
16 centers that comprise the 2020 Project will range from 1.45 to 1.50 depending  
17 on design considerations and site features unique to each of the centers.

18 **Q. Why are the DC/AC ratios not the same for all the centers?**

19 A. Design optimization activities and the careful selection of major components  
20 determines a DC/AC ratio for each center that yields high levels of output,  
21 availability, reliability, and the highest overall benefit to customers. Site and  
22 equipment characteristics unique to each of the centers drives variability in the  
23 DC/AC ratios. Ongoing design optimization efforts may yield DC/AC ratios



1 different from those mentioned earlier, but only to the extent such changes  
2 result in a greater overall benefit to FPL's customers.

3 **Q. How will the solar energy centers be interconnected to FPL's transmission**  
4 **network?**

5 A. As noted earlier, each of the four centers has an individual point of  
6 interconnection to the FPL transmission system. The overall transmission  
7 interconnection schemes to be implemented at three of the four centers –  
8 Hibiscus, Southfork and Echo River – are similar, although the specific details  
9 vary from center to center based on which scheme will provide the lowest cost  
10 option for each site. New collection substations with step-up power  
11 transformers will be constructed for each of these three centers. The step-up  
12 power transformers increase the AC voltage from 34.5 kV to the voltages at the  
13 transmission point of interconnect. The interconnection voltages for these  
14 centers range from 115 kV to 230 kV. The new collection substations for these  
15 three centers will be connected to the bulk transmission system by looping the  
16 existing transmission line into a new transmission switchyard that shares a  
17 common site with the collection substation. The looped transmission lines are  
18 all less than one tenth of a mile.

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20 The fourth center, Okeechobee, will connect indirectly to the FPL transmission  
21 system through the Okeechobee Clean Energy Center ("OCEC"). A new step-  
22 down transformer will decrease the AC collection system voltage from 34.5 kV  
23 to 26 kV, which is the operating voltage of the low side of the step-up

1 transformer for one of the Okeechobee combustion turbine generators, which  
2 subsequently connects to the FPL 500 kV transmission system.

3 **Q. Does FPL's cost estimate include the costs associated with transmission**  
4 **interconnection?**

5 A. Yes. The estimated capital construction cost for each of the centers includes  
6 the projected cost for its unique interconnection configuration.

7 **Q. Are upgrades to the existing FPL bulk transmission system required to**  
8 **accommodate the proposed solar energy centers?**

9 A. No. As a result, there are no costs associated with upgrading FPL's  
10 transmission system.

11 **Q. Did FPL have to acquire property for the energy centers?**

12 A. Yes, FPL acquired property for three of the four energy centers. FPL was able  
13 to use land at the OCEC site for the Okeechobee Solar Energy Center.

14 **Q. Can you explain how FPL acquired and optimized the property for the**  
15 **centers?**

16 A. Yes. FPL identified candidate parcels available for purchase for the three  
17 centers through a review of real estate listings and public land records. FPL  
18 screened the list of candidate parcels by using criteria including each property's  
19 proximity to a transmission system interconnection point and whether the  
20 property provides sufficient acreage to accommodate the expected permitting  
21 requirements and the construction of the solar centers. Because the landowners  
22 sell the parcels as a whole, FPL evaluated the features of each property – such  
23 as the presence of wetlands and flood plains, environmental constraints and

1 cultural restrictions – and developed designs that optimize the land use for each  
2 parcel. Exhibit WFB-5 depicts the features and land use associated with each  
3 parcel.

4 **Q. What is the proposed construction schedule for the 2020 Project?**

5 A. As I noted earlier, it is expected that the Project will be placed into service by  
6 May 1, 2020. The period necessary to complete engineering, permitting,  
7 equipment procurement, contractor selection, construction, and commissioning  
8 will exceed twenty-two months. This construction period includes the time  
9 necessary to prepare each of the sites, construct roads and drainage systems,  
10 install the solar generating equipment, erect fencing, and build the  
11 interconnection facilities. The construction schedules support the proposed  
12 commercial in-service dates. Exhibit WFB-6 provides more details regarding  
13 the construction schedules.

14 **Q. As of March 1, 2019, what is the status of the certifications and permits  
15 required to begin construction for the centers?**

16 A. The Florida Department of Environmental Protection (“FDEP”) has issued the  
17 required permits for all four of the centers. Two of the four sites also required  
18 approval from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. All such permits have been  
19 issued. Finally, applications for the required county zoning, special exceptions,  
20 and site plan approvals have been submitted and all four sites have received all  
21 county level approvals.

1 **Q. What is FPL's estimated cost for the 2020 Project?**

2 A. FPL estimates the cost of the 2020 Project will be \$410.7 million or  
3 \$1,378/kW<sub>AC</sub>. The cost of each center ranges from \$1,339/kW<sub>AC</sub> to  
4 \$1,407/kW<sub>AC</sub>. FPL is in the final stages of securing fixed pricing for the supply  
5 of all the required equipment and materials, as well as for engineering and  
6 construction of the solar centers interconnection facilities.

7 **Q. Are the cost estimates for equipment, engineering, and construction for the**  
8 **proposed solar generation reasonable and prudent?**

9 A. Yes.

10 **Q. What is the basis for your conclusion?**

11 A. The costs for 99.5% of all the surveying, engineering, equipment, materials and  
12 construction services necessary to complete the centers were established  
13 through competitive bidding processes specific to the 2020 Project. The  
14 balance of the costs was the result of leveraging existing agreements for  
15 engineering services, which themselves were the result of a separate  
16 competitive bidding process. Therefore, 100% of the Project's costs were  
17 subject to competitive solicitations.

18 **Q. Please describe the competitive solicitations associated with the 2020**  
19 **Project.**

20 A. Throughout 2018, FPL solicited proposals for the supply of the PV panels,  
21 PCUs, and step-up power transformers as well as the engineering, procurement  
22 and construction services required to complete the proposed solar energy  
23 centers. The scope of services for the engineering, procurement and

1 construction solicitations included the supply of the balance of equipment and  
2 materials.

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4 FPL requested proposals for PV panels from nineteen large, industry-leading  
5 suppliers. All nineteen suppliers submitted proposals that satisfied the  
6 requirements of the request for proposals and all were evaluated. Due to the  
7 volume of panels required for the 2020 Project and availability of supply in the  
8 market, FPL contracted with more than one supplier. FPL was able to secure  
9 panels from the lowest cost bidders. In addition to offering the lowest cost and  
10 highest efficiency, these suppliers demonstrated that they have among the  
11 highest product quality programs in the industry and were able to provide strong  
12 financial performance security.

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14 FPL solicited proposals from nine PCU suppliers. Two of the suppliers elected  
15 not to submit proposals. The proposals submitted by the seven remaining  
16 suppliers met the requirements of the request for proposals and were evaluated.  
17 FPL selected the lowest cost bidder to supply the PCUs.

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19 FPL solicited proposals for step-up power transformers from seven industry-  
20 leading manufacturers, one of which declined to submit a proposal. FPL  
21 evaluated the six qualifying proposals and selected the lowest cost bidder to  
22 supply the transformers.

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1 Engineering, procurement, and construction (“EPC”) proposals for the Project’s  
2 solar fields were solicited from seven industry-recognized contractors. Four of  
3 the contractors elected not to submit proposals. The bids submitted by the three  
4 remaining contractors met the requirements of the request for proposals.  
5 Accordingly, these submitted proposals were evaluated. In mid-December  
6 2018, FPL executed a contract with the EPC contractor that submitted the  
7 lowest and most competitive proposal for the construction of the 2020 Project.

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9 Proposals for the construction of the substation and interconnection facilities  
10 were solicited from sixteen industry-recognized contractors. Ten contractors  
11 did not submit bids. The remaining six bids satisfied the requirements of the  
12 request for proposal and were evaluated. The two lowest cost bidders have been  
13 selected to construct the substation and interconnection facilities. Each will be  
14 constructing facilities at two sites.

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16 The bids from the PV panel, PCU, and step-up power transformer suppliers, as  
17 well as those received from the EPC and substation contractors, were high  
18 quality and extremely competitive.

19 **Q. Are there other benefits associated with the 2020 Project?**

20 A. Yes, there are a number of other benefits associated with the Project. For  
21 example, approximately 200 individuals will be employed at each of the centers  
22 at the height of construction, creating about 800 jobs. The contractors building  
23 the solar energy centers are required to exercise reasonable efforts to use local

1 labor and resources. The jobs associated with the construction of the centers  
2 will therefore provide a secondary benefit by boosting the economy of local  
3 businesses. Additionally, the local communities will benefit from increased  
4 property tax revenues following the completion of the solar centers.

5 **Q. How does the cost of the 2020 Project compare to the cost of FPL's 2017,**  
6 **2018 and 2019 Projects?**

7 A. The estimated cost for FPL's 2017, 2018, and 2019 Projects were \$1,405/kW<sub>AC</sub>,  
8 \$1,485/kW<sub>AC</sub>, and \$1,386/kW<sub>AC</sub> respectively. At \$1,378/kW<sub>AC</sub> the estimated  
9 cost of the 2020 Project is lower than the estimated costs for the 2017, 2018,  
10 and 2019 Projects.

11 **Q. Are FPL's projected costs and construction schedules reasonable and**  
12 **below the cost cap of \$1,750/kW<sub>AC</sub>?**

13 A. Yes. The estimated cost for the 2020 Project is well below the prescribed cost  
14 cap, and the competitive bidding process provides assurance that costs for  
15 equipment, engineering, and construction for the 2020 Project are reasonable as  
16 previously discussed. The construction schedule for the Project also is  
17 reasonable.

18 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

19 A. Yes.

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1                   **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**  
2                   **FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY**  
3                   **TESTIMONY OF JUAN E. ENJAMIO**  
4                   **DOCKET NO. 20190001-EI**  
5                   **MARCH 1, 2019**  
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7   **Q.    Please state your name and business address.**

8    A.    My name is Juan E. Enjamio. My business address is Florida Power & Light  
9            Company, 700 Universe Boulevard, Juno Beach, Florida 33408.

10 **Q.    By whom are you employed and what is your position?**

11 A.    I am employed by Florida Power & Light Company (“FPL” or the  
12            “Company”) as Manager of Analytics in the Finance Department.

13 **Q.    Please describe your educational background and professional**  
14 **experience.**

15 A.    I graduated from the University of Florida in 1979 with a Bachelor of Science  
16            degree in Electrical Engineering. I joined FPL in 1980 as a Distribution  
17            Engineer. Since my initial assignment at FPL, I have held positions as a  
18            Transmission System Planner, Power System Control Center Engineer, Bulk  
19            Power Markets Engineer, Supervisor of Transmission Planning, Supervisor of  
20            Supply and Demand Analysis, and Supervisor of Integrated Analysis –  
21            Resource Planning. In 2014, I became Manager of Analytics – Finance  
22            Department.

1 **Q. Please describe your duties and responsibilities in your current position.**

2 A. In my current position as Manager of Analytics, I am responsible for the  
3 management and coordination of economic analyses of alternatives to meet  
4 FPL's resource needs and maintain system reliability.

5 **Q. Are you sponsoring an exhibit in this case?**

6 A. Yes. I am sponsoring the following exhibits which are attached to my direct  
7 testimony:

- 8 • JE-1 Load Forecast
- 9 • JE-2 FPL Fuel Price Forecast
- 10 • JE-3 FPL Resource Plans
- 11 • JE-4 CPVRR – Costs and (Benefits)

12 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony in this proceeding?**

13 A. The purpose of my testimony is to present FPL's economic analysis which  
14 shows that 298 megawatts alternating current ("MW<sub>AC</sub>") of universal solar  
15 photovoltaic ("PV") generation, scheduled to be placed in service in early  
16 2020 (the "2020 Project"), is cost-effective. My testimony covers several  
17 areas. First, I briefly describe the 2020 Project. FPL's witness Brannen  
18 provides a more detailed description in his testimony. Second, I discuss the  
19 major assumptions and the methodology used to perform the economic  
20 analysis. Third, I present the results of the economic analysis demonstrating  
21 that the addition of 298 MW<sub>AC</sub> of solar PV generation is projected to be cost-  
22 effective. Lastly, I discuss non-economic benefits derived from the  
23 construction and operation of these facilities.

1 **Q. Please summarize your testimony.**

2 A. FPL is proposing the construction and operation of 298 MW<sub>AC</sub> of solar PV  
3 generation, consisting of one construction project made up of four universal  
4 solar energy centers, which are expected to be in-service by May 1, 2020.  
5 FPL performed an economic analysis and determined that the 2020 Project is  
6 projected to result in a reduction in the cumulative present value of revenue  
7 requirements (“CPVRR”) to FPL customers, for a total savings of  
8 approximately \$26 million. In addition, these centers are also projected to  
9 result in a significant reduction in air emissions, primarily carbon dioxide  
10 (“CO<sub>2</sub>”) resulting from a reduction in the projected use of fossil fuels, which  
11 will in turn lower FPL’s system reliance on generation fueled by natural gas.  
12 The 2020 Project is projected to be cost-effective, as required to qualify for a  
13 Solar Base Rate Adjustment (“SoBRA”) under FPL’s 2016 Rate Case  
14 Settlement approved by the Commission in Order No. PSC-16-0560-AS-EI.

15 **Q. Please describe the 2020 Project.**

16 A. The 2020 Project comprises four centers with a total nameplate capacity of 298  
17 MW<sub>AC</sub>, which will be constructed and is expected to be placed in service by  
18 May 1, 2020. On average, these centers will have a capacity factor of 28.7%  
19 and generate 190,000 MWh in a year. This is enough energy to serve the  
20 annual energy needs of about 14,500 homes. FPL witness Brannen describes  
21 each center in greater detail and demonstrates that the cost for the proposed  
22 solar generation is reasonable, and falls well below the \$1,750 per kilowatt  
23 alternating current threshold established in the 2016 Rate Case Settlement.

1 **Q. What are the major system assumptions used in this study?**

2 A. The major assumptions used in this study are the following:

3 • **Load Forecast** – The analysis uses FPL’s most recent long-term load  
4 forecast, approved as FPL’s official load forecast in December 2018.  
5 This load forecast, including system peaks and net energy for load,  
6 will be used in FPL’s 2019 Ten Year Site Plan (“TYSP”) and is shown  
7 in Exhibit JE-1;

8 • **Fuel Price Forecast** – The analysis uses FPL’s most recent long-term  
9 fuel forecast, based on FPL’s standard long-term fuel forecasting  
10 methodology, approved as FPL’s official fuel price forecast in  
11 December 2018. This fuel price forecast will be used in FPL’s 2019  
12 TYSP and is shown in Exhibit JE-2;

13 • **CO<sub>2</sub> Emission Price Forecast** - The CO<sub>2</sub> cost projections used in this  
14 filing are based on ICF’s proprietary CO<sub>2</sub> compliance costs forecast  
15 dated November 2018. ICF is a consulting firm with extensive  
16 experience in forecasting the cost of complying with the regulation of  
17 air emissions and is recognized as one of the industry leaders in this  
18 field. This forecast, which assumes that CO<sub>2</sub> compliance costs will  
19 start in the year 2026, will be used in preparing FPL’s 2019 TYSP.  
20 FPL has utilized ICF’s CO<sub>2</sub> emission price forecast in preparing its  
21 resource plans since 2007, including the economic analyses presented  
22 in the need determination dockets for the Okeechobee Clean Energy  
23 Center (Docket No. 150196-EI) and Dania Beach Clean Energy Center

1 (Docket No. 20170225-EI), previous SoBRA filings (Docket Nos.  
2 20170001-EI and 20180001-EI), and the Nuclear Cost Recovery  
3 proceedings (e.g., Docket Nos. 20150009-EI and 20160009-EI).

4 **Q. Please describe the resource plans that formed the basis for FPL’s cost-**  
5 **effectiveness analysis.**

6 A. For purposes of this filing, FPL developed two resource plans. In the first  
7 resource plan, called the “No 2020 Project Plan,” no new solar facilities are  
8 assumed beyond the 2019 SoBRA Project except the solar facilities that will  
9 comprise FPL’s voluntary shared solar program.<sup>1</sup> In this resource plan, future  
10 resource needs are met by batteries, combustion turbines, and combined cycle  
11 units.

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13 The second resource plan, called the “2020 Project Plan,” adds the 2020  
14 Project. As a result of adding the 2020 Project, a 100 MW battery in 2020 is  
15 no longer needed.

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17 These two resource plans are shown in Exhibit JE-3.

18 **Q. How did FPL determine the firm capacity that solar facilities will**  
19 **provide?**

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<sup>1</sup> FPL will separately file a petition detailing its proposed voluntary shared solar program, which will be known as *SolarTogether - An FPL Shared Solar Program* (“FPL SolarTogether”). This program will consist of 1,490 MW of solar generation. The first FPL SolarTogether project is expected to be placed in service in the first quarter of 2020, and the remaining FPL SolarTogether projects are expected to be placed in service in the fourth quarter of 2020 and the first quarter of 2021.

1 A. Firm capacity value is based on the expected output of a solar facility at the  
2 time of summer peak load, which typically occurs in August from 4 p.m. to 5  
3 p.m., and winter peak load, which typically occurs in January from 7 a.m. to 8  
4 a.m. FPL applies this same methodology to all of its solar PV facilities,  
5 existing or new.

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7 The 2020 centers are projected to have an average summer firm capacity value  
8 of 61% of their nameplate rating. Therefore, the four centers, with a total  
9 nameplate capacity of 298 MW<sub>AC</sub>, are assumed to have a total firm capacity of  
10 182 MW<sub>AC</sub> at the time of summer peak. These solar installations are assumed  
11 to have zero firm capacity value at the time of winter peak due to FPL's  
12 winter peak occurring in the early morning, when there is little or no solar  
13 generation output.

14 **Q. Please provide an overview of the analytical process that FPL used to**  
15 **determine the cost-effectiveness of the 2020 Project.**

16 A. FPL used the hourly production costing model UPLAN to forecast the system  
17 economics and compare resource plans that include or exclude the 2020  
18 Project. This model has been used by FPL in prior proceedings at the  
19 Commission including each of its previous petitions for SoBRA approval.  
20 Each UPLAN modeling run is used to determine generation system costs,  
21 consisting primarily of fuel costs, variable O&M costs, and emissions costs  
22 for a given resource plan. The output of each of the UPLAN model runs is  
23 then imported into FPL's Fixed Cost Spreadsheet ("FCSS") Model, which

1 adds fixed costs such as capital costs, capital replacements costs, and fixed  
2 O&M costs. The FCSS Model is used to determine the CPVRR for each  
3 resource plan.

4 **Q. Please provide the result of the economic analysis.**

5 A. To determine the CPVRR impact of the proposed solar generation, FPL  
6 subtracted the CPVRR of the “No 2020 Project Plan” from the CPVRR of the  
7 “2020 Project Plan”. As shown in Exhibit JE-4, the CPVRR benefit to FPL  
8 customers from the 2020 Project is projected to be approximately \$26 million.

9 **Q. Will the 2020 Project reduce FPL’s use of fossil fuel?**

10 A. Yes. The 2020 Project is expected to reduce the annual average use of natural  
11 gas by 4,734 million cubic feet, and the use of coal by 459 tons. By adding  
12 the 2020 Project to its generation fleet, FPL reduces its reliance on these fossil  
13 fuels.

14 **Q. What effect will these solar energy centers have with respect to  
15 greenhouse gases and other air emissions?**

16 A. Reducing the use of fossil fuel is projected to result in an average annual  
17 reduction of 281,000 tons of global warming gases, specifically CO<sub>2</sub>. This  
18 reduction in CO<sub>2</sub> is equivalent to removing approximately 54,000 cars from  
19 the road. Sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxide emissions are projected to be  
20 reduced by an annual average of 1 ton and 29 tons, respectively.

21 **Q. What is your conclusion regarding the 2020 Project?**

22 A. As demonstrated by the economic analysis described in my testimony, the  
23 addition of the 2020 Project is projected to result in CPVRR savings of

1           approximately \$26 million. Therefore, the 2020 Project meets the SoBRA  
2           cost-effectiveness requirement established in the 2016 FPL Rate Case  
3           Settlement. Additionally, the 2020 Project is projected to reduce the use of  
4           fossil fuel, reduce air emissions, and reduce FPL's reliance on natural gas.

5   **Q.   Does this conclude your testimony?**

6   A.   Yes.



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1                   **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**  
2                   **FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY**  
3                   **DIRECT TESTIMONY OF EDWARD J. ANDERSON**  
4                   **DOCKET NO. 20190001-EI**  
5                   **SEPTEMBER 3, 2019**

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7   **Q.    Please state your name and business address.**

8    A.    My name is Edward J. Anderson, and my business address is Florida Power &  
9           Light Company, 700 Universe Boulevard, Juno Beach, Florida 33408.

10 **Q.    By whom are you employed, and what is your position?**

11 A.    I am employed by Florida Power & Light Company (“FPL” or the  
12           “Company”) as Manager-Regulatory Rate Development.

13 **Q.    Please describe your duties and responsibilities in that position.**

14 A.    I am responsible for developing the appropriate rate design for FPL’s  
15           customers and for administration of the Company’s electric rates and charges.

16 **Q.    Please describe your educational background and professional**  
17 **experience.**

18 A.    I graduated from the Virginia Military Institute in 2002 with a Bachelor of  
19           Arts in Economics and Business. In November 2016, I joined FPL as  
20           Principal Analyst in the Rate Development section of the Regulatory Affairs  
21           business unit, and assumed my current role in March 2018. Prior to joining  
22           FPL, I was employed by Dominion Energy for fourteen years. From 2003 to  
23           2007, I worked within Dominion’s Trading and Marketing Organization as a

1 Business Operations Support Associate and Power Market Analyst. My  
2 responsibilities included Power Pool (PJM and NE-ISO) reconciliation,  
3 analysis, and trading support. In 2007, I was promoted to Hourly Trader  
4 where I was responsible for managing and optimizing the hourly operations of  
5 Dominion's merchant power plant assets in PJM and NE-ISO. From 2008 to  
6 2016, I worked within Dominion's State Regulation Department as a senior  
7 level Regulatory Pricing Analyst and Regulatory Advisor. My responsibilities  
8 included providing support and analysis as they related to rate design for all  
9 base and rider regulatory filings and was the Company's rates witness for  
10 several generation adjustment and fuel rate proceedings.

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12 I have previously presented testimony before the State Corporation of Virginia  
13 and the North Carolina Utilities Commission on rate design matters.

14 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

15 A. My testimony presents the Solar Base Rate Adjustment ("SoBRA") factor and  
16 the corresponding changes to base rates needed to recover the annual revenue  
17 requirements associated with the Company's universal solar energy centers  
18 that are currently being constructed and expected to enter commercial  
19 operation by May 1, 2020 ("2020 Project"). I am also presenting the revision  
20 to FPL's SoBRA Factor which became effective on January 1, 2018 (the  
21 "2017 Project") and the corresponding prospective true-up rates to become  
22 effective January 1, 2020, and the amount to be refunded through the Capacity  
23 Cost Recovery Clause ("CCRC") as a result of the true-up.

1 **Q. Are you sponsoring any exhibits in this docket that were prepared by you**  
2 **or under your supervision?**

3 A. Yes. I am sponsoring the following exhibits:

- 4 • EJA-1 2020 SoBRA Factor Calculation;
- 5 • EJA-2 Projected Retail Base Revenues for May 1, 2020;
- 6 • EJA-3 Summary of Tariff Changes for May 1, 2020;
- 7 • EJA-4 Revised 2017 SoBRA Factor;
- 8 • EJA-5 2017 Project Refund Calculation;
- 9 • EJA-6 2017 SoBRA Prospective Adjustment for January 1, 2020;
- 10 • EJA-7 Projected Retail Base Revenues for January 1, 2020;
- 11 • EJA-8 Summary of Tariff Changes for January 1, 2020; and
- 12 • EJA-9 Typical Bill Projections.

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**2020 SoBRA Factor**

15 **Q. Please explain the calculation of the 2020 SoBRA factor and the purpose**  
16 **it serves.**

17 A. I have calculated the 2020 SoBRA factor as required by FPL's 2016  
18 Settlement Agreement ("Settlement Agreement"), approved by the Florida  
19 Public Service Commission ("Commission") in Order No. PSC-16-0560-AS-  
20 EI. The SoBRA factor is equal to the ratio of (1) the Company's jurisdictional  
21 revenue requirement of \$50.491 million presented by FPL witness Liz Fuentes  
22 for the 2020 Project and (2) the forecasted retail base revenue from electricity  
23 sales for the first twelve months of operations, expected to begin May 1, 2020.

1 Application of the SoBRA factor to the Company's May 1, 2020 base rates  
2 will provide the Company with sufficient revenue to recover the costs  
3 associated with the construction and operation of the 2020 Project. The  
4 calculation and resulting SoBRA factor of 0.732% is shown in Exhibit EJA-1,  
5 page 1 of 1.

6 **Q. Do you have an exhibit that provides the forecasted retail base revenue**  
7 **for the projected 12-month period beginning May 1, 2020?**

8 A. Yes. Exhibit EJA-2, page 1 of 1, provides the forecasted retail base revenue  
9 from the sales of electricity for all customer classes for the projected 12-  
10 month period beginning May 1, 2020. Forecasted retail base revenues from  
11 the sales of electricity include customer, demand and energy charge revenues,  
12 base revenues recovered through the Energy Conservation Cost Recovery  
13 Clause for the Commercial/Industrial Load Control Program and  
14 Commercial/Industrial Demand Reduction Rider credits, and non-clause  
15 recoverable credits (*e.g.*, transformation rider credits and curtailable service  
16 credits). Thus, all the charges subject to the SoBRA factor are included in  
17 these revenue figures. Unbilled retail base revenue is included in total retail  
18 base revenue from the sales of electricity in order to account for the collection  
19 lag resulting from the billing cycle. Additionally, retail base revenues have  
20 been adjusted prospectively to account for the true-up associated with FPL's  
21 2017 SoBRA. The total adjusted retail base revenues from the sale of  
22 electricity for the twelve months beginning May 1, 2020 are projected to be  
23 \$6,896.706 million, shown on Exhibit EJA-2, page 1 of 1.

1 **Q. Do you have an exhibit that provides a summary of the retail base rates to**  
2 **become effective for meter readings made on and after May 1, 2020?**

3 A. Yes. Exhibit EJA-3 provides a summary of the base rates proposed to become  
4 effective for meter readings made on and after May 1, 2020, shown in column  
5 4 of Exhibit EJA-3, pages 1-25. If the SoBRA and the associated charges are  
6 approved for the 2020 Project, the Company will submit revised tariff sheets  
7 reflecting the Commission-approved charges.

8 **Q. Please explain how the Company will notify the Commission of the 2020**  
9 **Project's commercial operation date?**

10 A. The Company will submit a letter to the Commission that declares the  
11 commercial operation date and time. SoBRA base rate changes will become  
12 effective only on or after that commercial operation date.

13 **Q. Will customers receive a credit if the actual capital expenditures for the**  
14 **2020 Project are less than the projected costs used to develop these initial**  
15 **SoBRA factors?**

16 A. Yes. As more fully described in Section 10(g) of the Settlement Agreement,  
17 customers will receive a one-time credit through the CCRC to reflect the  
18 difference in revenue requirements resulting from the difference between the  
19 Project's actual and projected capital expenditures. This is identical to the  
20 refund associated with FPL's 2017 SoBRA, which I will describe.

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**2017 SoBRA True-Up**

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2 **Q. You mentioned previously that you are also presenting the revision to**  
3 **FPL's SoBRA Factor for the true-up of the 2017 Project revenue**  
4 **requirements. Please explain.**

5 A. We are employing the identical mechanism FPL employed to true-up the  
6 capital expenditures associated with the Cape Canaveral and Port Everglades  
7 Energy Centers. As presented in Exhibit LF-2 to the testimony of FPL  
8 witness Fuentes, the 2017 Project's revised jurisdictional annualized base  
9 revenue requirement based on actual capital costs is \$57.371 million.

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11 Except for the revenue requirement associated with the actual capital costs,  
12 the revised SoBRA Factor is computed using the same data used in the  
13 computation of the initial SoBRA Factor. This data includes billed retail base  
14 revenues from the sales of electricity and unbilled retail base revenues in the  
15 amount of \$6,458.109 million, as was described in the testimony of FPL  
16 witness Tiffany C. Cohen supporting the initial 2017 SoBRA .

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18 The revised 2017 SoBRA Factor using the updated revenue requirement of  
19 \$57.371 million is 0.888%. The computation of the revised SoBRA Factors is  
20 provided in Exhibit EJA-4, page 1 of 1.

21 **Q. Please describe the refund associated with FPL's 2017 Project.**

22 A. Pursuant to the Settlement Agreement and consistent with the Initial SoBRA  
23 Filing, once the 2017 Project actual capital costs are known, if the unit's

1 actual capital costs are less than the projected costs used to develop the initial  
2 SoBRA Factors, a one-time credit is to be made through the CCRC. The  
3 difference between the cumulative base revenues that have been collected  
4 since the implementation of the initial SoBRA Factor on January 1, 2018 and  
5 the cumulative base revenues that would have resulted if the revised SoBRA  
6 Factors had been implemented on January 1, 2018 will be credited to  
7 customers through the CCRC with interest through December 31, 2019 at the  
8 30-day commercial paper rate as specified in Rule 25-6.109. The amount of  
9 the refund with interest for 2017 Project since the project entered commercial  
10 service is \$6.658 million and is shown on Exhibit EJA-5, page 2 of 2.

11 **Q. Will rates need to be adjusted going forward to account for the 2017**  
12 **SoBRA true-up?**

13 A. Yes, in accordance with Section 10(g) of the Settlement Agreement, base rates  
14 will also be adjusted to reflect the revised SoBRA factor effective January 1,  
15 2020 to account for this revision in jurisdictional revenue requirements going  
16 forward. Exhibits EJA-6 through EJA-8 present the calculations and resulting  
17 rates for this change.

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### **Bill Impacts**

20 **Q. Please explain how these proposed changes in rates presented throughout**  
21 **your testimony will impact FPL customers' bills and how those bills will**  
22 **compare to other utilities nationally and in Florida.**



1 A. Exhibit EJA-9 provides projected bill changes. The typical bill projections  
2 reflect proposed base and clause changes to become effective on January 1,  
3 2020 and proposed base and fuel changes related to the SoBRA for the 2020  
4 Project scheduled to become effective by May 1, 2020.

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6 FPL projects that the May 2020 typical residential bill of \$96.71 will remain  
7 30% below the national average (as of January 2019), 17% below the state  
8 average (as of June 2019), and will remain among the lowest in the state of  
9 Florida.

10 **Q. Does this conclude your direct testimony?**

11 A. Yes.

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**BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

Docket No. 20190001-EI  
Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Recovery Clause  
Direct Testimony of  
Curtis Young  
(2018 Final True-Up)  
on behalf of  
Florida Public Utilities Company

1 Q. Please state your name and business address.

2 A. Curtis Young, 1635 Meathe Road, West Palm Beach, Florida 33411.

3 Q. By whom are you employed?

4 A. I am employed by Florida Public Utilities Company.

5 Q. Could you give a brief description of your background and business experience?

6 A. I am the Senior Regulatory Analyst for Florida Public Utilities Company. I have  
7 performed various accounting and analytical functions including regulatory filings,  
8 revenue reporting, account analysis, recovery rate reconciliations and earnings  
9 surveillance. I'm also involved in the preparation of special reports and schedules  
10 used internally by division managers for decision making projects. Additionally, I  
11 coordinate the gathering of data for the FPSC audits.

12 Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?

13 A. The purpose of my testimony is to present the calculation of the final remaining true-  
14 up amounts for the period January 2018 through December 2018.

15 Q. Have you included any exhibits to support your testimony?

16 A. Yes. Exhibit \_\_\_\_\_ (CDY-1 ) consists of Schedules A, C1 and E1-B for the  
17 Consolidated Electric Division. These schedules were prepared from the records of  
18 the company.

1 Q. What has FPUC calculated as the final remaining true-up amounts for the period  
2 January 2017 through December 2017?

3 A. For the Consolidated Electric Division the final remaining true-up amount is an over  
4 recovery of \$2,475,441.

5 Q. How was this amount calculated?

6 A. It is the difference between the actual end of period true-up amount for the January  
7 through December 2018 period and the total true-up amount to be collected or  
8 refunded during the January - December 2019 period.

9 Q. What was the actual end of period true-up amount for January - December 2018?

10 A. For the Consolidated Electric Division it was \$1,482,331 under recovery. We have  
11 included in this computation a refund to our customers of \$2,181,243 in federal tax  
12 savings. If not for these savings, the actual end of period true-up would be a  
13 \$3,663,574 under-recovery. The resulting final remaining true-up amount without the  
14 federal tax saving benefits would have been reduced to an over-recovery of \$294,198.

15 Q. What was the Commission-approved amount to be collected or refunded during the  
16 January – December 2019 period?

17 A. A consolidated under-recovery of \$3,957,772 to be collected.

18 Q. Does this conclude your direct testimony?

19 A. Yes, it does.

1                                    **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

2                    DOCKET NO. 20190001-EI: Fuel and purchased power cost recovery clause with  
3                                    generating performance incentive factor.

4                                    Direct Testimony of Curtis D. Young (Estimated/Actual)

5                                    On Behalf of Florida Public Utilities Company

6        **Q.     Please state your name and business address.**

7        A.     My name is Curtis D. Young. My business address is 1635 Meathe Drive, West  
8                    Palm Beach, Florida 33411.

9        **Q.     By whom are you employed?**

10       A.     I am employed by Florida Public Utilities Company (“FPUC” or “Company”)

11       **Q.     Describe briefly your education and relevant professional background.**

12       A.     I have a Bachelor of Business Administration Degree in Accounting from Pace  
13                    University in New York City, New York. I am the Senior Regulatory Analyst for  
14                    Florida Public Utilities Company. I have performed various accounting and  
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17                    preparation of special reports and schedules used internally by division managers for  
18                    decision making projects. Additionally, I coordinate the gathering of data for the  
19                    FPSC audits..

20       **Q.     Have you previously testified in this Docket?**

21       A.     Yes, I have.

22       **Q.     What is the purpose of your testimony at this time?**

1 A. I will briefly describe the basis for the Company's computations made in preparation  
2 of the schedules being submitted in this docket.

3 **Q. Which of the Staff's schedules is the Company providing in support of this**  
4 **filing?**

5 A. I am attaching Schedules E1-A, E1-B, and E1-B1 as part of Composite Prehearing  
6 Identification Number CDY-2. Schedule E1-B shows the Calculation of Purchased  
7 Power Costs and Calculation of True-Up and Interest Provision for the period  
8 January 2019 – December 2019 based on 6 Months Actual and 6 Months Estimated  
9 data.

10 **Q. Were these schedules completed by you or under your direct supervision?**

11 A. The schedules were completed under my direct supervision.

12 **Q. What was the final remaining true-up amount for the period January 2018 –**  
13 **December 2018?**

14 A. The final remaining true-up amount was an over-recovery of \$2,475,441.

15 **Q. What is the estimated true-up amount for the period January 2019 – December**  
16 **2019?**

17 A. The estimated true-up amount is an under-recovery of \$4,409,893.

18 **Q. What is the total true-up amount estimated to be collected, or refunded for the**  
19 **period January 2020 – December 2020?**

20 A. At the end of December 2019, based on six months actual and six months estimated,  
21 the Company estimates it will under-recover \$1,934,452 in purchased power costs,  
22 which will be collected from January 2020 – December 2020.

1 **Q. Has the Company made any revisions to its 2019 estimated six month projection**  
2 **data?**

3 A. Yes, there are a few factors that have changed since our original projection filing for  
4 2019. We've updated the cost rates pertaining to fuel purchases from Gulf Power for  
5 our Northwest division and FPL for our Northeast division, which were originally  
6 based on rates that were available at that time. Therefore, we have updated our fuel  
7 costs to more accurately reflect current billing data from our power suppliers. Also,  
8 we have revised our monthly estimated KWH sales data to agree with our most  
9 current budget forecasts.

10 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

11 A. Yes.

1                   (Whereupon, prefiled direct testimony was  
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1                   **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**  
2   DOCKET NO. 20190001-EI: FUEL AND PURCHASED POWER COST RECOVERY  
3                   **CLAUSE WITH GENERATING PERFORMANCE INCENTIVE FACTOR**

4                   2020 Projection Testimony of Michelle D. Napier

5                   On Behalf of

6                   Florida Public Utilities Company

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8           **Q.       Please state your name and business address.**

9           A.       My name is Michelle D. Napier. My business address is 1635 Meathe  
10           Drive, West Palm Beach, FL 33411.

11          **Q.       By whom are you employed?**

12          A.       I am employed by Florida Public Utilities Company (“FPUC” or  
13           “Company”) as Manager of Regulatory Affairs.

14          **Q.       Could you give a brief description of your background and business  
15           experience?**

16          A.       I received a Bachelor of Science degree in Finance from the University of  
17           South Florida in 1986. I have been employed with FPUC since 1987.  
18           During my employment at FPUC, I have performed various roles and  
19           functions in accounting, including General Accounting Manager before  
20           moving to the Regulatory department in 2011. I am currently the  
21           Manager of Regulatory Affairs. In this role, my responsibilities include  
22           directing the regulatory activities for FPUC. This includes regulatory  
23           analysis and filings before the Florida Public Service Commission  
24           (FPSC) for FPUC, FPUC-Indiantown, FPUC-Fort Meade, Florida

1 Division of Chesapeake Utilities (CFG) and Peninsula Pipeline  
2 Company.

3 **Q. Have you previously testified in this Docket?**

4 A. No.

5 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony at this time?**

6 A. My testimony will establish the “true-up” collection amount, based on  
7 actual January 2018 through June 2019 data and projected July 2019  
8 through December 2020 data to be collected or refunded during January  
9 2020 – December 2020. My testimony will also summarize the  
10 computations that are contained in composite exhibit MDN-1 supporting  
11 the January through December 2020 projected levelized fuel adjustment  
12 factors for its consolidated electric divisions.

13 **Q. Were the schedules filed by the Company completed by you or under  
14 your direct supervision?**

15 A. Yes, they were completed under my direct supervision and review.

16 **Q. Is FPUC providing the required schedules with this filing?**

17 A. Yes. Included with this filing are Consolidated Electric Schedules E1,  
18 E1A, E2, E7, E8, and E10. These schedules are included in my Exhibit  
19 MDN-1, which is appended to my testimony.

20 **Q. Did you include costs in addition to the costs specific to purchased  
21 fuel in the calculations of your true-up and projected amounts?**

1 A. Yes, included with our fuel and purchased power costs are charges for  
2 contracted consultants and legal services that are directly fuel-related and  
3 appropriate for recovery in the fuel and purchased power clause. Mr.  
4 Cutshaw addresses these projects more specifically in his testimony.

5 **Q. Please explain how these costs were determined to be recoverable**  
6 **under the fuel and purchased power clause?**

7 A. Consistent with the Commission's policy set forth in Order No. 14546,  
8 issued in Docket No. 850001-EI-B, on July 8, 1985, the other fuel related  
9 costs included in the fuel clause are directly related to purchased power,  
10 have not been recovered through base rates.  
11 Specifically, consistent with item 10 of Order 14546, the costs the  
12 Company has included are fuel-related costs that were not anticipated or  
13 included in the cost levels used to establish the current base rates.  
14 Similar expenses paid to Christensen and Associates associated with the  
15 design for a Request for Proposals of purchased power costs, and the  
16 evaluation of those responses, were deemed appropriate for recovery by  
17 FPUC through the fuel and purchased power clause in Order No. PSC-  
18 05-1252-FOF-EI, Item II E, issued in Docket No. 050001-EI.  
19 Additionally, in more recent Docket Nos. 20140001-EI, 20150001-EI,  
20 20160001-EI, 20170001-EI, 20180001-EI and 20190001-EI, the  
21 Commission determined that many of the costs associated with the legal  
22 and consulting work incurred by the Company as fuel related,  
23 particularly those costs related to the purchase power agreement review  
24 and analysis, were recoverable under the fuel clause. As the Commission

1 has recognized time and again, the Company simply does not have the  
2 internal resources to pursue projects and initiatives designed to produce  
3 purchased power savings without engaging outside assistance for project  
4 analytics and due diligence, as well as negotiation and contract  
5 development expertise. Likewise, the Company believes that the costs  
6 addressed herein are appropriate for recovery through the fuel clause.

7 **Q. Please explain what are the costs outside of purchased power costs**  
8 **included in the 2019 true-up for Florida Public Utilities Company?**

9 A. Florida Public Utilities engaged Sterling Energy Services, LLC.  
10 (“Sterling”) Christensen Associates Energy, LLC (“Christensen”), Locke  
11 Lord, LLP (“Lord”), and Pierpont and McClelland (“Pierpont”) for  
12 assistance in the development and enactment of projects/programs  
13 designed to reduce their purchased power rates to its customers. The  
14 associated legal and consulting costs, included in the rate calculation of  
15 the Company’s 2020 Projection factors, were not included in expenses  
16 during the last FPUC consolidated electric base rate proceeding and are  
17 not being recovered through base rates.

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19 provide consulting services for FPUC as it relates to the structuring of,  
20 and operation under, the Company’s power purchase agreements with the  
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22 provide opportunities for cost reductions. Lord is a law firm with  
23 particular expertise in the regulatory requirements of the Federal Energy  
24 Regulatory Commission. Attorneys with the firm have provided legal

1 guidance and oversight regarding the contracts and regulatory  
2 requirements for generation and transmission-related issues for the  
3 Northeast Florida Division. The Company's in-house experience in these  
4 areas is limited; thus, without this outside assistance, the Company's  
5 ability to pursue potential purchased power savings opportunities would  
6 be limited, as would its ability properly evaluate proposals to meet our  
7 generation and transmission needs and ensure compliance with federal  
8 regulatory requirements.

9 Sterling and Christensen have been hired to assist the Company in the  
10 most cost-effective means of incorporating additional energy sources,  
11 such as power available from certain industrial customers, including  
12 customers with Combined Heat and Power (CHP) capability, to further  
13 reduce the overall purchased power impact to all FPUC customers.  
14 Christensen also assisted the Company with analysis regarding the  
15 purchase power agreements.

16 **Q. What are the final remaining true-up amounts for the period**  
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19 of \$2,475,441.

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2 on six months actual and six months estimated, we will have a  
3 consolidated electric under-recovery of \$1,934,452.

4 **Q. What will the total consolidated fuel adjustment factor, excluding**  
5 **demand cost recovery, be for the consolidated electric division for**  
6 **the period?**

7 A. The total fuel adjustment factor as shown on line 43, Schedule E-1 is  
8 5.109¢ per KWH.

9 **Q. Please advise what a residential customer using 1,000 KWH will pay**  
10 **for the period January - December 2020 including base rates,**  
11 **conservation cost recovery factors, gross receipts tax and fuel**  
12 **adjustment factor and after application of a line loss multiplier.**

13 A. As shown on consolidated Schedule E-10 in Composite Exhibit Number  
14 MDN-1, a residential customer using 1,000 KWH will pay \$131.46. This  
15 is a decrease of \$5.17 below the previous period.

16 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

17 A. Yes.

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3                   **CLAUSE WITH GENERATING PERFORMANCE INCENTIVE FACTOR**

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11 **conservation cost recovery factors, gross receipts tax and fuel**  
12 **adjustment factor and after application of a line loss multiplier.**

13 A. As shown on consolidated Revised Schedule E-10 in Composite Exhibit  
14 Number MDN-1, a residential customer using 1,000 KWH will pay a  
15 fuel charge of \$74.59 in 2020. The 2019 fuel charge for the same KWH  
16 is \$95.26. Therefore, proposed fuel costs decrease by \$20.67, or \$21.20  
17 with gross receipts taxes included. I should add that the total proposed  
18 bill on the Revised Schedule E-10 of \$115.24 is based upon FPUC's  
19 current base rates, and excludes the Company's requested increase to  
20 recover costs associated with restoration of its facilities following  
21 Hurricane Michael. If the projection were to assume approval of the  
22 requested increase, as well as the other adjustments to the Company's  
23 conservation cost recovery factor and gross receipts taxes, the net  
24 monthly bill for a residential customer using 1,000 KWH would be

1                    \$131.46, a net decrease of \$4.98 on a typical customer's bill.

2            **Q.**            **Does this conclude your testimony?**

3            **A.**            Yes.

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BEFORE THE  
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DOCKET NO. 20190001-EI  
FUEL AND PURCHASED POWER COST RECOVERY CLAUSE WITH GENERATING  
PERFORMANCE INCENTIVE FACTOR

2020 Projection Testimony of P. Mark Cutshaw  
On Behalf of  
Florida Public Utilities Company

1       **Q.     Please state your name and business address.**

2       A.     My name is P. Mark Cutshaw, 1750 South 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Fernandina Beach, Florida  
3             32034.

4       **Q.     By whom are you employed?**

5       A.     I am employed by Florida Public Utilities Company (“FPUC” or “Company”).

6       **Q.     Could you give a brief description of your background and business  
7             experience?**

8       A.     I graduated from Auburn University in 1982 with a B.S. in Electrical Engineering  
9             and began my career with Mississippi Power Company in June 1982. I spent 9  
10            years with Mississippi Power Company and held positions of increasing  
11            responsibility that involved budgeting, as well as operations and maintenance  
12            activities at various Company locations. I joined FPUC in 1991 as Division  
13            Manager in our Northwest Florida Division and have since worked extensively in  
14            both the Northwest Florida and Northeast Florida Divisions. Since joining FPUC,  
15            my responsibilities have included all aspects of budgeting, customer service,  
16            operations and maintenance in both the Northeast and Northwest Florida  
17            Divisions. My responsibilities also included involvement with Cost of Service

1 Studies and Rate Design in other rate proceedings before the Commission as well  
2 as other regulatory issues. During 2015 I moved into my current role as Director,  
3 Business Development and Generation.

4 **Q. Have you previously testified before the Florida Public Service Commission**  
5 **(“Commission”)?**

6 A. Yes, I’ve provided testimony in a variety of Commission proceedings, including  
7 the Company’s 2014 rate case, addressed in Docket No. 20140025-EI. Most  
8 recently, I provided written, pre-filed testimony in Docket No. 20180001-EI, the  
9 Commission’s regular fuel cost recovery proceeding, and also provided both pre-  
10 filed and live testimony the prior year, in Docket No. 20170001-EI, the  
11 Commissions’ regular fuel cost recovery.

12 **Q. What is the purpose of your direct testimony in this Docket?**

13 A. My direct testimony addresses several aspects of the purchased power cost for our  
14 FPUC electric customers. This includes activities to investigate the potential for  
15 reduced purchase power costs, execution of new purchased power agreements with  
16 Florida Power & Light (“FPL”), generation supply located on Amelia Island and  
17 investigation into the opportunities of energy provided from solar and battery  
18 installations.

19 **Q. What new opportunities has the Company implemented with the intent of**  
20 **achieving energy resiliency and reducing costs for its customers in its**  
21 **consolidated electric divisions?**

22 A. The Company regularly pursues opportunities to achieve energy resiliency and  
23 reduced purchased power costs for the benefit of our customers. During 2018, we



1 began by executing a transmission interconnection agreement and a new purchased  
2 power agreement with Florida Power & Light (FPL) in our Northeast Florida  
3 Division. The most recent significant opportunity in 2019 came to fruition with the  
4 completion of a new purchased power agreement with FPL for our Northwest  
5 Florida Division and the amendment of the existing FPL purchased power  
6 agreement for our Northeast Florida Division. .

7 **Q. What is the status of the existing purchase power agreements in place with**  
8 **Gulf Power and FPL?**

9 A. The existing agreement for our Northwest Florida Division with Gulf Power is  
10 effective through December 31, 2019. The existing agreement for our Northeast  
11 Florida Division with FPL is effective through the December 31, 2024 expiration  
12 date.

13 **Q. Can you provide background on the new purchased power agreement with**  
14 **FPL for the Northwest Florida Division and the amendment of the purchased**  
15 **power agreement for the Northeast Florida Division that will become effective**  
16 **January 1, 2020?**

17 A. Yes. Informal solicitations occurred with four providers that were capable of  
18 providing wholesale power to the Northwest Florida Division delivery points  
19 located in Jackson and Calhoun Counties. Additional consideration was given to  
20 the ability to combine agreements for the Northeast and Northwest Florida  
21 Divisions in order to provide additional flexibility, reduced cost and energy  
22 resiliency between divisions. Proposals were received from four parties and the  
23 evaluation and discussions began immediately thereafter. Based on the differences

1 in the bids submitted, the evaluation required additional time for soliciting  
2 additional information to allow for further evaluation. After the evaluation was  
3 completed, FPL was determined to be the most appropriate selection and  
4 additional negotiations were conducted in order to develop a comprehensive  
5 purchased power agreement that impacted both the Northwest and Northeast  
6 Florida Divisions. On August 12, 2019 the “Native Load Firm All Requirements  
7 Power and Energy Agreement” (“Agreement”) for the Northwest Florida Division  
8 was executed by both parties with an effective date of January 1, 2020 and  
9 continuing in effect through December 31, 2026. Additionally, on August 12,  
10 2019, the “First Amendment To The Native Load Firm All Requirements Power  
11 and Energy Agreement” (“Amendment”) for the Northeast Florida Division was  
12 executed by both parties. The “Amendment” will have the effect of extending the  
13 existing agreement for the Northeast Florida Division through December 31, 2026.  
14 Both the “Agreement” and “Amendment” include a provision that will allow  
15 FPUC the sole right to extend the agreements through December 31, 2030.

16 **Q. Are there other efforts underway to identify projects that will lead to lower**  
17 **cost energy for FPUC customers?**

18 A. Yes. FPUC continues to work with consultants, as well as project developers, to  
19 identify new projects and opportunities that can lead to increased energy resiliency  
20 and reduced fuel costs for our customers. We also continue to analyze the  
21 feasibility of energy production and supply opportunities that have been on our  
22 planning horizon for some time and noted in prior fuel clause proceedings, namely

1 additional Combined Heat and Power (CHP) projects and potential Solar  
2 Photovoltaic (“PV”) projects.

3 **Q. Can you provide additional information on these CHP projects?**

4 A. Yes. The success of the Eight Flags project has sparked interest in other CHP  
5 opportunities on Amelia Island. When coupled with industrial expansion in the  
6 area and the ability to do so within the context of the “Agreement” and  
7 “Amendment” with FPL, the already quantifiable benefits of the existing project  
8 has piqued the interest of others to contemplate partnering with a new CHP-based  
9 project. Given that FPUC would again be the recipient of any power generated by  
10 such project, FPUC has been actively involved in the initial development and  
11 engineering of a new project located on Amelia Island. Although this project is  
12 still in the early stages, early indications are that the project would be feasible and  
13 would provide benefits to all parties involved.

14 **Q. Can you provide additional information on the PV projects you referenced**  
15 **above?**

16 A. Yes. FPUC has completed the analysis related to smaller PV systems within the  
17 FPUC electric service territory. Based on the results from the analysis, the  
18 economic feasibility of smaller PV installations has been difficult to achieve due to  
19 many different factors. At this time, FPUC is investigating opportunities involving  
20 larger PV installations which should prove to be more economically feasible. Not  
21 only will this increase the renewable energy available to FPUC, the cost is  
22 expected to complement the overall purchased power portfolio which will provide  
23 additional benefits to FPUC customers. The “Agreement” and the “Amendment”

1           have provisions that allow for the development of PV installations by FPUC and  
2           provides for the possibility of a partnership between the parties that would allow  
3           for the development of a PV project.

4           Additionally, exploration into the inclusion of battery storage capacity in  
5           conjunction with the PV installation is being considered. These projects are still in  
6           the early stages of analysis and development. Nonetheless, even in these early  
7           analysis and planning stages, the potential benefits of the PV projects under  
8           consideration have been very encouraging.

9           **Q. Does this include your testimony?**

10          A. Yes.

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## 1 GULF POWER COMPANY

2 Before the Florida Public Service Commission

3 Prepared Direct Testimony

4 C. Shane Boyett

5 Docket No. 20190001-EI

6 Date of Filing: March 1, 2019

7 Q. Please state your name, business address, and occupation.

8 A. My name is Shane Boyett. My business address is One Energy Place,  
9 Pensacola, Florida 32520-0780. I am the Regulatory Issues Manager for  
10 Gulf Power Company (Gulf or the Company).11 Q. Please briefly describe your educational background and business  
12 experience.13 A. I graduated from the University of Florida in 2001 with a Bachelor of  
14 Science degree in Business Administration and earned a Master of  
15 Business Administration degree from the University of West Florida in  
16 2005. I joined Gulf Power in 2002 and worked five years as a Forecasting  
17 Specialist until I took a position in the Regulatory and Cost Recovery area  
18 in 2007 as a Regulatory Analyst. I transferred to Gulf Power's Financial  
19 Planning department in 2014 as a Financial Analyst until being promoted  
20 to lead the Regulatory and Cost Recovery department later that year. My  
21 current responsibilities include oversight of the Company's Regulatory,  
22 Pricing and Forecasting functions which includes the fuel and purchase  
23 power cost recovery clause, tariff administration, calculation of cost  
24 recovery factors and the regulatory filing function of Gulf Power Company.

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1 Q. What is the purpose of your testimony in this docket?

2 A. The purpose of my testimony is to present the final true-up amounts for  
3 the period January 2018 through December 2018 for both the Fuel and  
4 Purchased Power Cost Recovery Clause and the Capacity Cost Recovery  
5 Clause. I will summarize Gulf Power Company's fuel expenses, net power  
6 transaction expense, purchased power capacity costs, and certify that  
7 these expenses were properly incurred during the period January 2018  
8 through December 2018. Lastly, I will present the actual benchmark level  
9 for the calendar year 2019 gains on non-separated wholesale energy  
10 sales eligible for a shareholder incentive and the amount of gains or  
11 losses from hedging settlements for the period January 2018 through  
12 December 2018.

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14 Q. Have you prepared any exhibits to which you will refer in your testimony?

15 A. Yes, I am sponsoring 2 exhibits. Exhibit 1 consists of 8 schedules and  
16 includes 2 schedules which relate to the fuel and purchased power cost  
17 recovery final true-up, 1 schedule that relates to Gulf's natural gas fuel  
18 hedging activities for 2018 and 5 schedules that relate to the capacity cost  
19 recovery final true-up. Exhibit 2 contains Schedules A-1 through A-9 and  
20 A-12 for the period December 2018, previously filed with the Florida Public  
21 Service Commission (FPSC or Commission).

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23 Counsel: We ask that Mr. Boyett's exhibits be marked as  
24 Exhibit No. \_\_\_\_\_(CSB-1) and \_\_\_\_\_(CSB-2).

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1 Q. Have you verified that to the best of your knowledge and belief, the  
2 information contained in these documents is correct?

3 A. Yes, I have. Unless otherwise indicated, the actual data in these  
4 documents is taken from the books and records of Gulf Power Company.  
5 The books and records are kept in the regular course of business in  
6 accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and practices,  
7 and provisions of the Uniform System of Accounts as prescribed by the  
8 Commission. Based on the information in these documents and the  
9 foregoing testimony, the recoverable fuel and purchased power costs, and  
10 hedging activities are reasonable and prudent.  
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### 13 I. FUEL

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15 Q. Which schedules of your exhibit relate to the calculation of the fuel and  
16 purchased power cost recovery true-up amount?

17 A. Schedules 1 and 2 of my Exhibit CSB-1 relate to the fuel and purchased  
18 power cost recovery true-up calculation for the period January 2018  
19 through December 2018. These schedules compare twelve months of  
20 actual data to the revised actual/estimated true-up filed in last year's fuel  
21 docket which included seven months of actual and five months of re-  
22 projected data. In addition, Fuel Cost Recovery Schedules A-1 through A-  
23 9 for December 2018 are incorporated herein as Exhibit CSB-2. The A-  
24 schedules compare twelve months of actual data to twelve months of  
25 projected data from a combination of the original 2018 fuel projection for



1 the period January through June, and the 2018 estimated true-up re-  
2 projections for the period July through December.

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4 Q. What is the final fuel and purchased power cost true-up amount related to  
5 the period January 2018 through December 2018 to be addressed through  
6 the fuel cost recovery factors in the period January 2020 through  
7 December 2020?

8 A. A net over-recovery amount of \$4,512,071, to be returned to customers,  
9 was calculated as shown on Schedule 1 of my Exhibit CSB-1.

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11 Q. How was this amount calculated?

12 A. The \$4,512,071 is calculated on Schedule 1 of my Exhibit CSB-1 by taking  
13 the difference between the estimated and actual over/under-recovery  
14 amounts for the period January 2018 through December 2018. The  
15 estimated over-recovery amount was \$13,195,558 as compared to the  
16 actual over-recovery amount of \$17,707,628, resulting in an over-recovery  
17 of \$4,512,071. The estimated true-up amount for this period was  
18 approved in FPSC Order No. PSC-2018-0610-FOF-EI, dated December  
19 26, 2018.

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21 Q. What are the primary factors which contributed to the final fuel and  
22 purchased power cost true-up amount?

23 A. Gulf Power experienced slightly higher than estimated fuel and net power  
24 expense which was more than offset by higher than estimated jurisdictional  
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1 fuel clause revenue. These variances are discussed in more detail below  
2 and are summarized on Schedule 2 of my Exhibit CSB-1.

3  
4 Fuel Clause Revenue

5 Q. Please explain the variance in Fuel Revenue Applicable for 2018.

6 A. Gulf Power's jurisdictional fuel revenue was \$350,111,657 which was  
7 \$8,400,269 or 2.46% above the estimated/actual. This variance is due to  
8 jurisdictional energy sales being 152,524 MWH or 1.3% higher than  
9 estimated.

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11 Total Fuel and Net Power Transactions

12 Q. During the period January 2018 through December 2018, how did Gulf  
13 Power Company's recoverable total fuel and net power transaction  
14 expenses compare with the actual/estimated expenses?

15 A. Gulf's recoverable total fuel cost and net power transaction expense was  
16 \$384,657,932 which is \$3,509,807 or 0.92% above the estimated amount  
17 of \$381,148,125. Actual fuel and net power transaction energy was  
18 11,782,999 MWh compared to the estimated net energy of 11,886,406  
19 MWh or 0.87% below the estimated amount. The slightly higher total fuel  
20 and net power transaction expense is attributed to higher than estimated  
21 amount of coal and natural gas generation costs offset by an increase in  
22 energy power sales revenue driven by a higher than estimated  
23 reimbursement rate for the year. This information is summarized on  
24 Schedule 2 of my Exhibit CSB-1.

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1 Total Fuel Cost of Generated Power

2 Q. During the period January 2018 through December 2018, how did Gulf  
3 Power Company's recoverable fuel cost of net generation compare with  
4 the actual/estimated expenses?

5 A. Gulf's recoverable fuel cost of system net generation was \$291,564,766 or  
6 7.17% above the estimated amount of \$272,054,316. Actual generation  
7 was 9,320,038 MWh or 0.30% below the estimated generation of  
8 9,348,372 MWh. The resulting actual average fuel cost of 3.128 cents per  
9 kWh was 7.50% above the estimated fuel cost of 2.910 cents per kWh.  
10 The actual quantity of fuel consumed was 85,957,268 MMBtu which is  
11 3.89% above the estimated quantity of 82,737,320 MMBtu. The weighted  
12 average fuel cost for natural gas was 2.92 cents per kWh, which is 0.23  
13 cents per kWh or 8.55% above the estimated 2.69 cents per kWh. The  
14 weighted average fuel cost for coal, plus lighter fuel, was 3.14 cents per  
15 kWh, which is 1.29% higher than the estimated cost of 3.10 cents per  
16 kWh. The higher total fuel expense is attributed to the quantity of kWh  
17 generated for coal combined with higher than estimated natural gas prices  
18 for the period. This information is summarized on Schedule 2 of my  
19 Exhibit CSB-1.

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21 Total Cost of Purchased Power

22 Q. During the period January 2018 through December 2018, how did Gulf  
23 Power Company's recoverable fuel cost of purchased power compare to  
24 actual/estimated cost?

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1 A. Gulf's recoverable fuel cost of purchased power for the period was  
2 \$211,899,427 or 3.61% above the estimated amount of \$204,517,999.  
3 Total megawatt hours of purchased power were 6,432,547 MWh compared  
4 to the estimate of 6,464,902 MWh or 0.50% below estimates. The resulting  
5 average fuel cost of purchased power was 3.294 cents per kWh or 4.13%  
6 above the estimated amount of 3.164 cents per kWh. This information is  
7 from Schedule A-1, period-to-date, for the month of December 2018  
8 included in my Exhibit CSB-2 and summarized on schedule 2 of Exhibit  
9 CSB-1.

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11 Q. What are the reasons for the difference between Gulf's actual fuel cost of  
12 purchased power and the actual/estimated costs?

13 A. The higher total fuel cost of purchased power is primarily due to higher  
14 than estimated prices for natural gas-fired energy supplied to Gulf Power  
15 through power purchase agreements.

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17 Power Sales

18 Q. During the period January 2018 through December 2018 how did Gulf Power  
19 Company's recoverable fuel cost of power sold compare with the  
20 actual/estimated costs?

21 A. Gulf's recoverable fuel cost of power sold for the period is \$123,204,069 or  
22 18.92% above the estimated amount of \$103,604,582. The total quantity of  
23 power sales was 3,701,704 MWh compared to Gulf's estimated sales of  
24 3,668,716 MWh, or 0.90% above estimates. The resulting average fuel cost  
25 of power sold was 3.328 cents per kWh or 17.86% above the estimated

1 amount of 2.824 cents per kWh. This information is from Schedule A-1,  
 2 period-to-date, for the month of December 2018 and summarized on  
 3 Schedule 2 of CSB-1.

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 5 Q. What are the reasons for the difference between Gulf's actual fuel cost of  
 6 power sold and the actual/estimated costs?

7 A. The overall quantity of MWH sales was 0.90% higher than estimated  
 8 amounts, however, the higher total credit to fuel expense is attributed to a  
 9 higher than estimated reimbursement rate (cents per kWh) due to higher  
 10 than estimated prices for natural gas throughout the period.

11  
 12 Gains on Non-Separated Wholesale Energy Sales Benchmark

13 Q. Has the benchmark level for gains on non-separated wholesale energy  
 14 sales eligible for a shareholder incentive been updated for actual 2018  
 15 gains?

16 A. Yes, the three-year rolling average gain on economy sales, based entirely  
 17 on actual data for calendar years 2016 through 2018 is calculated as  
 18 follows:

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<u>Year</u>	<u>Actual Gain</u>
2016	700,065
2017	1,988,936
2018	<u>589,410</u>
Three-Year Average	<u>\$ 1,092,804</u>

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1 Q. What is the actual threshold for 2019?

2 A. The actual threshold for 2019 is \$1,092,804.

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## II. HEDGING

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7 Q. Did Gulf's fuel hedging activity during 2018 follow Gulf Power's Risk  
8 Management Plan for Fuel Procurement?

9 A. Yes. As part of the Stipulation and Settlement Agreement, in Docket No.  
10 20160186-EI, Gulf agreed to continue its existing moratorium for new  
11 natural gas financial hedges until January 1, 2021. Although Gulf did not  
12 enter into any new financial hedge contracts in 2018, hedges that settled  
13 in 2018 were entered into prior to the current moratorium on natural gas  
14 financial hedges and complied with previously approved Risk  
15 Management Plans.

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17 Q. For the period in question, what volume of natural gas was hedged using  
18 a fixed price contract or financial instrument?

19 A. Gulf Power hedged 17,040,000 MMBtu of natural gas in 2018 using  
20 financial instruments. This represents 29% of Gulf's 59,533,727 MMBtu of  
21 actual gas burn during the period, which includes gas burn for the Central  
22 Alabama PPA combined cycle unit. The total amount of natural gas burn  
23 by month is reported on Schedule 3 of Exhibit CSB-1.

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1 Q. What types of hedging instruments were used by Gulf Power Company,  
2 and what type and volume of fuel was hedged by each type of instrument?

3 A. Natural gas was hedged using financial swap contracts that were entered  
4 into prior to the current moratorium to fix the price of natural gas to a  
5 certain price. These swaps settled against either a NYMEX Last Day  
6 price or Gas Daily price. Of the volume of gas hedged for the period, all  
7 was hedged using financial swap contracts.

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9 Q. What was the actual total cost (e.g., fees, commissions, option premiums,  
10 futures gains and losses, swap settlements) associated with each type of  
11 hedging instrument for the period January 2018 through December 2018?

12 A. No fees, commissions, or premiums were paid by Gulf on the financial  
13 hedge transactions during this period. Gulf's 2018 hedging program  
14 activities for the period January through December 2018 resulted in a net  
15 hedge settlement cost of \$11,832,300, as shown on line 2 of the  
16 December 2018 Schedule A-1, period-to-date of my Exhibit CSB-2.

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### III. PURCHASED POWER CAPACITY

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21 Q. Mr. Boyett, you stated earlier that you are responsible for the purchased  
22 power capacity cost recovery true-up calculation. Which schedules of  
23 your exhibit relate to the calculation of this amount?

24 A. Schedules 4, CCA-1, CCA-2, CCA-3, and CCA-4 of Exhibit CSB-1 relate to  
25 the purchased power capacity cost recovery true-up calculation for the

1 period January 2018 through December 2018. Schedules CCA-1 and  
2 Schedule 4 summarize the calculation of the final true-up amount.  
3 Schedules CCA-2 through CCA-4 provides the monthly calculation of the  
4 actual over/under-recovery of purchased power capacity costs, monthly  
5 calculation of the interest provision and additional details related to  
6 purchased power capacity contracts which also appear on Lines 1 and 2  
7 of Schedule CCA-2. In addition, Schedule A-12 of my Exhibit CSB-2  
8 contains purchased power capacity cost information for the period January  
9 2018 through December 2018.

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11 Q. What is the final purchased power capacity cost true-up amount related to  
12 the period of January 2018 through December 2018 to be addressed in  
13 the period January 2020 through December 2020?

14 A. An over-recovery amount of \$384,798 should be returned to customers  
15 through 2020 purchased power capacity clause rates as shown on  
16 Schedule CCA-1 of Exhibit CSB-1.

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18 Q. How was this amount calculated?

19 A. The \$384,798 was calculated by taking the difference between the  
20 estimated January 2018 through December 2018 over-recovery of  
21 \$1,187,593 and the actual over-recovery of \$1,572,391, which is the sum  
22 of lines 11, 12, and 15 under column 1 of Schedule 4 of Exhibit CSB-1.  
23 The estimated true-up amount for this period was approved in FPSC  
24 Order No. PSC-2018-0610-FOF-EI dated December 26, 2018.

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1 Additional details supporting the approved estimated true-up amount are  
2 included on Schedules CCE-1A and CCE-1B filed July 27, 2018.

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4 Q. During the period January 2018 through December 2018, how did Gulf's  
5 actual total purchased power capacity costs and jurisdictional capacity  
6 clause revenue compare with the actual/estimated amounts?

7 A. The actual total capacity payments for the period January 2018 through  
8 December 2018, as shown on line 5 of Schedule 4 contained in my Exhibit  
9 CSB-1, was \$76,438,831. Gulf's total estimated net purchased power  
10 capacity cost for the same period was \$76,317,948, as indicated on line 5  
11 of Schedule CCE-1B of my Exhibit CSB-2 filed July 27, 2018 in Docket  
12 No. 20180001-EI. The difference between the actual net capacity cost  
13 and the estimated net capacity cost for the recovery period is \$120,882 or  
14 0.2% more than the estimated amount. Jurisdictional capacity clause  
15 revenue for the period January 2018 through December 2018, as shown  
16 on line 10 of Schedule 4, was \$75,855,715, or \$495,714 higher than the  
17 estimate of \$75,360,001. Jurisdictional capacity clause revenue and  
18 expenses were essentially on budget with variances less than one percent  
19 for the period.

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21 Q. Mr. Boyett, does this complete your testimony?

22 A. Yes.

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1 GULF POWER COMPANY

2 Before the Florida Public Service Commission

3 Prepared Direct Testimony of

4 C. Shane Boyett

5 Docket No. 20190001-EI

6 July 26, 2019

7 Q. Please state your name and business address.

8 A. My name is Shane Boyett. My business address is One Energy Place,  
9 Pensacola, Florida 32520. I am the Regulatory, Forecasting and Pricing  
10 Manager for Gulf Power Company (Gulf or the Company).

11 Q. Have you previously filed testimony in this docket?

12 A. Yes, I provided direct testimony on March 1, 2019.

13  
14 Q. What is the purpose of your testimony in this docket?

15 A. The purpose of my testimony is to present the estimated true-up amounts  
16 for the period January 2019 through December 2019 for both the Fuel and  
17 Purchased Power Cost Recovery Clause and the Capacity Cost Recovery  
18 Clause. I will also compare Gulf Power Company's original projected fuel  
19 and net power transaction expense and purchased power capacity costs  
20 with current estimated/actual costs for the period January 2019 through  
21 December 2019 and summarize any variances in these areas. The  
22 current actual and estimated costs consist of actual expenses for the  
23 period January 2019 through June 2019 and projected costs for July 2019  
24 through December 2019.

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1 Q. Have you prepared any exhibits that contain information to which you will  
2 refer in your testimony?

3 A. Yes, I am sponsoring two exhibits. My first exhibit consists of 16 schedules  
4 that relate to the fuel and purchased power capacity estimated true-up  
5 schedules. My second exhibit contains the calculation of the purchased  
6 power capacity credit provision related to Scherer wholesale revenue  
7 (Scherer/Flint Credit) contained in the Stipulation and Settlement Agreement  
8 that resolved consolidated Docket Nos. 20160186-EI and 20160170-EI.

9 Counsel: We ask that Mr. Boyett's exhibits be marked  
10 as Exhibit Nos. \_\_\_\_ (CSB-3) and \_\_\_\_ (CSB-4).

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12 Q. Are you familiar with the Fuel and Purchased Power (Energy)  
13 estimated true-up calculations for the period January 2019 through  
14 December 2019, the Purchased Power Capacity Cost estimated true-up  
15 calculations for the period January 2019 through December 2019 and the  
16 Scherer/Flint Credit calculations as set forth in your exhibits?

17 A. Yes, these documents were prepared under my supervision.

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19 Q. Have you verified that to the best of your knowledge and belief, the  
20 information contained in these documents is correct?

21 A. Yes, I have. The actual data in these documents is taken from the books and  
22 records of Gulf Power Company. The books and records are kept in the  
23 regular course of business in accordance with generally accepted accounting  
24 principles and practices, and provisions of the Uniform System of Accounts as  
25 prescribed by the Commission.

1 **I. FUEL COST RECOVERY CLAUSE**

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3 Q. Mr. Boyett, what has Gulf calculated as the fuel cost recovery true-up  
4 factor to be applied in the period January 2020 through December 2020?

5 A. The fuel cost recovery true-up factor for this period is 0.0061 cents per  
6 kWh. As shown on Schedule E-1A, this calculation includes an estimated  
7 under-recovery for the January through December 2019 period of  
8 \$5,178,904. It also includes a final over-recovery for the January through  
9 December 2018 period of \$4,512,071 (see Schedule 1 of Exhibit CSB-1  
10 filed in this docket on March 1, 2019). The resulting total under-recovery  
11 of \$666,834 will be incorporated into Gulf's proposed 2020 fuel cost  
12 recovery factors.

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14 Q. Please explain the variances on Schedule E-1B-1.

15 A. Below is an explanation of key areas of Schedule E-1B-1 of my Exhibit  
16 CSB-3.

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18 Total Fuel and Net Power Transactions (Schedule E-1B-1, line 13)

19 Gulf's currently projected recoverable total fuel and net power transactions  
20 cost for the period is \$376,284,806, which is \$6,985,117, or 1.89% higher  
21 than the original projected amount of \$369,299,689. The higher total fuel  
22 and net power transactions cost for the period is attributed to higher fuel  
23 cost of generated power together with lower than expected revenue from  
24 power sales, partially offset by lower purchased power expense. The  
25 resulting average per unit fuel and net power transactions cost is estimated

1 to be 3.1828 cents per kWh, or 0.50% higher than the original projection of  
2 3.1670 cents per kWh.

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4 Total Cost of Generated Power (Schedule E-1B-1, line 4)

5 Gulf's currently projected recoverable total fuel cost of generated power for  
6 the twelve months ending December 2019 is \$274,733,590, which is  
7 \$14,381,006, or 5.52% above the original projected amount of  
8 \$260,352,584. Total generation is expected to be 8,918,709 MWh  
9 compared to the original projected generation of 8,760,506 MWh, or 1.81%  
10 above original projections. The resulting average fuel cost is expected to be  
11 3.0804 cents per kWh, or 3.65% above the original projected amount of  
12 2.9719 cents per kWh.

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14 The total fuel cost of system net generation for the first six months of 2019  
15 was \$114,355,513, which is \$2,172,991, or 1.94% higher than the projected  
16 cost of \$112,182,522. On a fuel cost per kWh basis, the actual cost was  
17 3.18 cents per kWh, which is 10.80% higher than the projected cost of 2.87  
18 cents per kWh. This higher than projected average cost of system  
19 generation was due to a lower than projected mix of lower-cost gas-fired  
20 generation for the period. This information is found on Schedule A-3, Period  
21 to Date, of the June 2019 Monthly Fuel Filing.

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23 The total cost of coal burned (including boiler lighter) for the first six months  
24 of 2019 was \$68,126,785, which is \$12,206,086, or 21.83% higher than the  
25 projection of \$55,920,699. Total coal-fired generation was 1,910,740 MWh,

1 which is 12.31% higher than the projection of 1,701,275 MWh for the period.  
2 On a fuel cost per kWh basis, the actual cost was 3.57 cents per kWh,  
3 which is 8.51% higher than the projected cost of 3.29 cents per kWh. The  
4 higher per kWh cost of coal-fired generation is due to actual coal prices  
5 (including boiler lighter) being 10.77% higher than projected on a \$/MMBtu  
6 basis, partially offset by the weighted average heat rate (Btu/kWh) of the  
7 coal-fired generating units that operated performing 2.18% better than  
8 projected. This information is found on Schedule A-3, Period to Date, of the  
9 June 2019 Monthly Fuel Filing.

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11 The total cost of natural gas burned for generation for the first six months of  
12 2019 was \$43,690,454, which is \$10,279,178, or 19.05% lower than Gulf's  
13 projection of \$53,969,632. The total gas-fired generation was 1,608,317  
14 MWh, which is 24.38% lower than the projection of 2,126,802 MWh for the  
15 period. Gulf's gas-fired generating units consumed 11,022,160 MMBtu, or  
16 23.33% less than the projected amount of 14,375,396 MMBtu during the  
17 period. On a cost per unit basis, the actual cost of gas-fired generation was  
18 2.72 cents per kWh, which is 7.09% higher than the projected cost of 2.54  
19 cents per kWh. The lower than projected total cost of natural gas is due to  
20 lower gas-fired generation(MWH). This information is found on Schedule A-  
21 3, Period to Date, of the June 2019 Monthly Fuel Filing.

22  
23 Total Fuel Cost and Gains on Power Sales (Schedule E-1B-1, line 12)

24 Gulf's currently projected recoverable fuel cost and gains on power sales for  
25 the twelve months ending December 2019 are \$101,489,520, or 3.58%

1 lower the original projected amount of \$105,253,229. Total power sales are  
2 expected to be 4,212,573 MWh, in comparison to the original projection of  
3 4,417,871 MWh, or 4.65% below projections. The currently projected price  
4 for the fuel cost and gains on power sales is 2.4092 cents per kWh, which is  
5 1.12% higher than the original projection of 2.3824 cents per kWh.

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7 The total fuel cost of power sold for the first six months of 2019 was  
8 \$31,092,839, which is \$10,866,948, or 25.90% lower than the projection of  
9 \$41,959,786. The quantity of power sales for the period was 33.75% lower  
10 than projected. The actual cost was 2.5244 cents per kWh, which is  
11 11.85% above the projected cost of 2.2570 cents per kWh. The lower than  
12 projected total power sales during the period is due to lower than projected  
13 quantities of sales for the period. This information is found on Schedule A-  
14 1, Period to Date, line 12 of the June 2019 Monthly Fuel Filing.

15  
16 Total Cost of Purchased Power (Schedule E-1B-1, line 7)

17 Gulf's currently projected recoverable fuel cost of purchased power for the  
18 twelve months ending December 2019 is \$203,040,737, or 5.21% below  
19 the original projected amount of \$214,200,334. The total amount of  
20 purchased power is expected to be 7,116,310 MWh, in comparison to the  
21 original projection of 7,318,073 MWh, or 2.76% below projections. The  
22 resulting average fuel cost of purchased power is expected to be 2.8532  
23 cents per kWh, or 2.52% below the original projected amount of 2.9270  
24 cents per kWh. The lower total fuel cost of purchased power is attributed  
25 to lower than projected quantities of purchased power for the period.

1 The total fuel cost of purchased power for the first six months of 2019 was  
2 \$99,213,477, which is \$5,593,307, or 5.34% lower than the original  
3 projection of \$104,806,784. The quantity of purchased power for the period  
4 was 238,209 MWh, or 6.75% lower than the original projection. The lower  
5 than projected purchased power expense is due to lower quantities of  
6 purchases made during the first half of 2019. On an average cost per kWh  
7 basis, the actual cost was 3.0168 cents per kWh, which is 1.52% higher  
8 than the projected cost of 2.9716 cents per kWh. This information is found  
9 on Schedule A-1, Period to Date, line 7 of the June 2019 Monthly Fuel  
10 Filing. A majority of Gulf's purchases are from energy or power purchase  
11 agreements (PPAs), which include contracts associated with a gas-fired  
12 generating unit and multiple renewable energy purchase agreements.

## 15 II. HEDGING

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17 Q. Please briefly discuss the status of Gulf's hedging program.

18 A. There has been no change in the status of Gulf's hedging program. Gulf's  
19 hedging program is currently subject to a moratorium pursuant to the Joint  
20 Stipulation and Agreement for Interim Resolution of Hedging Issues filed  
21 on October 24, 2016, in Docket No. 20160001-EI and approved by the  
22 Commission in Order No. PSC-16-0547-FOF-EI. Subsequently, on March  
23 20, 2017, Gulf filed a Stipulation and Settlement Agreement which  
24 resolved all issues in consolidated Docket Nos. 20160186-EI and  
25 20160170-EI. As part of the Stipulation and Settlement Agreement



1 approved by the Commission in Order No. PSC-17-0178-S-FOF-EI, the  
2 existing moratorium for new natural gas financial hedges shall continue  
3 until January 1, 2021. Accordingly, Gulf has not entered into any new  
4 financial natural gas hedges since the effective date of the stipulated  
5 moratorium.

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7 Q. For the period January 2019 through June 2019, what volume of natural  
8 gas was hedged using a fixed price contract or instrument?

9 A. Under previously-approved Risk Management Plans, Gulf Power  
10 financially hedged 2,700,000 MMBtu of natural gas for the period. This  
11 equates to 10% of the 26,638,836 MMBtu actual natural gas burn for Plant  
12 Smith Unit 3 and the Central Alabama PPA.

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14 Q. What types of hedging instruments were used by Gulf Power Company  
15 and what type and volume of fuel was hedged by each type of instrument?

16 A. Natural gas was hedged using financial swaps that fixed the price of gas  
17 to a certain price. The swaps settled against the monthly NYMEX  
18 settlement price. The total amount of gas hedged for the period was  
19 hedged using financial swaps.

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21 Q. What was the actual total cost (e.g., fees, commission, option premiums,  
22 futures gains and losses, swap settlements) associated with each type of  
23 hedging instrument?

24 A. No fees, commission, or option premiums were incurred. Gulf's gas  
25 hedging program generated hedging settlement costs of \$2,878,590 for the

1 period January through June 2019. This information is found on Schedule  
2 A-1, Period to Date, line 1a of the June 2019 Monthly Fuel Filing.

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5 **III. PURCHASED POWER CAPACITY**

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7 Q. Mr. Boyett, you stated earlier that you are responsible for the Purchased  
8 Power Capacity Cost (PPCC) true-up calculation. Which schedules of  
9 your Exhibit CSB-3 relate to the calculation of these factors?

10 A. Schedules CCE-1A, CCE-1B, CCE-2, CCE-3 and CCE-4 of my Exhibit  
11 CSB-3 relate to the Purchased Power Capacity Cost true-up calculation.

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13 Q. What has Gulf calculated as the purchased power capacity factor true-up  
14 to be applied in the period January 2020 through December 2020?

15 A. The true-up for this period is 0.0022 cents per kWh, as shown on  
16 Schedule CCE-1A. This calculation includes an estimated under-recovery  
17 of \$622,746 for January 2019 through December 2019. It also includes a  
18 final over-recovery of \$384,798 for the period January 2018 through  
19 December 2018 (see Schedule CCA-1 of Exhibit CSB-1 filed in this docket  
20 on March 1, 2019). The resulting total under-recovery of \$237,948 will be  
21 incorporated into Gulf Power's proposed 2020 purchased power capacity  
22 cost recovery factors.

1 Q. During the period January 2019 through December 2019, what is Gulf's  
2 projection of purchased power capacity costs and how does it compare  
3 with the original projection of capacity costs?

4 A. As shown on Schedule CCE-1B, lines 1 and 2, of Exhibit CSB-3, Gulf's total  
5 capacity payments projection for the January 2019 through December 2019  
6 recovery period is \$86,178,359. Gulf's original projection for the period was  
7 \$86,048,498 and is shown on lines 1 and 2 of Schedule CCE-1 filed August  
8 24, 2018. Gulf's capacity payments were on budget at 0.15%, or \$129,861  
9 higher than the original projection. Actual capacity costs during the first six  
10 months of 2019 were \$43,198,381 (Lines 1 & 2 of Schedule CCE-1B), which  
11 is \$129,678 higher than projected amount of \$43,068,703 for the period  
12 (from Lines 1 & 2 of Schedule CCE-1 filed August 24, 2018).

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14 Q. Please describe how the Stipulation and Settlement Agreement in  
15 consolidated Docket Nos. 20160186-EI and 20160170-EI is applied to the  
16 Capacity Clause as it relates to the portion of Gulf's ownership of Scherer  
17 Unit 3 that is still committed to a wholesale customer.

18 A. I have prepared Exhibit CSB-4 to present the calculation of Flint Electric  
19 Membership Corporation (Flint) wholesale contract revenue that was  
20 committed to retail customers pursuant to the relevant provisions of the  
21 approved Stipulation and Settlement agreement. The credit that is  
22 included in the PPCC is equal to total Flint revenue less the environmental  
23 cost recovery revenue requirements and fuel costs attributable to the  
24 portion of Scherer Unit 3 that is currently contracted to Flint through  
25 December 2019. The total estimated Scherer/Flint credit for 2019 is

1           \$8,722,800. The estimated Scherer/Flint Credit for the period January  
2           through December 2019, as shown on line 4 of Schedule CCE-1B of  
3           Exhibit CSB-3, has the effect of lowering retail capacity payments (line 5).  
4           The calculation of the credit, as presented in Exhibit CSB-4, is performed  
5           in accordance with the Stipulation and Settlement Agreement approved by  
6           Order No. PSC-17-0178-S-EI in the consolidated Docket Nos. 20160186-  
7           EI and 20160170-EI.

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9    Q.    Mr. Boyett, does this complete your testimony?

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1 GULF POWER COMPANY

2 Before the Florida Public Service Commission

3 Prepared Direct Testimony of

4 C. Shane Boyett

5 Docket No. 20190001-EI

6 Date of Filing: September 3, 2019

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8 Q. Please state your name, business address and occupation.

9 A. My name is Shane Boyett. My business address is One Energy Place,  
10 Pensacola, Florida 32520. I am the Regulatory, Forecasting and Pricing  
11 Manager for Gulf Power Company.

12 Q. Have you previously filed testimony before the Florida Public Service  
13 Commission (FPSC or Commission) in Docket No. 20190001-EI?

14 A. Yes, I have.

15 Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?

16 A. The purpose of my testimony is to discuss the projection of fuel expenses,  
17 net power transaction expense, and purchased power capacity costs for the  
18 period January 2020, through December 2020. I will also present the  
19 resulting calculation of Gulf Power's fuel cost recovery and purchased power  
20 capacity factors for the period January 2020 through December 2020.

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1 Q. Have you prepared any exhibits that contain information to which you will  
2 refer in your testimony?

3 A. Yes. I have three separate exhibits I am sponsoring as part of this testimony  
4 as shown below.

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6 Exhibit Number                      Summary

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8 CSB-5                                      23 schedules related to Fuel and  
9 Purchased Power Capacity Calculations

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11 CSB-6                                      Gulf Power Company's Hedging Information Report filed  
12 with the Commission Clerk on April 3, 2019, and  
13 assigned Document Numbers DN 03491-2019 (redacted)  
14 and 03495-2019 (confidential information). This exhibit  
15 details Gulf Power's natural gas hedging transactions for  
16 August 2018 through December 2018 in compliance with  
17 Order No. PSC-08-0316-PAA-EI.

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19 CSB-7                                      Gulf Power Company's Hedging Information Report filed  
20 with the Commission Clerk on August 9, 2019, and  
21 assigned Document Numbers DN 07298-2019 (redacted)  
22 and DN 07334-2019 (confidential information). This  
23 exhibit details Gulf Power's natural gas hedging  
24 transactions for January 2019 through July 2019 in  
25 compliance with Order No. PSC-08-0316-PAA-EI.

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Counsel: We ask that Mr. Boyett's exhibits as described be marked for identification as Exhibit Nos. \_\_\_\_ (CSB-5), \_\_\_\_ (CSB-6), and \_\_\_\_ (CSB-7).

Q. Have you verified that to the best of your knowledge and belief, the information contained in these documents is correct?

A. Yes, I have.

#### I. FUEL

Q. Please explain the calculation of the fuel and purchased power expense true-up amount included in the levelized fuel factor for the period January 2020 through December 2020.

A. As shown on Schedule E-1A of Exhibit CSB-5, the total true-up amount of \$666,834 includes an estimated under-recovery for the January 2019 through December 2019 period of \$5,178,904, in addition to a final over-recovery for the period January 2018 through December 2018 of \$4,512,071. The estimated under-recovery for the January 2019 through December 2019 period includes six months of actual data and six months of estimated data as reflected on Schedule E-1B of Exhibit CSB-5.

1 Q. What has been included in this filing to reflect the GPIF reward/penalty for the  
2 period of January 2018 through December 2018?

3 A. The GPIF result shown on Line 26 of Schedule E-1 is an increase of 0.0001  
4 cents per kWh to the levelized fuel factor, thereby rewarding Gulf \$10,384.

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6 Q. Has Gulf Power accounted for and returned all tax reform savings resulting  
7 from the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 and related Stipulation and  
8 Settlement Agreements?

9 A. Yes. Each of the respective provisions of the Stipulation and Settlement  
10 Agreements approved by this Commission through issuance of Order Nos.  
11 PSC-2018-0180-FOF-EI and PSC-2018-0548-S-EI in Docket No. 20180039-  
12 EI were implemented through fuel cost recovery rates spanning the period  
13 April 2018 through December 2019. There are no additional tax savings to be  
14 included in prospective fuel cost recovery rates.

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16 Q. What is the appropriate revenue tax factor to be applied in calculating the  
17 levelized fuel factor?

18 A. A revenue tax factor of 1.00072 has been applied to all jurisdictional fuel  
19 costs, as shown on Line 24 of Schedule E-1.

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1 Q. What is the levelized projected fuel factor for the period January 2020 through  
2 December 2020?

3 A. Gulf has proposed a levelized fuel factor of 3.244 cents per kWh. This factor  
4 is based on projected fuel and purchased power energy expenses and  
5 projected kWh sales for January 2020 through December 2020 and includes  
6 the true-up and GPIF amounts identified above.

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8 Q. Mr. Boyett, how were the line loss multipliers used on Schedule E-1E  
9 calculated?

10 A. The line loss multipliers were calculated in accordance with procedures  
11 approved in prior filings and were based on Gulf's latest MWh Load Flow  
12 Allocators.

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14 Q. Mr. Boyett, what fuel factor does Gulf propose for its largest group of  
15 customers (Group A), those on Rate Schedules RS, GS, GSD, and OS-III?

16 A. Gulf proposes a standard fuel factor, adjusted for line losses, of 3.262 cents  
17 per kWh for Group A. Fuel factors for Groups A, B, C, and D are shown on  
18 Schedule E-1E. These factors have all been adjusted for line losses.

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20 Q. Mr. Boyett, how were the time-of-use fuel factors calculated?

21 A. The time-of-use fuel factors were calculated based on projected loads and  
22 system lambdas for the period January 2020 through December 2020 and  
23 include the GPIF and true-up amount. These time-of-use fuel factors as  
24 shown on Schedule E-1E have all been adjusted for line losses.

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1 Q. How does the proposed fuel factor for Rate Schedule RS compare with the  
2 factor applicable to December 2019, and how would the change affect the  
3 cost of 1,000 kWh on Gulf's residential rate RS?

4 A. The current fuel factor for Rate Schedule RS applicable through December  
5 2019 is 3.047 cents per kWh compared with the proposed factor of 3.262  
6 cents per kWh. For a residential customer who is billed for 1,000 kWh in  
7 January 2020, the fuel portion of the bill would increase from \$30.47 to  
8 \$32.62.

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10 Q. Has Gulf updated its estimates of the as-available avoided energy costs to be  
11 shown on COG1 as required by Order No. 13247 issued May 1, 1984, in  
12 Docket No. 830377-EI and Order No. 19548 issued June 21, 1988, in Docket  
13 No. 880001-EI?

14 A. Yes. A tabulation of these costs is set forth in Schedule E-11 of my exhibit.  
15 These costs represent the estimated averages for the period from January  
16 2020 through December 2020. In addition, pursuant to Commission Order  
17 No. PSC-16-0119-TRF-EG in Docket No. 150248-EG, Gulf has calculated the  
18 bill credit for participants of the Community Solar Pilot Program to be \$1.68  
19 per month based on the 2020 projected solar-weighted average annual  
20 avoided energy cost of 2.7 cents per kWh.

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1 Q. What amount have you calculated to be the appropriate benchmark level for  
2 calendar year 2020 gains on non-separated wholesale energy sales eligible  
3 for a shareholder incentive?

4 A. In accordance with Order No. PSC-00-1744-PAA-EI, an estimated three-year  
5 average benchmark level has been calculated as follows:

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7 2017 actual gains 1,988,936

8 2018 actual gains 589,410

9 2019 estimated gains 123,369

10 Three-Year Average \$900,572

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12 This amount represents the minimum projected threshold for 2020 that must  
13 be achieved before shareholders may receive any incentive. As  
14 demonstrated on Schedule E-6, page 2 of 2, Gulf's projection reflects a  
15 credit to customers of 100% of the gains on non-separated sales for 2020.

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17 Total Fuel and Net Power Transactions

18 Q. What is Gulf's projected recoverable total fuel and net power transactions  
19 cost for the January 2020 through December 2020 recovery period?

20 A. Gulf's projected total fuel and net power transactions cost for the period is  
21 \$353,910,537 as shown on Schedule E-1 line 15 of Exhibit CSB-5.

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1 Q. How does the total projected fuel and net power transactions cost for the  
2 2020 period compare to the updated projection of fuel cost for the same  
3 period in 2019?

4 A. The total updated cost of fuel and net power transactions for 2019, reflected  
5 on Schedule E-1B-1 line 13 of Exhibit CSB-3 filed in this docket on July 26,  
6 2019, is projected to be \$376,284,806. The projected total cost of fuel and  
7 net power transactions for the 2020 period reflects a decrease of \$22,374,269  
8 or 5.95% lower than the same period in 2019. On a fuel cost per kWh basis,  
9 the 2019 projected cost is 3.1828 cents per kWh, and the 2020 projected fuel  
10 cost is 3.0700 cents per kWh, a decrease of 0.1128 cents per kWh or 3.54%.

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12 Total Cost of Generated Power

13 Q. What is Gulf's projected recoverable total fuel cost of generated power for the  
14 period?

15 A. The projected total cost of fuel to meet system generated power needs in  
16 2020 as shown in Exhibit CSB-5, Schedule E-1, line 4 is \$266,767,756.

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18 Q. How does the projected total fuel cost of generated power for the 2020 period  
19 compare to the updated projection of fuel cost for the same period in 2019?

20 A. The total updated cost of fuel to meet 2019 system generated power needs,  
21 reflected on Schedule E-1B-1, line 4 of CSB-3 filed in this docket on July 26,  
22 2019, is projected to be \$274,733,590. The projected total cost of fuel to  
23 meet system net generation needs for the 2020 period reflects a decrease of  
24 \$7,965,834 or 2.90% less than the same period in 2019. Total system net  
25 generation in 2020 is projected to be 9,374,344 MWh, which is 455,635 MWh

1 or 5.11% higher than projected for 2019. The lower projected total fuel  
2 expense is primarily the result of lower estimated hedging settlement costs for  
3 the period as Gulf's hedge ratio approaches zero in the first quarter of 2020  
4 and fuel savings related to the addition of Gulf's first utility-scale solar project  
5 going into service in January 2020. On a fuel cost per kWh basis, the 2019  
6 projected cost is 3.0804 cents per kWh, and the 2020 projected fuel cost is  
7 2.8457 cents per kWh, a decrease of 0.2347 cents per kWh or 7.62%.

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9 Weighted average coal burned price including boiler lighter fuel for 2019 as  
10 reflected on Schedule E-3, line 32 of my Exhibit CSB-3 filed in this docket on  
11 July 26, 2019, is projected to be \$3.03 per MMBtu. Weighted average coal  
12 burned price including boiler lighter fuel for 2020, as reflected on Schedule E-  
13 3, line 34 is projected to be \$3.00 per MMBtu. These figures reflect a cost  
14 decrease of \$0.03 per MMBtu or 0.99%. The weighted average natural gas  
15 price for 2019, as reflected on Schedule E-3, line 33 of the exhibit to my  
16 testimony filed in this docket on July 26, 2019, is projected to be \$3.57 per  
17 MMBtu. The weighted average natural gas price for 2020, as reflected on  
18 Schedule E-3, line 35 is projected to be \$3.39 per MMBtu. This is a decrease  
19 in price of \$0.18 per MMBtu or 5.04%.

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21 As reflected on Schedule E-3, lines 42 and 43, the projected fuel cost of  
22 Gulf's coal-fired generation is 3.28 cents per kWh, and the projected fuel cost  
23 of Gulf's gas-fired generation is 2.68 cents per kWh for the 2020 period.

1 Fuel Cost and Gains on Power Sales

2 Q. What are Gulf's projected recoverable fuel cost and gains on power sales for  
3 the 2020 period?

4 A. Gulf's projected recoverable fuel cost and gains on power sales is  
5 \$129,226,624 as shown on Schedule E-1, line 13.

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7 Q. How does the total projected recoverable fuel cost and gains on power sales  
8 for the 2020 period compare to the projected recoverable fuel cost and gains  
9 on power sales for the same period in 2019?

10 A. The total updated recoverable fuel cost and gains on power sales in 2019,  
11 reflected on Schedule E-1B-1, line 12 of my exhibit filed in this docket on July  
12 26, 2019, is projected to be \$101,489,520. The projected recoverable fuel  
13 cost and gains on power sales in 2020 represents an increase of \$27,737,104  
14 or 27.33%. Total quantity of power sales in 2020 is projected to be 5,407,380  
15 MWh, which is 1,194,807 MWh or 28.36% higher than currently projected for  
16 2019. On a fuel cost per kWh basis, the 2019 projected cost is 2.4092 cents  
17 per kWh, and the 2020 projected fuel cost is 2.3898 cents per kWh, which is a  
18 decrease of 0.0194 cents per kWh or 0.81%. The higher total credit to fuel  
19 expense from power sales is attributed to a higher projected quantity of power  
20 sales from units operating to meet incremental system loads.

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22 Total Cost of Purchased Power

23 Q. What is Gulf's projected total cost of purchased power for the period?

24 A. Gulf's projected recoverable cost for energy purchases is \$216,369,405 as  
25 shown on Schedule E-1, line 8.

1 Q. How does the total projected purchased power cost for the 2020 period  
2 compare to the projected purchased power cost for the same period in 2019?

3 A. The total updated cost of purchased power to meet 2019 system needs,  
4 reflected on Schedule E-1B-1, line 7 of my testimony filed in this docket on  
5 July 26, 2019, is projected to be \$203,040,737. The projected cost of  
6 purchased power to meet system needs in 2020 is an increase of  
7 \$13,328,668 or 6.56% higher than currently projected for 2019. The total  
8 quantity of purchased power in 2020 is projected to be 7,560,995 MWh, which  
9 is 444,685 MWh or 6.25% higher than is currently projected for 2019. On a  
10 fuel cost per kWh basis, the 2019 projected cost is 2.8532 cents per kWh,  
11 and the 2020 projected fuel cost is 2.8617 cents per kWh, which represents  
12 an increase of 0.0085 cents per kWh or 0.30%. The higher total cost of  
13 purchased power is attributed to a higher projected quantity of purchased  
14 power energy to meet system loads.

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## II. FUEL PROCUREMENT

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19 Q. Does the 2020 projection of fuel cost of net generation reflect any major  
20 changes in Gulf's fuel procurement program for this period?

21 A. No. There have been no major changes in Gulf's fuel procurement program  
22 for the 2020 period. Gulf Power's coal requirements are purchased in the  
23 market through the Request for Proposal (RFP) process that has been used  
24 for many years. Natural gas requirements will be purchased from various  
25 suppliers using firm quantity agreements with market pricing for base needs

1 and on the daily spot market when necessary. Natural gas transportation will  
2 be secured using a combination of firm and spot transportation agreements.

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4 Q. What actions does Gulf take to procure natural gas and natural gas  
5 transportation for its units at competitive prices for both long-term and short-  
6 term deliveries?

7 A. Gulf procures natural gas using both long and short-term agreements for gas  
8 supply at market-based prices. Gulf secures gas transportation for non-  
9 peaking units using long-term agreements for firm pipeline capacity  
10 and for peaking units using interruptible transportation, released seasonal firm  
11 transportation, or delivered natural gas agreements.

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14 **III. HEDGING**

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16 Q. Has anything changed with regard to the status of Gulf's hedging program  
17 since filing testimony on July 26, 2019, in this docket?

18 A. There has been no change in the status of Gulf's hedging program.  
19 However, actual hedging settlement data has become available for the  
20 month of July 2019 and is included in my Exhibit CSB-7 as previously filed  
21 with this Commission on August 9, 2019.

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24 Q. What are the results of Gulf's natural gas price hedging program for the  
25 period August 2018 through July 2019?



1 A. Gulf had financial hedges in place during the period to hedge the price of  
2 natural gas. These financial hedges have been effective in fixing the price of  
3 a percentage of Gulf's gas burn during the period. Between August 2018  
4 and July 2019, Gulf recorded hedging settlement costs of \$6,679,150.  
5 Pursuant to Order No. PSC-08-0316-PAA-EI, Gulf filed Hedging Information  
6 Reports with the Commission on April 3, 2019, and August 9, 2019, detailing  
7 its natural gas hedging transactions for August 2018 through July 2019. I am  
8 sponsoring these reports as Exhibits CSB-6 and CSB-7 to my testimony in  
9 this docket.

#### 12 IV. PURCHASED POWER CAPACITY

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14 Q. You stated earlier that you are responsible for the calculation of the purchased  
15 power capacity cost (PPCC) recovery factors. Which of your exhibits relate to  
16 the calculation of these factors?

17 A. Schedule CCE-1, including CCE-1A and CCE-1B, Schedule CCE-2, and  
18 Schedule CCE-4 of my Exhibit CSB-5 relate to the calculation of the PPCC  
19 recovery factors for the period January 2020 through December 2020.

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21 Q. Please describe Schedule CCE-1 of your exhibit.

22 A. Schedule CCE-1 shows the calculation of jurisdictional capacity costs to be  
23 recovered through the PPCC Recovery Clause. Lines 1 through 3 show Gulf's  
24 projected net capacity expense, which includes a credit for transmission  
25 revenue. The total net projected capacity costs are applied to a jurisdictional

1 factor and added to the total true-up which is then adjusted for revenue taxes to  
2 determine the amount to be recovered in the period through PPCC recovery  
3 factors.

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5 Q. What jurisdictional factor was used to calculate projected recoverable  
6 capacity costs for the period January 2020 through December 2020?

7 A. The PPCC jurisdictional factors applied in the calculation of jurisdictional net  
8 purchased power capacity costs is 97.23427 percent, which is based upon  
9 Gulf Power's 2018 Cost of Service Load Research Study results filed with the  
10 Commission in accordance with Rule 25-6.0437, F.A.C. This approach is  
11 consistent with past jurisdictional allocations in the PPCC Recovery Clause.  
12 The existing wholesale generation services agreement between Gulf Power  
13 Company and Florida Public Utilities Company (FPU) will expire on  
14 December 31, 2019, however, on August 12, 2019, Gulf Power and FPU  
15 executed a new stratified wholesale agreement that will commence on  
16 January 1, 2020, if approved. In order to implement a stratified allocation of  
17 costs between the retail and wholesale jurisdiction consistent with the new  
18 contract structure, considerable work by Gulf Power to stratify costs and  
19 derive appropriate stratified jurisdictional factors must be completed. Gulf  
20 currently estimates this work will be completed before 2020 final true-up  
21 calculations are filed with the Commission. Subject to the foregoing  
22 determination of stratified jurisdictional factors, any eventual over or under  
23 recovery of costs due to changes in jurisdictional allocations will be handled  
24 through the normal true-up process.

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1 Q. What is the appropriate revenue tax factor to be applied in calculating the  
2 total recoverable capacity payments?

3 A. A revenue tax factor of 1.00072 has been applied to all jurisdictional  
4 purchased power capacity costs, as shown on Line 10 of Schedule  
5 CCE-1.  
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7 Q. What methodology was used to allocate the capacity payments by rate class?

8 A. As required by Commission Order No. 25773 in Docket No. 910794-EQ, the  
9 revenue requirements have been allocated using the cost of service  
10 methodology approved by the Commission in Order No. PSC 17-0178-S-EI in  
11 consolidated Docket Nos. 160186-EI and 160170-EI. This allocation is  
12 consistent with the treatment accorded to production plant in the cost of  
13 service study approved by the Commission in Gulf's most recent base rate  
14 proceeding. For purposes of the PPCC Recovery Clause, Gulf has allocated  
15 the net purchased power capacity costs by rate class within the retail  
16 jurisdiction based on the 12-MCP and 1/13<sup>th</sup> energy allocator.  
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18 Q. How were the rate class allocation factors used in the PPCC Recovery  
19 Clause calculated?

20 A. The rate class demand allocation factors used in the PPCC Recovery Clause  
21 have been calculated using the 2018 Cost of Service Load Research Study  
22 results filed with the Commission in accordance with Rule 25-6.0437, F.A.C.  
23 and adjusted for losses. The rate class energy allocation factors were  
24 calculated based on projected kWh sales for the period and adjusted for losses.  
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1 The calculations of the allocation factors are shown in columns A through I on  
2 page 1 of Schedule CCE-2.

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4 Q. Please describe the calculation of the PPCC recovery factors by rate class  
5 used to recover purchased power capacity costs.

6 A. As shown in columns A through D on page 2 of Schedule CCE-2, 12/13th of the  
7 jurisdictional capacity cost to be recovered is allocated by rate class based on  
8 the demand allocator. The remaining 1/13th is allocated based on energy.

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10 Gulf has calculated the PPCC factor for the LP/LPT rate classes based on  
11 kilowatt (kW) rather than kilowatt hour (kWh) in accordance with Order No.  
12 PSC-13-0670-S-EI issued December 9, 2013, in Docket No. 130140-EI. The  
13 total revenue requirement assigned to rate class LP/LPT shown in column E is  
14 then divided by the sum of the projected billing demands (kW) for the twelve-  
15 month period to calculate the PPCC recovery factor. This factor would be  
16 applied to each LP/LPT customer's billing demand (kW) to calculate the amount  
17 to be billed each month.

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19 For all other rate classes, the total revenue requirement assigned to each rate  
20 class shown in column E is then divided by that class's projected kWh sales for  
21 the twelve-month period to calculate the PPCC recovery factor. This factor  
22 would be applied to each customer's total kWh to calculate the amount to be  
23 billed each month.

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1 Q. What is the amount related to purchased power capacity costs recovered  
2 through this factor that will be included on a residential customer's bill for  
3 1,000 kWh?

4 A. The purchased power capacity costs recovered through the clause for a  
5 residential customer who is billed for 1,000 kWh will be \$8.78.  
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7 Q. What is Gulf's projected recoverable capacity payments for the 2020 cost  
8 recovery period?

9 A. The total recoverable capacity payments for the period are \$83,785,002. This  
10 amount is captured in the Schedule CCE-1, line 11. Schedule CCE-4 shows  
11 the projected cost associated with the Southern Intercompany Interchange  
12 capacity, if applicable, and any long-term purchased power contracts that are  
13 included for capacity cost recovery and lists their associated capacity  
14 amounts in megawatts. Also included in Gulf's 2020 projection of capacity  
15 cost is revenue produced by a market-based agreement between the  
16 Southern electric system operating companies and South Carolina PSA  
17 (Public Service Authority). The total capacity cost of \$85,867,467 is shown  
18 on Schedule CCE-4, line 14. The total capacity costs included on Schedule  
19 CCE-4 line 14 is the sum of lines 1 and 2 of Schedule CCE-1.  
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21 Q. Have there been any new purchased power agreements entered into by Gulf  
22 that impact the total recoverable capacity payments for the period?

23 A. No.  
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1 Q. What other projected revenues or credits has Gulf included in its capacity cost  
2 recovery clause for the period?

3 A. Gulf has included an estimate of transmission revenues associated with off-  
4 system economy sales in the amount of \$6,000 in its capacity cost recovery  
5 projection. This amount is captured on Schedule CCE-1, line 3 of my Exhibit  
6 CSB-5.

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8 Q. Have there been any other notable changes to the projected recoverable  
9 capacity costs for the period January 2020 through December 2020?

10 A. Yes. The ratemaking adjustment I have referred to in previous testimony as  
11 the "Scherer/Flint credit" will cease at the end of December 2019 when the  
12 long-term wholesale contract with Flint EMC expires on December 31, 2019.  
13 As a result, the Scherer/Flint revenue credits associated with the Flint  
14 contract are no longer available to retail customers through reductions to the  
15 recoverable purchased power capacity cost recovery rates beginning in 2020.  
16 The end of this ratemaking treatment was contemplated by the Stipulation  
17 and Settlement Agreement approved by FPSC Order No. PSC-17-0178-S-EI.

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19 Q. How do the total projected net jurisdictional capacity payments for the 2020  
20 period compare to the current estimated net jurisdictional capacity payments  
21 for the same period in 2019?

22 A. Gulf's 2020 Projected Jurisdictional Capacity Payments, found on Schedule  
23 CCE-1, line 7, are \$83,486,772. This amount is \$8,219,096 or 10.92% more  
24 than the current estimate of \$75,267,676 (Schedule CCE-1B, line 7) for 2019  
25 that was filed in my actual/estimated true-up testimony in this docket on July

1 26, 2019. The higher projected jurisdictional capacity payments for 2020 are  
2 attributed to the expiration of the Flint EMC wholesale agreement and  
3 resulting Scherer/Flint revenue credits which are projected to be \$8,722,800  
4 for the updated 2019 period.

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6 Q. When does Gulf propose to collect these new fuel charges and purchased  
7 power capacity charges?

8 A. The fuel and capacity recovery factors will be effective beginning with the first  
9 billing cycle in January 2020 and continuing through the last billing cycle of  
10 December 2020.

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12 Q. Mr. Boyett, does this conclude your testimony?

13 A. Yes.

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## 1 GULF POWER COMPANY

2 Before the Florida Public Service Commission  
3 Prepared Direct Testimony of  
4 C. L. Nicholson  
5 Docket No. 20190001-EI  
6 Date of Filing: March 15, 2019

7 Q. Please state your name, address, and occupation.

8 A. My name is Cody L. Nicholson. My business address is One Energy Place,  
9 Pensacola, Florida 32520-0335. My current job position is Senior Power  
10 Generation Department Technical Services Specialist for Gulf Power Company.

11 Q. Please describe your educational and business background.

12 A. I received my Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering from  
13 Auburn University in 1998. I joined Southern Company with Alabama Power in  
14 1996 as a summer intern. Upon graduation in 1998, I joined Southern  
15 Company Services (SCS), a subsidiary of Southern Company. During my time  
16 at SCS, I worked in Farley Project and in Generating Plant Performance  
17 (GPP), where I progressed through various engineering positions with  
18 increasing responsibilities. My primary responsibility in Farley Project was to  
19 coordinate design changes to Plant Farley. My primary responsibility in GPP  
20 was to conduct heat rate tests and performance tests on plant equipment. I  
21 joined Southern Nuclear Operating Company (SNC) in 2011. At SNC, my  
22 primary responsibility was to coordinate responses to requests from the U. S.  
23 Nuclear Regulatory Commission for various projects. I joined SCS in 2014 as  
24 a Performance and Reliability Engineer, where my primary responsibility was  
25 to report key performance indicators on a monthly basis.

1 I joined Gulf Power in 2015 in my current job position as Senior Power  
2 Generation Department Technical Services Specialist as previously  
3 mentioned in my testimony. In this position, I am responsible for preparing  
4 all Generating Performance Incentive Factor (GPIF) filings as well as other  
5 generating plant reliability and heat rate performance reporting for Gulf  
6 Power Company.

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8 Q. What is the purpose of your testimony in this proceeding?

9 A. The purpose of my testimony is to present GPIF results for Gulf Power  
10 Company for the period of January 1, 2018, through December 31, 2018.

11  
12 Q. Have you prepared an exhibit that contains information to which you will  
13 refer in your testimony?

14 A. Yes. I have prepared an exhibit consisting of five schedules.

15 Counsel: We ask that Mr. Nicholson's Exhibit  
16 consisting of five schedules be marked  
17 as Exhibit No. \_\_\_\_\_ (CLN-1).

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19 Q. Is there any information that has been supplied to the Commission  
20 pertaining to this GPIF period that requires amendment?

21 A. Yes. Some corrections have been made to the actual unit performance  
22 data, which was submitted monthly to the Commission during this time  
23 period. These corrections are based on discoveries made during the final  
24 data review to ensure the accuracy of the information reported in this filing.  
25 The actual unit performance data tables on pages 13 through 22 of

1 Schedule 5 of my exhibit incorporate these changes. The data contained  
2 in these tables is the data upon which the GPIF calculations were made.

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4 Q. Please review the Company's equivalent availability results for the period.

5 A. Actual equivalent availability and adjusted actual equivalent availability  
6 figures for each of the Company's GPIF units are shown on page 12 of  
7 Schedule 5. Pages 3 through 7 of Schedule 2 contain the calculations for  
8 the adjusted actual equivalent availabilities.

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10 A calculation of GPIF availability points based on these availabilities and  
11 the targets established by FPSC Order No. PSC-2018-0610-FOF-EI is on  
12 page 8 of Schedule 2. The results are: Scherer 3, -10.00 points; Crist 7,  
13 -10.00 points; Daniel 1, -10.00 points; Daniel 2, -10.00 points; and Smith  
14 3, -10.00 points.

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16 Q. What were the heat rate results for the period?

17 A. The detailed calculations of the actual average net operating heat rates for  
18 the Company's GPIF units are on pages 2 through 6 of Schedule 3.

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20 As was done for the prior GPIF periods, and as indicated on pages 7  
21 through 11 of Schedule 3, the target equations were used to adjust actual  
22 results to the target basis. These equations, submitted in September 2017,  
23 are shown on page 13 of Schedule 3. As calculated on page 14 of  
24 Schedule 3, the adjusted actual average net operating heat rates  
25 correspond to the following GPIF unit heat rate points:

1 Scherer 3, 0.00 points; Crist 7, 0.00 points; Daniel 1, 2.44 points;  
2 Daniel 2, 6.68 points, and Smith 3, 0.00 points.

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4 Q. What number of Company points was achieved during the period, and what  
5 reward or penalty is indicated by these points according to the GPIF  
6 procedure?

7 A. Using the unit equivalent availability and heat rate points previously  
8 mentioned, along with the appropriate weighting factors, the number of  
9 Company points achieved was 0.02 as indicated on page 2 of Schedule 4.  
10 This calculated to a reward in the amount of \$10,384.

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12 Q. Please summarize your testimony.

13 A. In view of the adjusted actual equivalent availabilities, as shown on page 8  
14 of Schedule 2, and the adjusted actual average net operating heat rates  
15 achieved, as shown on page 14 of Schedule 3, evidencing the Company's  
16 performance for the period, Gulf calculates a reward in the amount of  
17 \$10,384 as provided for by the GPIF plan.

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19 Q. Does this conclude your testimony?

20 A. Yes.

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## 1 GULF POWER COMPANY

2 Before the Florida Public Service Commission  
3 Direct Testimony and Exhibit of

4 C. L. Nicholson

5 Docket No. 20190001-EI

6 Date of Filing: September 3, 2019

7 Q. Please state your name, address, and occupation.

8 A. My name is Cody L. Nicholson. My business address is One Energy  
9 Place, Pensacola, Florida 32520-0335. My current job position is Senior  
10 Power Generation Division Technical Services Specialist for Gulf Power  
11 Company.

12 Q. Please describe your educational and business background.

13 A. I received my Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering from  
14 Auburn University in 1998. I joined Southern Company with Alabama  
15 Power in 1996 as a summer intern. Upon graduation in 1998, I joined  
16 Southern Company Services (SCS), a subsidiary of Southern Company.  
17 During my time at SCS, I worked in the Farley Project department as well  
18 as Generating Plant Performance (GPP), where I progressed through  
19 various engineering positions with increasing responsibilities. My primary  
20 responsibility in the Farley Project was to coordinate design changes to  
21 Plant Farley. My primary responsibility in GPP was to conduct heat rate  
22 tests and performance tests on plant equipment. I joined Southern  
23 Nuclear Operating Company (SNC) in 2011. At SNC, my primary  
24 responsibility was to coordinate responses to requests from the U. S.  
25 Nuclear Regulatory Commission for various projects. I joined SCS in

1 2014 as a Performance and Reliability Engineer, where my primary  
2 responsibility was to report key performance indicators on a monthly  
3 basis. I joined Gulf Power in 2015 in my current job position as Senior  
4 Power Generation Division Technical Services Specialist as previously  
5 mentioned in my testimony. In this position, I am responsible for preparing  
6 all Generating Performance Incentive Factor (GPIF) filings as well as other  
7 generating plant reliability and heat rate performance reporting for Gulf  
8 Power Company.

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10 Q. What is the purpose of your testimony in this proceeding?

11 A. The purpose of my testimony is to present GPIF targets for Gulf Power Company  
12 for the period of January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020.

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14 Q. Have you prepared an exhibit that contains information to which you will  
15 refer in your testimony?

16 A. Yes. I have prepared one exhibit entitled CLN-2 consisting of three  
17 schedules.

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19 Q. Was this exhibit prepared by you or under your direction and supervision?

20 A. Yes, it was.

21 Counsel: We ask that Mr. Nicholson's exhibit consisting  
22 of three schedules be marked for identification  
23 as Exhibit\_\_\_(CLN-2).

1 Q. Which units does Gulf propose to include under the GPIF for the subject  
2 period?

3 A. We propose that Crist Unit 7, Daniel Units 1 and 2, Smith Unit 3, and  
4 Scherer Unit 3 be included as the Company's GPIF units. The projected  
5 net generation from these units is approximately 88% of Gulf's projected  
6 net generation for 2020.

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8 Q. For these units, what are the target heat rates Gulf proposes to use in the  
9 GPIF for these units for the performance period January 1, 2020 through  
10 December 31, 2020?

11 A. I would like to refer you to page 26 of Schedule 1 of my exhibit where these  
12 targets are listed.

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14 Q. How were these proposed target heat rates determined?

15 A. They were determined according to the GPIF Implementation Manual  
16 procedures for Gulf.

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18 Q. Describe how the targets were determined for Gulf's proposed GPIF units.

19 A. Page 2 of Schedule 1 of my exhibit shows the target average net  
20 operating heat rate equations for the proposed GPIF units and pages 4  
21 through 23 of Schedule 1 contain the weekly historical data used for the  
22 statistical development of these equations. Pages 24 and 25 of Schedule  
23 1 present the calculations that provide the unit target heat rates from the  
24 target equations.

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1 Q. Were the maximum and minimum attainable heat rates for each proposed  
2 GPIF unit indicated on page 26 of Schedule 1 of your exhibit calculated  
3 according to the appropriate GPIF Implementation Manual procedures?

4 A. Yes.

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6 Q. What are the proposed target, maximum, and minimum equivalent  
7 availabilities for Gulf's units?

8 A. The target, maximum, and minimum equivalent availabilities are listed on  
9 page 4 of Schedule 2 of my exhibit.

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11 Q. How were the target equivalent availabilities determined?

12 A. The target equivalent availabilities were determined according to the  
13 standard GPIF Implementation Manual procedures for Gulf and are  
14 presented on page 2 of Schedule 2 of my exhibit.

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16 Q. How were the maximum and minimum attainable equivalent availabilities  
17 determined for each unit?

18 A. The maximum and minimum attainable equivalent availabilities, which are  
19 presented along with their respective target availabilities on page 4 of  
20 Schedule 2 of my exhibit, were determined per GPIF Implementation  
21 Manual procedures for Gulf.

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1 Q. Mr. Nicholson, has Gulf completed the GPIF minimum filing requirements  
2 data package?

3 A. Yes, we have completed the minimum filing requirements data package.  
4 Schedule 3 of my exhibit contains this information.

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6 Q. Mr. Nicholson, would you please summarize your testimony?

7 A. Yes. Gulf asks that the Commission accept:

- 8 1. Crist Unit 7, Daniel Units 1 and 2, Smith Unit 3, and Scherer Unit 3 for  
9 inclusion under the GPIF for the period of January 1, 2020 through  
10 December 31, 2020.
- 11 2. The target, maximum attainable, and minimum attainable average net  
12 operating heat rates, as proposed by the Company and as shown on  
13 page 26 of Schedule 1 and also on page 5 of Schedule 3 of my exhibit.
- 14 3. The target, maximum attainable, and minimum attainable equivalent  
15 availabilities, as proposed by the Company and as shown on page 4 of  
16 Schedule 2 and also on page 5 of Schedule 3 of my exhibit.
- 17 4. The weekly average net operating heat rate least squares regression  
18 equations, shown on page 2 of Schedule 1 and on pages 17 through  
19 26 of Schedule 3 of my exhibit, for use in adjusting the annual actual  
20 unit heat rates to target conditions.

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22 Q. Mr. Nicholson, does this conclude your testimony?

23 A. Yes.

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1                                   **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

2                                   **PREPARED DIRECT TESTIMONY**

3                                   **OF**

4                                   **PENELOPE A. RUSK**

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6   **Q.**   Please state your name, address, occupation and employer.

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8   **A.**   My name is Penelope A. Rusk. My business address is 702  
9           North Franklin Street, Tampa, Florida 33602. I am employed  
10          by Tampa Electric Company ("Tampa Electric" or "company")  
11          in the position of Manager, Rates in the Regulatory  
12          Affairs Department.

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14   **Q.**   Please provide a brief outline of your educational  
15          background and business experience.

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17   **A.**   I hold a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics from the  
18          University of New Orleans and a Master of Arts degree in  
19          Economics from the University of South Florida. I joined  
20          Tampa Electric in 1997, as an Economist in the Load  
21          Forecasting Department. In 2000, I joined the Regulatory  
22          Affairs Department, and during my tenure there I assumed  
23          positions of increasing responsibility. I have over 20  
24          years of electric utility experience, including load  
25          forecasting, managing cost recovery clauses, project

1 management, and rate setting activities for wholesale and  
2 retail rate cases. My current position is Manager, Rates,  
3 and my responsibilities include managing cost recovery  
4 for fuel and purchased power, interchange sales, capacity  
5 payments, and approved environmental projects.

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7 **Q.** What is the purpose of your testimony?

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9 **A.** The purpose of my testimony is to present, for the  
10 Commission's review and approval, the final true-up  
11 amounts for the period January 2018 through December 2018  
12 for the Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Recovery Clause  
13 ("Fuel Clause") and the Capacity Cost Recovery Clause  
14 ("Capacity Clause"), as well as the Optimization  
15 Mechanism gain sharing allocation for the period.

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17 **Q.** What is the source of the data which you will present by  
18 way of testimony or exhibit in this process?

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20 **A.** Unless otherwise indicated, the actual data is taken from  
21 the books and records of Tampa Electric. The books and  
22 records are kept in the regular course of business in  
23 accordance with generally accepted accounting principles  
24 and practices and provisions of the Uniform System of  
25 Accounts as prescribed by the Florida Public Service

1 Commission ("Commission").

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3 **Q.** Have you prepared an exhibit in this proceeding?

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5 **A.** Yes. Exhibit No. PAR-1, consisting of five documents which  
6 are described later in my testimony, was prepared under  
7 my direction and supervision.

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9 **Capacity Cost Recovery Clause**

10 **Q.** What is the final true-up amount for the Capacity Clause  
11 for the period January 2018 through December 2018?

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13 **A.** The final true-up amount for the Capacity Clause for the  
14 period January 2018 through December 2018 is an under-  
15 recovery of \$0, if the Commission approves the company's  
16 petition for mid-course correction for capacity factors  
17 submitted in Docket No. 20190001-EI on January 15, 2019.  
18 Tampa Electric proposed to include the actual 2018 end of  
19 period under-recovery amount of \$5,458,886 in its 2019  
20 mid-course factors.

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22 **Q.** Please describe Document No. 1 of your exhibit.

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24 **A.** Document No. 1, page 1 of 4, entitled "Tampa Electric  
25 Company Capacity Cost Recovery Clause Calculation of

1 Final True-up Variances for the Period January 2018  
2 Through December 2018," provides the calculation for the  
3 final under-recovery of \$0. The actual capacity cost  
4 under-recovery, including interest, was \$5,458,886 for  
5 the period January 2018 through December 2018 as  
6 identified in Document No. 1, pages 1 and 2 of 4. This  
7 amount, less the \$5,458,886 under-recovery included in  
8 the company's January 15, 2019 petition for mid-course  
9 correction submitted in Docket No. 20190001-EI, results  
10 in a final under-recovery of \$0 for the period, as  
11 identified in Document No. 1, page 4 of 4.

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13 **Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Recovery Clause**

14 **Q.** What is the final true-up amount for the Fuel Clause for  
15 the period January 2018 through December 2018?

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17 **A.** The final Fuel Clause true-up for the period January 2018  
18 through December 2018 is an under-recovery of  
19 \$43,986,397. The actual fuel cost under-recovery,  
20 including interest, was \$36,970,912 for the period  
21 January 2018 through December 2018. This \$36,970,912  
22 amount, less the \$7,015,485 projected over-recovery  
23 amount approved in Order No. PSC-2018-0610-FOF-EI, issued  
24 December 26, 2018 in Docket No. 20180001-EI, results in  
25 a net under-recovery amount for the period of \$43,986,397.

1     **Q.**    What is the estimated effect of the \$43,986,397 under-  
2            recovery for the January 2018 through December 2018 period  
3            on residential bills during the January 2020 through  
4            December 2020 period?

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6     **A.**    The \$43,986,397 under-recovery will increase a 1,000 kWh  
7            residential bill by approximately \$2.26.

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9     **Q.**    Please describe Document No. 2 of your exhibit.

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11    **A.**    Document No. 2 is entitled "Tampa Electric Company Final  
12            Fuel and Purchased Power Over/(Under) Recovery for the  
13            Period January 2018 Through December 2018." It shows the  
14            calculation of the final fuel under-recovery of  
15            \$43,986,397.

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17            Line 1 shows the total company fuel costs of \$673,683,598  
18            for the period January 2018 through December 2018. The  
19            jurisdictional amount of total fuel costs is  
20            \$673,683,598, as shown on line 2. This amount is compared  
21            to the jurisdictional fuel revenues applicable to the  
22            period on line 3 to obtain the actual under-recovered fuel  
23            costs for the period, shown on line 4. The resulting  
24            \$43,839,292 under-recovered fuel costs for the period,  
25            adjustments, interest, true-up collected, and the prior

1 period true-up shown on lines 5 through 8 respectively,  
2 constitute the actual under-recovery amount of  
3 \$36,970,912 shown on line 9. The \$36,970,912 actual under-  
4 recovery amount less the \$7,015,485 projected over-  
5 recovery amount shown on line 10, results in a final  
6 under-recovery amount of \$43,986,397 for the period  
7 January 2018 through December 2018, as shown on line 11.

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9 **Q.** Please describe the adjustments in the amount of  
10 (\$144,678), as shown on line 5.

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12 **A.** There are three adjustments included. The first  
13 adjustment, in the amount of (\$190,412) is the January  
14 2018 true-up adjustment to the December 2017 adjustment  
15 for Big Bend Unit 2 outage replacement power cost. The  
16 initial amount was estimated, and Tampa Electric  
17 completed the detailed hourly analysis needed to  
18 calculate the final amount and booked the true-up, in  
19 January 2018. The second adjustment is for interest on  
20 this adjustment, in the amount of \$2,670, and was booked  
21 in February 2018. The third adjustment occurred in May  
22 2018 in the amount of \$43,064. It reflects the impact of  
23 tax reform on the company's capital projects recovered  
24 through the fuel clause for the period January 2018  
25 through April 2018.



1 Q. Please describe Document No. 3 of your exhibit.

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3 A. Document No. 3 is entitled "Tampa Electric Company  
4 Calculation of True-up Amount Actual vs. Original  
5 Estimates for the Period January 2018 Through December  
6 2018." It shows the calculation of the actual under-  
7 recovery compared to the estimate for the same period.

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9 Q. What was the total fuel and net power transaction cost  
10 variance for the period January 2018 through December  
11 2018?

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13 A. As shown on line A7 of Document No. 3, the fuel and net  
14 power transaction cost is \$45,880,669 greater than the  
15 amount originally estimated.

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17 Q. What was the variance in jurisdictional fuel revenues for  
18 the period January 2018 through December 2018?

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20 A. As shown on line C3 of Document No. 3, the company  
21 collected \$2,596,083, or 0.4 percent greater  
22 jurisdictional fuel revenues than originally estimated.

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24 Q. Please describe Document No. 4 of your exhibit.

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1     **A.**    Document No. 4 contains Commission Schedules A1 and A2  
2            for the month of December and the year-end period-to-date  
3            summary of transactions for each of Commission Schedules  
4            A6, A7, A8, A9, as well as capacity information on  
5            Schedule A12.

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7     **Q.**    Please describe Document No. 5 of your exhibit.

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9     **A.**    Document No. 5 provides the capital costs and fuel savings  
10           for the Polk Unit 1 and the Big Bend Units 1-4 ignition  
11           conversion projects for the period January 2018 through  
12           December 2018. This document also contains the capital  
13           structure components and cost rates relied upon to  
14           calculate the revenue requirements rate of return on  
15           capital projects recovered through the fuel clause.

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17           The Polk Unit 1 ignition conversion project capital costs,  
18           including depreciation and return, for the period January  
19           2018 through December 2018 are less than the project's  
20           fuel savings and provide a net benefit to customers. This  
21           is shown on Document No. 5, page 1, line 33. Therefore,  
22           the Polk Unit 1 ignition conversion project capital costs  
23           should be recovered through the fuel clause in accordance  
24           with FPSC Order No. PSC-2012-0498-PAA-EI, issued in  
25           Docket No. 20120153-EI on September 27, 2012.

1 The Big Bend Units 1-4 ignition conversion project capital  
2 costs, including depreciation and return, for the period  
3 are less than the fuel savings resulting from the project,  
4 and provide a net benefit to customers, as shown on  
5 Document No. 5, page 2, line 33. Therefore, the Big Bend  
6 Units 1-4 ignition conversion project capital costs  
7 should be recovered through the fuel clause in accordance  
8 with FPSC Order No. PSC-2014-0309-PAA-EI, issued in  
9 Docket No. 20140032-EI on June 12, 2014.

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11 **Optimization Mechanism**

12 **Q.** Was Tampa Electric's sharing of Optimization Mechanism  
13 gains allocated in accordance with FPSC Order No. PSC-  
14 2017-0456-S-EI, issued in Docket No. 20160160-EI, on  
15 November 27, 2017?

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17 **A.** Yes. As shown in the testimony and exhibit of Tampa  
18 Electric witness John C. Heisey filed contemporaneously  
19 in this docket, the sharing of Optimization Mechanism  
20 gains was allocated in accordance with FPSC Order No. PSC-  
21 2017-0456-S-EI. Total gains were \$6,367,256. Under the  
22 sharing mechanism, Tampa Electric customers receive  
23 \$5,246,902, and the company earned an incentive of  
24 \$1,120,353 as a result of the company's Optimization  
25 Mechanism activities during 2018. Customers received the

1 gains from these transactions during 2018, and Tampa  
2 Electric requests Commission approval to collect the  
3 company's \$1,120,353 incentive in its 2020 fuel factors.  
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5 **Q.** Does this conclude your testimony?  
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7 **A.** Yes.  
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1                   **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

2                                   **PREPARED DIRECT TESTIMONY**

3   **OF**

4   **PENELOPE A. RUSK**

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6   **Q.**   Please state your name, address, occupation and employer.

7  
8   **A.**   My name is Penelope A. Rusk. My business address is 702  
9           N. Franklin Street, Tampa, Florida 33602. I am employed  
10          by Tampa Electric Company ("Tampa Electric" or "company")  
11          in the position of Director, Regulatory Affairs.

12  
13   **Q.**   Please provide a brief outline of your educational  
14          background and business experience.

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16   **A.**   I received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics from the  
17          University of New Orleans in 1995, and I received a Master  
18          of Arts degree in Economics from the University of South  
19          Florida in Tampa in 1997. I joined Tampa Electric in 1997,  
20          as an Economist in the Load Forecasting Department. In 2000,  
21          I joined the Regulatory Affairs Department, where I assumed  
22          positions of increasing responsibility over time. My  
23          current position is Director of Regulatory Affairs.

24  
25          At Tampa Electric, I have accumulated over 20 years of

1 electric utility experience in the areas of load  
2 forecasting; management of the fuel and purchased power,  
3 capacity, and environmental cost recovery clauses; rate  
4 setting and rate filings; and regulatory project management  
5 activities. I also oversee the coordination and filing of  
6 all Tampa Electric and Peoples Gas filings with federal and  
7 state regulatory agencies. I am a member of the Southeastern  
8 Electric Exchange Rates and Regulation committee.

9  
10 **Q.** What is the purpose of your direct testimony?

11  
12 **A.** The purpose of my testimony is to present, for Commission  
13 review and approval, the calculation of the January 2019  
14 through December 2019 fuel and purchased power and  
15 capacity actual/estimated true-up amounts to be recovered  
16 in the January 2020 through December 2020 projection  
17 period. My testimony addresses the recovery of the fuel  
18 and purchased power costs as well as capacity costs for  
19 the year 2019, based on six months of actual data and six  
20 months of estimated data. This information will be used  
21 in the determination of the 2020 fuel and purchased power  
22 and capacity cost recovery factors.

23  
24 **Q.** Have you prepared an exhibit to support your direct  
25 testimony?

1     **A.**    Yes, I have prepared Exhibit No. PAR-2, which consists of  
2            three documents. Document No. 1 includes schedules E1-B,  
3            E-2, E-3, E-4, E-5, E-6, E-7, E-8, and E-9, which provide  
4            the actual/estimated fuel and purchased power cost  
5            recovery true-up amount for the period January 2019  
6            through December 2019. Document No. 2 provides the  
7            actual/estimated capacity cost recovery true-up amount  
8            for the period January 2019 through December 2019.  
9            Document No. 3 provides the actual/estimated capital  
10           costs during the period of January 2019 through December  
11           2019 for projects authorized for recovery through the fuel  
12           clause. Document No. 3 also provides the capital structure  
13           components and cost rates relied upon to calculate the  
14           revenue requirement rate of return for such projects.  
15           These documents are furnished as support for the  
16           actual/estimated true-up amount for this period.

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18     **Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Recovery Factors**

19     **Q.**    What has Tampa Electric calculated as the estimated net  
20            true-up amount for the current period to be applied in  
21            the January 2020 through December 2020 fuel and purchased  
22            power cost recovery factors?

23  
24     **A.**    The estimated net true-up amount applicable for the period  
25            of January 2020 through December 2020 is an under-recovery

1 of \$30,742,026.

2  
3 **Q.** How did Tampa Electric calculate the estimated net true-  
4 up to be applied in the January 2020 through December  
5 2020 fuel and purchased power cost recovery factors?

6  
7 **A.** The net true-up amount to be recovered in 2020 includes  
8 the final true-up amount for the period January 2018  
9 through December 2018 and the actual/estimated true-up  
10 amount for the period January 2019 through December 2019.  
11 This calculation is shown on Schedule E1-A of Exhibit No.  
12 PAR-2, Document No. 1.

13  
14 **Q.** What did Tampa Electric calculate as the final fuel and  
15 purchased power cost recovery true-up amount for the  
16 period January 2018 through December 2018?

17  
18 **A.** The final 2018 true-up is an under-recovery of  
19 \$43,986,397. The actual fuel cost under-recovery,  
20 including interest, is \$36,970,912 for the period January  
21 2018 through December 2018. The \$36,970,912 under-  
22 recovery, less the actual/estimated over-recovery true-  
23 up amount of \$7,015,485 approved in Order No.  
24 PSC-2018-0610-FOF-EI, issued December 26, 2018 in Docket  
25 No. 20180001-EI, results in a net under-recovery amount



1 for the period of \$43,986,397.

2  
3 **Q.** What did Tampa Electric calculate as the actual/estimated  
4 fuel and purchased power cost recovery amount for the  
5 period January 2019 through December 2019?  
6

7 **A.** The net 2019 actual/estimated fuel and purchased power  
8 cost recovery true-up is an over-recovery of \$13,244,371  
9 for the January 2019 through December 2019 period. This  
10 includes adjustments to reflect the company's mid-course  
11 correction true-up amounts. It is the actual/estimated  
12 under-recovery amount for the period January 2019 through  
13 December 2019, less the projected under-recovery true-up  
14 included in the period April 2019 through December 2019  
15 mid-course correction factors, plus the difference  
16 between the 2018 actual/estimated true-up amount included  
17 in the original 2019 factors and the amount actually  
18 refunded before the mid-course correction factors became  
19 effective. The actual/estimated true-up for the period  
20 January 2019 through December 2019 is an under-recovery  
21 of \$27,562,704. The detailed calculation supporting the  
22 actual/estimated current period true-up is shown in  
23 Exhibit No. PAR-2, Document No. 1 on Schedule E1-B. The  
24 \$27,562,704 under-recovery less the \$35,545,462 projected  
25 under-recovery true-up approved in Order No.

1 PSC-2019-0109-PCO-EI, issued on March 22, 2019 in Docket  
2 No. 20190001-EI, plus the \$5,261,613 difference between  
3 the 2018 actual/estimated true-up amount and the amount  
4 refunded during the period January 2019 through March  
5 2019, results in a net actual/estimated over-recovery  
6 amount for the period of \$13,244,371. The calculation is  
7 shown on Schedule E1-A of Exhibit No. PAR-2, Document  
8 No. 1.

9  
10 **Q.** What did Tampa Electric calculate as the difference  
11 between the actual/estimated true-up amount for the  
12 period January 2018 through December 2018 filed in 2018  
13 and the actual amount collected in 2019?

14  
15 **A.** The difference between the actual/estimated true-up  
16 amount for the period January 2018 through December 2018,  
17 which was included in the factors for the period January  
18 2019 through December 2019, and the actual amount refunded  
19 during 2019 is \$5,261,613. This amount is the  
20 actual/estimated over-recovery true-up of \$7,015,485  
21 included in the original 2019 fuel factors, less  
22 \$1,753,872, which represents the \$584,624 refunded each  
23 month during the three-month period January 2019 through  
24 March 2019 before the revised mid-course correction  
25 factors took effect.

1     **Capacity Cost Recovery Clause**

2     **Q.**    What has Tampa Electric calculated as the estimated net  
3            true-up amount to be applied in the January 2020 through  
4            December 2020 capacity cost recovery factors?

5  
6     **A.**    The estimated net true-up amount applicable for January  
7            2020 through December 2020 is an under-recovery of  
8            \$2,179,217 as shown in Exhibit No. PAR-2, Document No. 2,  
9            page 2 of 5.

10  
11    **Q.**    How did Tampa Electric calculate the estimated net true-  
12            up amount to be applied in the January 2020 through  
13            December 2020 capacity cost recovery factors?

14  
15    **A.**    The net true-up amount to be recovered in the 2020  
16            capacity cost recovery factors includes the final under-  
17            recovery amount for 2018 and the actual/estimated true-  
18            up amount for January 2019 and December 2019. Due to the  
19            April 2019 mid-course correction, the net true-up amount  
20            also includes the portion of the actual/estimated 2018  
21            true-up recovered in the original capacity factors  
22            effective during the months of January 2019 through March  
23            2019 as well as the projected true-up amount included in  
24            the mid-course factors effective for April 2019 through  
25            December 2019.

1   **Q.**   What did Tampa Electric calculate as the final capacity  
2           cost recovery true-up amount for 2018?

3

4   **A.**   The final 2018 under-recovery is \$5,458,886. The company  
5           rolled this amount forward into 2019, including it in the  
6           2019 mid-course correction factors. Therefore, the final  
7           2018 true-up amount for 2018 is \$0.

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9   **Q.**   What did Tampa Electric calculate as the actual/estimated  
10          capacity cost recovery true-up amount for the period  
11          January 2019 through December 2019?

12

13   **A.**   The actual/estimated true-up amount is an over-recovery  
14          of \$1,422,896 as shown on Exhibit No. PAR-2, Document  
15          No. 2, page 1 of 4.

16

17   **Q.**   What did Tampa Electric calculate as the net capacity  
18          cost recovery true-up amount for the period January 2019  
19          through December 2019?

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21   **A.**   The net capacity cost recovery true-up amount for the  
22          period January 2019 through December 2019 is an under-  
23          recovery of \$2,179,217. The final 2018 under-recovery  
24          amount is \$5,458,886. The company rolled this amount  
25          forward to calculate the revised under-recovery true-up

1 amount of \$1,160,527 included in the mid-course cost  
2 recovery factors for the period April 2019 through  
3 December 2019, as approved in Order No. PSC-2019-0109-  
4 PCO-EI, issued March 22, 2019 in Docket No. 20190001-EI.  
5 The company also collected \$696,246, or \$232,082 monthly  
6 over the period January 2019 through March 2019, of the  
7 prior period under-recovery true-up included in the  
8 original 2019 factors. The sum of these three items is an  
9 under-recovery amount of \$3,602,113. The net capacity  
10 cost recovery true-up amount for the period 2019 is  
11 calculated as the \$1,422,896 actual/estimated over-  
12 recovery plus the \$3,602,113 mid-course under-recovery,  
13 or a net true-up under-recovery amount of \$2,179,217. This  
14 calculation is shown on Exhibit No. PAR-2, Document No.  
15 2, page 1 of 4.

16  
17 **Capital Projects Approved for Fuel Clause Recovery**

18 **Q.** Please describe the capital project costs that have been  
19 authorized for recovery through the fuel clause.

20  
21 **A.** Document No. 3 of Exhibit No. PAR-2 provides the capital  
22 cost and fuel savings for the Big Bend Units 1 through 4  
23 ignition conversion project for the period January 2019  
24 through December 2019. This document also contains the  
25 capital structure components and cost rates relied upon

1 to calculate the revenue requirement rate of return on  
2 capital projects recovered through the fuel clause.

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4 The Big Bend Units 1 through 4 ignition conversion project  
5 capital costs, including depreciation and return, for the  
6 period January 2019 through December 2019 are less than  
7 the project fuel savings, as shown on Exhibit No. PAR-2,  
8 Document No. 3, Page 1, line 33. Therefore, the Big Bend  
9 Units 1 through 4 ignition conversion project capital  
10 costs should be recovered through the fuel clause in  
11 accordance with FPSC Order No. PSC-2014-0309-PAA-EI,  
12 issued in Docket No. 20140032-EI on June 12, 2014.

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14 **Q.** Does this conclude your direct testimony?

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16 **A.** Yes, it does.

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1                   **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

2                                   **PREPARED DIRECT TESTIMONY**

3   **OF**

4   **PENELOPE A. RUSK**

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6   **Q.**   Please state your name, address, occupation and employer.

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8   **A.**   My name is Penelope A. Rusk. My business address is 702  
9           N. Franklin Street, Tampa, Florida 33602. I am employed  
10          by Tampa Electric Company ("Tampa Electric" or "company")  
11          in the position of Director, Regulatory Affairs.

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13   **Q.**   Have you previously filed testimony in Docket  
14          No. 20190001-EI?

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16   **A.**   Yes, I submitted direct testimony on March 1, 2019 and  
17          July 26, 2019.

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19   **Q.**   Has your job description, education, or professional  
20          experience changed since you last filed testimony in this  
21          docket?

22  
23   **A.**   No, it has not.

24  
25   **Q.**   What is the purpose of your testimony?

1     **A.**    The purpose of my testimony is to present, for Commission  
2            review and approval, the proposed annual capacity cost  
3            recovery factors, the proposed annual levelized fuel and  
4            purchased power cost recovery factors for January 2020  
5            through December 2020. I also describe significant events  
6            that affect the factors and provide an overview of the  
7            composite effect on the residential bill of changes in  
8            the various cost recovery factors for 2020.

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10    **Q.**    Have you prepared an exhibit to support your direct  
11            testimony?

12  
13    **A.**    Yes. Exhibit No. PAR-3, consisting of four documents, was  
14            prepared under my direction and supervision. Document  
15            No. 1, consisting of four pages, is furnished as support  
16            for the projected capacity cost recovery factors.  
17            Document No. 2, which is furnished as support for the  
18            proposed levelized fuel and purchased power cost recovery  
19            factors, includes Schedules E1 through E10 for January  
20            2020 through December 2020 as well as Schedule H1 for  
21            2017 through 2020. Document No. 3 provides a comparison  
22            of retail residential fuel revenues under the inverted or  
23            tiered fuel rate, which demonstrates that the tiered rate  
24            is revenue neutral. Document No. 4 presents the capital  
25            costs and fuel savings for the company projects that have



1           been approved through the fuel clause, as well as the  
2           capital structure components and cost rates relied upon  
3           to calculate the revenue requirement rate of return for  
4           the projects.

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6           **Capacity Cost Recovery**

7           **Q.**    Are you requesting Commission approval of the projected  
8           capacity cost recovery factors for the company's various  
9           rate schedules?

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11          **A.**    Yes. The capacity cost recovery factors, prepared under  
12          my direction and supervision, are provided in Exhibit  
13          No. PAR-3, Document No. 1, page 3 of 4.

14  
15          **Q.**    What payments are included in Tampa Electric's capacity  
16          cost recovery factors?

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18          **A.**    Tampa Electric is requesting recovery of capacity  
19          payments for power purchased for retail customers,  
20          excluding optional provision purchases for interruptible  
21          customers, through the capacity cost recovery factors. As  
22          shown in Exhibit No. PAR-3, Document No. 1, Tampa Electric  
23          requests recovery of \$1,620,007 after jurisdictional  
24          separation, prior year true-up, and application of the  
25          revenue tax factor, for estimated expenses in 2020.

1 Q. Please summarize the proposed capacity cost recovery  
 2 factors by metering voltage level for January 2020 through  
 3 December 2020.

4

5 **A.**

6 <b>Rate Class and</b>	7 <b>Capacity Cost</b>	8 <b>Recovery Factor</b>
9 <b><u>Metering Voltage</u></b>	10 <b><u>Cents per kWh</u></b>	11 <b><u>\$ per Kw</u></b>
12 RS Secondary	13 0.010	
14 GS and CS Secondary	15 0.008	
16 GSD, SBF Standard		
17 Secondary		18 0.03
19 Primary		20 0.03
21 Transmission		22 0.03
23 IS, IST, SBI		
24 Primary		25 0.03
26 Transmission		27 0.03
28 GSD Optional		
29 Secondary	30 0.007	
31 Primary	32 0.007	
33 Transmission	34 0.007	
35 LS1 Secondary	36 0.002	

37 These factors are shown in Exhibit No. PAR-3, Document  
 38 No. 1, page 3 of 4.

39 Q. How does Tampa Electric's proposed average capacity cost

1 recovery factor of 0.008 cents per kWh compare to the  
2 factor for April 2019 through December 2019?

3  
4 **A.** The proposed capacity cost recovery factor of 0.008 cents  
5 per kWh for the January 2020 through December 2020 period  
6 is 0.017 cents per kWh (or \$0.17 per 1,000 kWh) greater  
7 than the average capacity cost recovery factor credit of  
8 0.009 cents per kWh for the April 2019 through December  
9 2019 period.

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11 **Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Recovery Factor**

12 **Q.** What is the appropriate amount of the levelized fuel and  
13 purchased power cost recovery factor for the year 2020?

14  
15 **A.** The appropriate amount for the 2020 period is 3.016 cents  
16 per kWh before the application of the time of use  
17 multipliers for on-peak or off-peak usage. Schedule E1-E  
18 of Exhibit No. PAR-3, Document No. 2, shows the  
19 appropriate value for the total fuel and purchased power  
20 cost recovery factor for each metering voltage level as  
21 projected for the period January 2020 through December  
22 2020.

23  
24 **Q.** Please describe the information provided on Schedule  
25 E1-C.

1     **A.**    The Generating Performance Incentive Factor ("GPIF"),  
2            true-up factors, and Optimization Mechanism factor are  
3            provided on Schedule E1-C. Tampa Electric has calculated  
4            a GPIF reward of \$4,141,330, which is included in the  
5            calculation of the total fuel and purchased power cost  
6            recovery factors. In addition, Schedule E1-C indicates  
7            the net true-up amount to be applied during the January  
8            2020 through December 2020 period. The net true-up amount  
9            is an under-recovery of \$30,742,026. Lastly, Schedule  
10           E1-C indicates the Optimization Mechanism gain of  
11           \$1,120,353.

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13     **Q.**    Please describe the information provided on Schedule  
14            E1-D.

15  
16     **A.**    Schedule E1-D presents Tampa Electric's on-peak and off-  
17            peak fuel adjustment factors for January 2020 through  
18            December 2020. The schedule also presents Tampa  
19            Electric's levelized fuel cost factors at each metering  
20            level.

21  
22     **Q.**    Please describe the information presented on Schedule  
23            E1-E.

24  
25     **A.**    Schedule E1-E presents the standard, tiered, on-peak and

1 off-peak fuel adjustment factors at each metering voltage  
2 to be applied to customer bills.

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4 **Q.** Please describe the information provided in Document  
5 No. 3.

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7 **A.** Exhibit No. PAR-3, Document No. 3 demonstrates that the  
8 tiered rate structure is designed to be revenue neutral  
9 so that the company will recover the same fuel costs as  
10 it would under the levelized fuel approach.

11

12 **Q.** Please summarize the proposed fuel and purchased power  
13 cost recovery factors by metering voltage level for  
14 January 2020 through December 2020.

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16	<b>A. Metering Voltage Level</b>	<b>Fuel Charge Factor</b>
17		<b>(Cents per kWh)</b>
18	Secondary	3.016
19	Tier I (Up to 1,000 kWh)	2.702
20	Tier II (Over 1,000 kWh)	3.702
21	Distribution Primary	2.986
22	Transmission	2.956
23	Lighting Service	2.989
24	Distribution Secondary	3.162 (on-peak)
25		2.953 (off-peak)

1	<b>Metering Voltage Level</b>	<b>Fuel Charge Factor</b>
2		<b>(Cents per kWh)</b>
3	Distribution Primary	3.130 (on-peak)
4		2.923 (off-peak)
5	Transmission	3.099 (on-peak)
6		2.894 (off-peak)

7

8 **Q.** How does Tampa Electric's proposed levelized fuel  
9 adjustment factor of 3.016 cents per kWh compare to the  
10 levelized fuel adjustment factor for the April 2019  
11 through December 2019 period?

12

13 **A.** The proposed fuel charge factor of 3.016 cents per kWh is  
14 0.211 cents per kWh (or \$2.11 per 1,000 kWh) lower than  
15 the average fuel charge factor of 3.227 cents per kWh for  
16 the April 2019 through December 2019 period.

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### 18 **Capital Projects Approved for Fuel Clause Recovery**

19 **Q.** What did Tampa Electric calculate as the estimated Big  
20 Bend Units 1-4 ignition oil conversion project costs for  
21 the period January 2020 through December 2020?

22

23 **A.** The estimated Big Bend Units 1-4 ignition oil conversion  
24 project capital costs, including depreciation and return,  
25 are \$1,657,489. This is shown in Exhibit No. PAR-3,

1 Document No. 4.

2

3 **Q.** Does Tampa Electric's estimated Big Bend Units 1-4  
4 ignition oil conversion project fuel savings exceed costs  
5 for the period January 2020 through December 2020?

6

7 **A.** Yes, fuel savings exceed costs for the period January  
8 2020 through December 2020. This information is also  
9 presented in Exhibit No. PAR-3, Document No. 4.

10

11 **Q.** Should Tampa Electric's Big Bend Units 1-4 ignition oil  
12 conversion project capital costs be recovered through the  
13 fuel clause?

14

15 **A.** Yes. The January 2020 through December 2020 estimated fuel  
16 savings are greater than the projected capital costs,  
17 providing an expected net benefit to customers, and the  
18 costs are eligible for recovery through the fuel clause  
19 in accordance with FPSC Order No. PSC-2014-0309-PAA-EI,  
20 issued in Docket No. 20140032-EI on June 12, 2014.

21

22 **Q.** Please describe the capital structure components and cost  
23 rates relied upon to calculate the revenue requirement  
24 rate of return for this project.

25

1     **A.**    The capital structure components and cost rates relied  
2            upon to calculate the revenue requirement rate of return  
3            for the company's projects that are approved for recovery  
4            through the fuel clause are shown in Document No. 4.

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6     **Q.**    Is Tampa Electric required to adjust its projected  
7            weighted average cost of capital calculations to avoid a  
8            tax normalization violation, which may occur in certain  
9            circumstances described in the utilities' unopposed joint  
10           motion to modify Order No. 2012-0425-PAA-EU, submitted in  
11           this docket on August 21, 2019?

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13    **A.**    No, an adjustment is not required for 2020. Tampa Electric  
14            expects to meet the limitation provision for the projected  
15            period. Therefore, the methodology used to calculate the  
16            revenue requirement rate of return shown on Document  
17            No. 4 is that described in Order No. 2012-0425-PAA-EU,  
18            and the use of the current methodology does not violate  
19            the tax normalization requirement.

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21    **Wholesale Incentive Benchmark and Optimization Mechanism**

22    **Q.**    Will Tampa Electric project a 2020 wholesale incentive  
23            benchmark that is derived in accordance with Order No.  
24            PSC-2001-2371-FOF-EI issued in Docket No. 20010283-EI?

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1 **A.** No. Effective January 1, 2018, as authorized by FPSC Order  
2 No. PSC-2017-0456-S-EI, issued in Docket No. 20160160-EI  
3 on November 27, 2017, the company's Optimization  
4 Mechanism replaced the existing short-term wholesale  
5 sales incentive mechanism, and as a result no wholesale  
6 incentive benchmark is required for the 2020 projection.  
7

8 **Cost Recovery Factors**

9 **Q.** What is the composite effect of Tampa Electric's proposed  
10 changes in its base, capacity, fuel and purchased power,  
11 environmental, and energy conservation cost recovery  
12 factors on a 1,000 kWh residential customer's bill?  
13

14 **A.** The composite effect on a residential bill for 1,000 kWh  
15 is a decrease of \$1.06 beginning January 2020, when  
16 compared to the April 2019 through December 2019 charges.  
17 For the month of January 2020, a one-time final tax  
18 savings credit will be applied to customer bills. For a  
19 1,000 kWh residential bill, the credit represents an  
20 additional decrease of \$9.06. These amounts are shown in  
21 Exhibit No. PAR-3, Document No. 2, on Schedule E10.  
22

23 **Q.** When should the new rates take effect?  
24

25 **A.** The new rates should take effect concurrent with meter

1 readings for the first billing cycle for January 2020.

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3 **Q.** Does this conclude your direct testimony?

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5 **A.** Yes, it does.

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1                   **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

2                                   **PREPARED DIRECT TESTIMONY**

3   **OF**

4   **BRIAN S. BUCKLEY**

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6   **Q.**   Please state your name, business address, occupation, and  
7           employer.

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9   **A.**   My name is Brian S. Buckley. My business address is 702 North  
10           Franklin Street, Tampa, Florida 33602. I am employed by Tampa  
11           Electric Company ("Tampa Electric" or "company") in the  
12           position of Manager, Unit Commitment.

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14   **Q.**   Please provide a brief outline of your educational background  
15           and business experience.

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17   **A.**   I received a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical  
18           Engineering in 1997 from the Georgia Institute of Technology  
19           and a Master of Business Administration from the University  
20           of South Florida in 2003. I am a registered Professional  
21           Engineer in the state of Florida, and I have accumulated 20  
22           years of electric utility work experience. I began my career  
23           with Tampa Electric in 1999 as an Engineer in Plant Technical  
24           Services and have held various engineering positions at Tampa  
25           Electric's power generating stations and in the Operations

1 Planning Department where I was responsible for unit  
2 performance analysis and reporting. In 2008, I was promoted  
3 to Manager, Operations Planning, and in 2011, NERC Compliance  
4 was added to my current responsibilities. In 2017, I was  
5 promoted to Manager, Unit Commitment, where I am responsible  
6 for portfolio optimization of Tampa Electric's generation  
7 assets.

8  
9 **Q.** What is the purpose of your testimony?

10  
11 **A.** The purpose of my testimony is to present Tampa Electric's  
12 actual performance results from unit equivalent availability  
13 and heat rate used to determine the Generating Performance  
14 Incentive Factor ("GPIF") for the period January 2018 through  
15 December 2018. I will also compare these results to the  
16 targets established for the period.

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18 **Q.** Have you prepared an exhibit to support your testimony?

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20 **A.** Yes, I prepared Exhibit No. BSB-1, consisting of two  
21 documents. Document No. 1, entitled "GPIF Schedules" is  
22 consistent with the GPIF Implementation Manual approved by  
23 the Commission. Document No. 2 provides the company's Actual  
24 Unit Performance Data for the 2018 period.

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- 1 **Q.** Which generating units on Tampa Electric's system are included  
2 in the determination of the GPIF?  
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- 4 **A.** Big Bend Units 2 through 4, Polk Units 1 and 2 and Bayside  
5 Units 1 and 2 are included in the calculation of the GPIF.  
6
- 7 **Q.** Have you calculated the results of Tampa Electric's  
8 performance under the GPIF during the January 2018 through  
9 December 2018 period?  
10
- 11 **A.** Yes, I have. This is shown on Document No. 1, page 4 of 32.  
12 Based upon 4.464 Generating Performance Incentive Points  
13 ("GPIP"), the result is a reward amount of \$4,141,330 for the  
14 period.  
15
- 16 **Q.** Please proceed with your review of the actual results for the  
17 January 2018 through December 2018 period.  
18
- 19 **A.** On Document No. 1, page 3 of 32, the actual average common  
20 equity for the period is shown on line 14 as \$2,763,199,709.  
21 This produces the maximum penalty or reward amount of  
22 \$9,277,090 as shown on line 23.  
23
- 24 **Q.** Will you please explain how you arrived at the actual  
25 equivalent availability results for the seven units included

1 within the GPIF?

2  
3 **A.** Yes. Operating data for each of the units is filed monthly  
4 with the Commission on the Actual Unit Performance Data form.  
5 Additionally, outage information is reported to the Commission  
6 on a monthly basis. A summary of this data for the 12 months  
7 provides the basis for the GPIF.

8  
9 **Q.** Are the actual equivalent availability results shown on  
10 Document No. 1, page 6 of 32, column 2, directly applicable  
11 to the GPIF table?

12  
13 **A.** No. Adjustments to actual equivalent availability may be  
14 required as noted in Section 4.3.3 of the GPIF Manual. The  
15 actual equivalent availability including the required  
16 adjustment is shown on Document No. 1, page 6 of 32, column  
17 4. The necessary adjustments as prescribed in the GPIF Manual  
18 are further defined by a letter dated October 23, 1981, from  
19 Mr. J. H. Hoffsis of the Commission's Staff. The adjustments  
20 for each unit are as follows:

21  
22 **Big Bend Unit No. 2**

23 On this unit, 575.0 planned outage hours were originally  
24 scheduled for 2018. Actual outage activities required 1,682.2  
25 planned outage hours. Consequently, the actual equivalent

1           availability of 70.0 percent is adjusted to 80.9 percent as  
2           shown on Document No. 1, page 7 of 32.

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4           **Big Bend Unit No. 3**

5           On this unit, 576.0 planned outage hours were originally  
6           scheduled for 2018. Actual outage activities required 470.8  
7           planned outage hours. Consequently, the actual equivalent  
8           availability of 76.5 percent is adjusted to 75.5 percent as  
9           shown on Document No. 1, page 8 of 32.

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11           **Big Bend Unit No. 4**

12           On this unit, 576.0 planned outage hours were originally  
13           scheduled for 2018. Actual outage activities required 1,676.7  
14           planned outage hours. Consequently, the actual equivalent  
15           availability of 60.2 percent is adjusted to 69.5 percent as  
16           shown on Document No. 1, page 9 of 32.

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18           **Polk Unit No. 1**

19           On this unit, 1,512.0 planned outage hours were originally  
20           scheduled for 2018. Actual outage activities required 2,460.1  
21           planned outage hours. Consequently, the actual equivalent  
22           availability of 60.7 percent is adjusted to 69.8 percent, as  
23           shown on Document No. 1, page 10 of 32.



1           **Polk Unit No. 2**

2           On this unit, 505.0 planned outage hours were originally  
3           scheduled for 2018. Actual outage activities required 175.3  
4           planned outage hours. Consequently, the actual equivalent  
5           availability of 93.8 percent is adjusted to 90.1 percent, as  
6           shown on Document No. 1, page 11 of 32.

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8           **Bayside Unit No. 1**

9           On this unit, 1,297.0 planned outage hours were originally  
10          scheduled for 2018. Actual outage activities required 468.3  
11          planned outage hours. Consequently, the actual equivalent  
12          availability of 93.0 percent is adjusted to 83.7 percent, as  
13          shown on Document No. 1, page 12 of 32.

14  
15          **Bayside Unit No. 2**

16          On this unit, 1,631.0 planned outage hours were originally  
17          scheduled for 2018. Actual outage activities required 1,718.0  
18          planned outage hours. Consequently, the actual equivalent  
19          availability of 77.1 percent is adjusted to 78.0 percent, as  
20          shown on Document No. 1, page 13 of 32.

21  
22   **Q.**   How did you arrive at the applicable equivalent availability  
23          points for each unit?

24  
25   **A.**   The final adjusted equivalent availabilities for each unit

1 are shown on Document No. 1, page 6 of 32, column 4. This  
2 number is incorporated in the respective GPIF table for each  
3 particular unit, shown on pages 24 of 32 through 30 of 32.  
4 Page 4 of 32 summarizes the weighted equivalent availability  
5 points to be awarded or penalized.

6  
7 **Q.** Will you please explain the heat rate results relative to the  
8 GPIF?

9  
10 **A.** The actual heat rate and adjusted actual heat rate for Tampa  
11 Electric's seven GPIF units are shown on Document No. 1, page  
12 6 of 32. The adjustment was developed based on the guidelines  
13 of Section 4.3.16 of the GPIF Manual. This procedure is  
14 further defined by a letter dated October 23, 1981, from Mr.  
15 J. H. Hoffsis of the FPSC Staff. The final adjusted actual  
16 heat rates are also shown on page 5 of 32, column 9. The heat  
17 rate value is incorporated in the respective GPIF table for  
18 the particular unit, shown on pages 24 through 30 of 32. Page  
19 4 of 32 summarizes the weighted heat rate points to be awarded  
20 or penalized.

21  
22 **Q.** What is the overall GPIF for Tampa Electric for the January  
23 2018 through December 2018 period?

24  
25 **A.** This is shown on Document No. 1, page 2 of 32. The weighting

1 factors shown on page 4 of 32, column 3, plus the equivalent  
2 availability points and the heat rate points shown on page 4  
3 of 32, column 4, are substituted within the equation found on  
4 page 32 of 32. The resulting value of 4.464 is located in  
5 the GPIF table on page 2 of 32, and the reward amount of  
6 \$4,141,330 is calculated using linear interpolation.

7  
8 **Q.** Are there any other constraints set forth by the Commission  
9 regarding the magnitude of incentive dollars?

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11 **A.** Yes. Incentive dollars are not to exceed 50 percent of fuel  
12 savings. Tampa Electric met this constraint, limiting the  
13 total potential reward and penalty incentive dollars to  
14 \$9,277,090, as shown in Document No. 1, pages 2 and 3.

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16 **Q.** Does this conclude your testimony?

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18 **A.** Yes, it does.  
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1                   **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

2                                   **PREPARED DIRECT TESTIMONY**

3   **OF**

4   **J. BRENT CALDWELL**

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6   **Q.**   Please state your name, address, occupation and employer.

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8   **A.**   My name is J. Brent Caldwell. My business address is 702  
9           N. Franklin Street, Tampa, Florida 33602. I am employed  
10          by Tampa Electric Company ("Tampa Electric" or "company")  
11          as Director, Resource Planning.

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13   **Q.**   Please provide a brief outline of your educational  
14          background and business experience.

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16   **A.**   I received a Bachelor's degree in Electrical Engineering  
17          from Georgia Institute of Technology in 1985 and a Master  
18          of Science degree in Electrical Engineering in 1988 from  
19          the University of South Florida. I have over 20 years of  
20          utility experience with an emphasis in state and federal  
21          regulatory matters, fuel procurement and transportation,  
22          fuel logistics and cost reporting, and business systems  
23          analysis. In 2017, I assumed responsibility for Portfolio  
24          Optimization which includes unit commitment, near-term  
25          maintenance planning, and natural gas and wholesale power

1 trading. In December 2018, I assumed the role of Director  
2 Resource Planning.

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4 **Q.** Have you previously testified before the Florida Public  
5 Service Commission ("FPSC" or "Commission")?

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7 **A.** Yes. I have submitted written testimony in the annual fuel  
8 docket since 2011. In 2015, I testified in Docket No.  
9 20150001-EI regarding natural gas hedging. I have also  
10 testified before the Commission in Docket No. 20120234-  
11 EI regarding the company's fuel procurement for the Polk  
12 2-5 Combined Cycle Conversion project.

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14 **Q.** Please state the purpose of your testimony.

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16 **A.** The purpose of my testimony is to present, for the  
17 Commission's review, information regarding the 2018  
18 results of Tampa Electric's risk management activities,  
19 as required by the terms of the stipulation entered into  
20 by the parties to Docket No. 20011605-EI and approved by  
21 the Commission in Order No. PSC-2002-1484-FOF-EI.

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23 **Q.** Do you wish to sponsor an exhibit in support of your  
24 testimony?

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1 **A.** Yes. Exhibit No. JBC-1, entitled Tampa Electric's 2018  
2 Hedging Activity True-up, was prepared under my direction  
3 and supervision. This report describes the company's risk  
4 management activities and results for the calendar year  
5 2018.

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7 **Q.** What is the source of the data you present in your  
8 testimony in this proceeding?

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10 **A.** Unless otherwise indicated, the source of the data is the  
11 books and records of Tampa Electric. The books and records  
12 are kept in the regular course of business in accordance  
13 with generally accepted accounting principles and  
14 practices, and provisions of the Uniform System of  
15 Accounts as prescribed by this Commission.

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17 **Natural Gas Financial Hedging**

18 **Q.** Please describe the natural gas financial hedging  
19 moratorium that began in 2016 and its effects on 2018 risk  
20 management activities.

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22 **A.** On October 24, 2016, electric investor-owned utilities  
23 DEF, Gulf and Tampa Electric, collectively the IOUs,  
24 Office of Public Counsel, the Florida Industrial Power  
25 Users Group, and the Florida Retail Federation jointly

1 entered into a Stipulation and Agreement ("Agreement").  
2 Under the terms of the Agreement, the IOUs agreed to put  
3 in place a 100 percent moratorium on any new hedges,  
4 effective immediately upon the Commission's approval of  
5 the Agreement, with that moratorium extending through  
6 calendar year 2017. The Agreement was approved by the  
7 Commission on December 5, 2016, with the issuance of Order  
8 No. PSC-2016-0547-FOF-EI. By Commission vote memorialized  
9 in Order No. PSC-2017-0134-PCO-EI issued April 13, 2017,  
10 Tampa Electric was not required to file a 2018 Risk  
11 Management Plan, effectively extending the hedging  
12 moratorium.

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14 Tampa Electric prudently followed its 2016 Risk  
15 Management Plan, Commission Order No. PSC-2016-0547-FOF-  
16 EI, and Commission Order No. PSC-2017-0134-PCO-EI in  
17 utilizing financial hedges already in place prior to the  
18 moratorium to mitigate volatility of natural gas prices  
19 during the period January 2018 through December 2018.

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21 **Q.** What does Tampa Electric plan to do when the hedging  
22 moratorium ends?

23  
24 **A.** In accordance with the company's 2017 Amended and Restated  
25 Stipulation and Settlement Agreement approved by



1 Commission Order No. PSC-2017-0456-S-EI, issued on  
2 November 27, 2017 in Docket No. 20170210-EI, Tampa  
3 Electric will not enter into any new natural gas financial  
4 hedging contracts for fuel from January 1, 2018 through  
5 December 31, 2022.

6  
7 **Q.** Did Tampa Electric have any natural gas financial hedging  
8 contracts that were entered prior to the start of the  
9 hedging moratorium and effective during 2018?

10  
11 **A.** Yes. Tampa Electric has reported on the natural gas  
12 financial hedging contracts entered prior to Commission  
13 approval of the hedging moratorium, and the company has  
14 not entered any new financial hedging contracts since the  
15 moratorium began. All such hedging contracts have been  
16 settled as of the end of November 2018.

17  
18 **Risk Management Activities**

19 **Q.** What were the results of Tampa Electric's risk management  
20 activities in 2018?

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22 **A.** As outlined in Tampa Electric's 2018 Hedging Activity  
23 True-up, filed as an exhibit to this testimony, the  
24 company followed a non-speculative risk management  
25 strategy to reduce fuel price volatility while

1 maintaining a reliable supply of fuel. The company's 2018  
2 risk management activities include financial hedges  
3 established prior to the moratorium. Tampa Electric's  
4 2018 natural gas hedging activities resulted in a net  
5 settlement loss of approximately \$232,000. These results  
6 are due to the market conditions experienced in the past  
7 two years as Tampa Electric has not placed any new  
8 financial hedges on its natural gas purchases since the  
9 moratorium began. The 2018 financial hedges were  
10 successful in achieving the risk management plan  
11 objective of reducing price volatility while maintaining  
12 a reliable fuel supply.

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14 **Q.** Does Tampa Electric implement physical hedges for natural  
15 gas?

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17 **A.** No, Tampa Electric does not hedge natural gas pricing  
18 through physical gas supply contracts. Tampa Electric  
19 does hedge its natural gas supply through  
20 diversification. Tampa Electric physically hedges its  
21 supply using a variety of sources, delivery methods,  
22 inventory locations and contractual terms to enhance the  
23 company's supply reliability and flexibility to cost-  
24 effectively meet changing operational needs.

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1 Tampa Electric continually pursues new creditworthy  
2 counterparties and maintains contracts for gas supplies  
3 from various regions and on different pipelines. The  
4 company also contracts for pipeline capacity to access  
5 non-conventional shale gas production which is less  
6 sensitive to interruption by hurricanes. Additionally,  
7 Tampa Electric has storage capacity with Bay Gas Storage  
8 near Mobile, Alabama. All of these actions enhance the  
9 effectiveness of Tampa Electric's gas supply portfolio.

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11 **Q.** Does Tampa Electric use a hedging information system?

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13 **A.** Yes, Tampa Electric uses the Allegro System ("Allegro").  
14 Allegro supports sound hedging practices with its  
15 contract management, separation of duties, credit  
16 tracking, transaction limits, deal confirmation, risk  
17 exposure analysis and business report generation  
18 functions. Allegro tracks all existing financial natural  
19 gas hedging transactions, and the system produces risk  
20 management reports.

21

22 **Q.** Did the company use financial hedges for commodities other  
23 than natural gas in 2018?

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25 **A.** No. Tampa Electric did not use financial hedges for

1 commodities other than natural gas in 2018. Tampa  
2 Electric's generation units are fueled primarily by coal  
3 and natural gas. The price of coal has historically been  
4 stable compared to the prices of oil and natural gas. In  
5 addition, there is not an organized, liquid, market for  
6 financial hedging instruments for the high-sulfur  
7 Illinois Basin coal that Tampa Electric uses at Big Bend  
8 Station, its largest coal-fired generation facility.  
9 Tampa Electric consumes a small amount of oil; however,  
10 its low and erratic usage pattern makes price hedging  
11 impractical. Similarly, Tampa Electric did not use  
12 financial hedges for wholesale power transactions because  
13 a liquid, published market does not exist for power in  
14 Florida.

15  
16 **Q.** How does Tampa Electric assure physical supply of other  
17 commodities?

18  
19 **A.** Tampa Electric assures sufficient physical supply of coal  
20 and oil through supply diversification, inventory  
21 sufficiency, and delivery flexibility. For coal, the  
22 company enters into a portfolio of contracts with  
23 differing terms and various suppliers to obtain the types  
24 of coal used in its electric generation system. Through  
25 a competitive bid process, supplier diversity and

1 transportation flexibility, Tampa Electric obtains  
2 competitive prices with valuable quality and  
3 transportation flexibility by selecting from a wide range  
4 of purchase options.

5  
6 **Q.** What is the basis for your request to recover the  
7 commodity and transaction costs described above?

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9 **A.** Tampa Electric requests cost recovery pursuant to  
10 Commission Order No. PSC-2002-1484-FOF-EI, in Docket No.  
11 20011605-EI:

12 Each investor-owned electric utility shall be  
13 authorized to charge/credit to the fuel and  
14 purchased power cost recovery clause its  
15 non-speculative, prudently-incurred commodity  
16 costs and gains and losses associated with  
17 financial and/or physical hedging  
18 transactions for natural gas, residual oil,  
19 and purchased power contracts tied to the  
20 price of natural gas.

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22 **Q.** Does this conclude your testimony?

23  
24 **A.** Yes, it does.  
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1                   **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

2                                   **PREPARED DIRECT TESTIMONY**

3   **OF**

4   **JEREMY B. CAIN**

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6   **Q.**   Please state your name, address, occupation and employer.

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8   **A.**   My name is Jeremy B. Cain. My business address is 702 N.  
9           Franklin Street, Tampa, Florida 33602. I am employed by  
10          Tampa Electric Company ("Tampa Electric" or "company") in  
11          the position of Manager, Asset Management.

12  
13   **Q.**   Please provide a brief description of your educational  
14          background and work experience.

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16   **A.**   I hold a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical  
17          Engineering in 2003 from the University of New Brunswick,  
18          Canada, and I am a registered Professional Engineer in  
19          Canada. I have accumulated 10 years of experience in the  
20          electric utility industry, with experience in the areas  
21          of unit maintenance manager, project manager for a unit  
22          upgrade, operations manager for that plant, as well as  
23          various other engineering positions, including  
24          responsibility for physical asset management. In my  
25          current role I am responsible for development of Tampa

1 Electric's Asset Management programs and processes,  
2 specifically for the Bayside Power Station, and  
3 coordinating these programs with the Asset Management  
4 processes throughout Energy Supply. Asset Management  
5 programs include work management processes, reliability  
6 programs, and information technology, operational and  
7 capital investment analysis, recommendations, and  
8 planning to maintain and improve the performance of the  
9 generating units.

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11 **Q.** What is the purpose of your testimony?  
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13 **A.** My testimony describes Tampa Electric's methodology for  
14 determining the various factors required to compute the  
15 Generating Performance Incentive Factor ("GPIF") as  
16 ordered by the Commission.  
17

18 **Q.** Have you prepared an exhibit to support your direct  
19 testimony?  
20

21 **A.** Yes. Exhibit No. JC-1, consisting of two documents, was  
22 prepared under my direction and supervision. Document No.  
23 1 contains the GPIF schedules. Document No. 2 is a summary  
24 of the GPIF targets for the 2020 period.  
25



1     **Q.**     Which generating units on Tampa Electric's system are  
2             included in the determination of the GPIF?

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4     **A.**     Four natural gas combined cycle units and one coal unit  
5             are included. These are Polk Units 1 and 2, Bayside Units  
6             1 and 2, and Big Bend Unit 4.

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8     **Q.**     Does your exhibit comply with the Commission's approved  
9             GPIF methodology?

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11    **A.**     Yes. In accordance with the GPIF Manual, the GPIF units  
12             selected represent no less than 80 percent of the  
13             estimated system net generation. The units Tampa Electric  
14             proposes to use for the period January 2020 through  
15             December 2020 represent 87 percent of the total forecasted  
16             system net generation for this period.

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18             To account for the concerns presented in the testimony of  
19             Commission Staff witness Sidney W. Matlock during the 2005  
20             fuel hearing, Tampa Electric removes outliers from the  
21             calculation of the GPIF targets. The methodology was  
22             approved by the Commission in Order No. PSC-2006-1057-  
23             FOF-EI issued in Docket No. 20060001-EI on December 22,  
24             2006.

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1 Q. Did Tampa Electric identify any outages as outliers?

2

3 A. Yes, Polk Unit 2 and Bayside Unit 1 outages were  
4 identified as outliers and removed.

5

6 Q. Did Tampa Electric make any other adjustments?

7

8 A. Yes. As allowed per Section 4.3 of the GPIF Implementation  
9 Manual, the Forced Outage and Maintenance Outage Factors  
10 were adjusted to reflect recent unit performance and known  
11 unit modifications or equipment changes.

12

13 Q. Please describe how Tampa Electric developed the various  
14 factors associated with GPIF.

15

16 A. Targets were established for equivalent availability and  
17 heat rate for each unit considered for the 2020 period.  
18 A range of potential improvements and degradations were  
19 determined for each of these metrics.

20

21 Q. How were the target values for unit availability  
22 determined?

23

24 A. The Planned Outage Factor ("POF") and the Equivalent  
25 Unplanned Outage Factor ("EUOF") were subtracted from 100

1           percent to determine the target Equivalent Availability  
 2           Factor ("EAF"). The factors for each of the four units  
 3           included within the GPIF are shown on page 5 of Document  
 4           No. 1.

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 6           To give an example for the 2020 period, the projected  
 7           EUOF for Bayside Unit 1 is 1.7 percent, the POF is 6.6  
 8           percent. Therefore, the target EAF for Bayside Unit 1  
 9           equals 91.7 percent or:

$$100\% - (1.7\% + 6.6\%) = 91.7\%$$

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 13           This is shown on Page 4, column 3 of Document No. 1.

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 15   **Q.**   How was the potential for unit availability improvement  
 16           determined?

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 18   **A.**   Maximum equivalent availability is derived using the  
 19           following formula:

$$20$$

$$21 \quad \text{EAF}_{\text{MAX}} = 1 - [0.80 (\text{EUOF}_T) + 0.95 (\text{POF}_T)]$$

22  
 23           The factors included in the above equations are the same  
 24           factors that determine the target equivalent  
 25           availability. Calculating the maximum incentive points,

1 a 20 percent reduction in EUOF, plus a five percent  
2 reduction in the POF is necessary. Continuing with the  
3 Bayside Unit 1 example:

$$4 \quad \text{EAF}_{\text{MAX}} = 1 - [0.80 (1.7\%) + 0.95 (6.6\%)] = 92.4\%$$

6 This is shown on page 4, column 4 of Document No. 1.

8  
9 **Q.** How was the potential for unit availability degradation  
10 determined?

11  
12 **A.** The potential for unit availability degradation is  
13 significantly greater than the potential for unit  
14 availability improvement. This concept was discussed  
15 extensively during the development of the incentive. To  
16 incorporate this biased effect into the unit availability  
17 tables, Tampa Electric uses a potential degradation range  
18 equal to twice the potential improvement. Consequently,  
19 minimum equivalent availability is calculated using the  
20 following formula:

$$21 \quad \text{EAF}_{\text{MIN}} = 1 - [1.40 (\text{EUOF}_T) + 1.10 (\text{POF}_T)]$$

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24 Again, continuing using the Bayside Unit 1 example,  
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1 The factor for each unit is shown on pages 5 and 12 through  
2 16 of Document No. 1. Polk Unit 1 has a POF of 8.5 percent.  
3 Polk Unit 2 has a POF of 12.6 percent. Bayside Unit 2 has  
4 a POF of 6.6 percent, and Big Bend Unit 4 has a POF of  
5 21.8 percent.

6  
7 **Q.** How did you determine the Forced Outage and Maintenance  
8 Outage Factors for each unit?

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10 **A.** Projected factors are based upon historical unit  
11 performance. For each unit, the three most recent July  
12 through June annual periods formed the basis of the target  
13 development. Historical data and target values are  
14 analyzed to assure applicability to current conditions of  
15 operation. This provides assurance that any periods of  
16 abnormal operations or recent trends having material  
17 effect can be taken into consideration. These target  
18 factors are additive and result in a EUOF of 1.7 percent  
19 for Bayside Unit 1. The EUOF of Bayside Unit 1 is verified  
20 by the data shown on page 15, lines 3, 5, 10 and 11 of  
21 Document No. 1 and calculated using the following formula:

$$22 \quad \text{EUOF} = \frac{\text{EFOH} + \text{EMOH}}{\text{PH}} \times 100\%$$

24 PH

1 Or

$$2 \quad \text{EUOF} = \frac{(42 + 111)}{8,784} \times 100\% = 1.7\%$$

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5 Relative to Bayside Unit 1, the EUOF of 1.7 percent forms  
6 the basis of the equivalent availability target  
7 development as shown on pages 4 and 5 of Document No. 1.

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9 **Polk Unit 1**

10 The projected EUOF for this unit is 16 percent. The unit  
11 will have two planned outages in 2020, and the POF is 8.5  
12 percent. Therefore, the target equivalent availability  
13 for this unit is 75.5 percent.

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15 **Polk Unit 2**

16 The projected EUOF for this unit is 2.5 percent. The unit  
17 will have two planned outages in 2020, and the POF is  
18 12.6 percent. Therefore, the target equivalent  
19 availability for this unit is 84.9 percent.

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21 **Bayside Unit 1**

22 The projected EUOF for this unit is 1.7 percent. The unit  
23 will have two planned outages in 2020, and the POF is 6.6  
24 percent. Therefore, the target equivalent availability  
25 for this unit is 91.7 percent.

1 **Bayside Unit 2**

2 The projected EUOF for this unit is 4.5 percent. The unit  
3 will have two planned outages in 2020, and the POF is 6.6  
4 percent. Therefore, the target equivalent availability  
5 for this unit is 88.9 percent.  
6

7 **Big Bend Unit 4**

8 The projected EUOF for this unit is 22.8 percent. The  
9 unit will have two planned outages in 2020, and the POF  
10 is 21.8 percent. Therefore, the target equivalent  
11 availability for this unit is 55.4 percent.  
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13 **Q.** Please summarize your testimony regarding EAF.  
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15 **A.** The GPIF system weighted EAF of 84.9 percent is shown on  
16 page 5 of Document No. 1.  
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18 **Q.** Why are Forced and Maintenance Outage Factors adjusted  
19 for planned outage hours?  
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21 **A.** The adjustment makes the factors more accurate and  
22 comparable. A unit in a planned outage stage or reserve  
23 shutdown stage cannot incur a forced or maintenance  
24 outage. To demonstrate the effects of a planned outage,  
25 note the Equivalent Unplanned Outage Rate and Equivalent



1 Unplanned Outage Factor for Bayside Unit 1 on page 15 of  
2 Document No. 1. Except for the months of February, March,  
3 and December, the Equivalent Unplanned Outage Rate and  
4 Equivalent Unplanned Outage Factor are equal. This is  
5 because no planned outages are scheduled for these months.  
6 During the months of February, March, and December, the  
7 Equivalent Unplanned Outage Rate exceeds the Equivalent  
8 Unplanned Outage Factor due to the scheduled planned  
9 outages. Therefore, the adjusted factors apply to the  
10 period hours after the planned outage hours have been  
11 extracted.

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13 **Q.** Does this mean that both rate and factor data are used in  
14 calculated data?

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16 **A.** Yes. Rates provide a proper and accurate method of  
17 determining unit metrics, which are subsequently  
18 converted to factors. Therefore,

$$20 \text{EFOF} + \text{EMOF} + \text{POF} + \text{EAF} = 100\%$$

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22 Since factors are additive, they are easier to work with  
23 and to understand.

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25 **Q.** Has Tampa Electric prepared the necessary heat rate data

1 required for the determination of the GPIF?

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3 **A.** Yes. Target heat rates and ranges of potential operation  
4 have been developed as required and have been adjusted to  
5 reflect the aforementioned agreed upon GPIF methodology  
6 and co-firing.

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8 **Q.** How were the targets determined?

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10 **A.** Net heat rate data for the three most recent July through  
11 June annual periods formed the basis for the target  
12 development. The historical data and the target values  
13 are analyzed to assure applicability to current  
14 conditions of operation. This provides assurance that any  
15 period of abnormal operations or equipment modifications  
16 having material effect on heat rate can be taken into  
17 consideration.

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19 **Q.** How were the ranges of heat rate improvement and heat  
20 rate degradation determined?

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22 **A.** The ranges were determined through analysis of historical  
23 net heat rate and net output factor data. This is the  
24 same data from which the net heat rate versus net output  
25 factor curves have been developed for each unit. This

1 information is shown on pages 24 through 28 of Document  
2 No. 1.

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4 **Q.** Please elaborate on the analysis used in the determination  
5 of the ranges.

6  
7 **A.** The net heat rate versus net output factor curves are the  
8 result of a first order curve fit to historical data. The  
9 standard error of the estimate of this data was  
10 determined, and a factor was applied to produce a band of  
11 potential improvement and degradation. Both the curve fit  
12 and the standard error of the estimate were performed by  
13 the computer program for each unit. These curves are also  
14 used in post-period adjustments to actual heat rates to  
15 account for unanticipated changes in unit dispatch and  
16 fuel.

17  
18 **Q.** Please summarize your heat rate projection (Btu/Net kWh)  
19 and the range about each target to allow for potential  
20 improvement or degradation for the 2020 period.

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22 **A.** The heat rate target for Polk Unit 1 is 10,018 Btu/Net  
23 kWh with a range of  $\pm 1,411$  Btu/Net kWh. The heat rate  
24 target for Polk Unit 2 is 7,209 Btu/Net kWh with a range  
25 of  $\pm 394$  Btu/Net kWh. The heat rate for Bayside Unit 1 is

1 7,379 Btu/Net kWh with a range of  $\pm 119$  Btu/Net kWh. The  
2 heat rate target for Bayside Unit 2 is 7,499 Btu/Net kWh  
3 with a range of  $\pm 250$  Btu/Net kWh. The heat rate target  
4 for Big Bend Unit 4 is 10,837 Btu/Net kWh with a range of  
5  $\pm 427$  Btu/Net kWh. A zone of tolerance of  $\pm 75$  Btu/Net kWh  
6 is included within a range for each target. This is shown  
7 on page 4, and pages 7 through 11 of Document No. 1.  
8

9 **Q.** Do these heat rate targets and ranges meet the  
10 Commission's requirements?  
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12 **A.** Yes.  
13

14 **Q.** After determining the target values and ranges for average  
15 net operating heat rate and equivalent availability, what  
16 is the next step in determining the GPIF targets?  
17

18 **A.** The next step is to calculate the savings and weighting  
19 factor to be used for both average net operating heat  
20 rate and equivalent availability. This is shown in  
21 Document No. 1, pages 7 through 11. The baseline  
22 production costing analysis was performed to calculate  
23 the total system fuel cost if all units operated at target  
24 heat rate and target availability for the period. This  
25 total system fuel cost of \$435,826,930 is shown on

1 Document No. 1, page 6, column 2. Multiple production  
2 cost simulations were performed to calculate total system  
3 fuel cost with each unit individually operating at maximum  
4 improvement in equivalent availability and each station  
5 operating at maximum improvement in average net operating  
6 heat rate. The respective savings are shown on page 6,  
7 column 4 of Document No. 1.

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9 Column 4 totals \$21,602,740, which reflects the savings  
10 if all of the units operated at maximum improvement. A  
11 weighting factor for each metric is then calculated by  
12 dividing unit savings by the total. For Bayside Unit 1,  
13 the weighting factor for average net operating heat rate  
14 is 7.6 percent as shown in the right-hand column on  
15 Document No. 1, page 6. Pages 7 through 11 of Document  
16 No. 1 show the point table, the Fuel Savings/(Loss) and  
17 the equivalent availability or heat rate value. The  
18 individual weighting factor is also shown. For example,  
19 as shown on page 10 of Document No. 1, if Bayside Unit 1,  
20 operates at 7,260 average net operating heat rate, fuel  
21 savings would equal \$1,649,500, and +10 average net  
22 operating heat rate points would be awarded.

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24 The GPIF Reward/Penalty table on page 2 of Document No.  
25 1 is a summary of the tables on pages 7 through 11. The

1 left-hand column of this document shows the incentive  
2 points for Tampa Electric. The center column shows the  
3 total fuel savings and is the same amount as shown on  
4 page 6, column 4, or \$21,602,740. The right-hand column  
5 of page 2 is the estimated reward or penalty based upon  
6 performance.

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8 **Q.** How was the maximum allowed incentive determined?

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10 **A.** Referring to page 3, line 14, the estimated average common  
11 equity for the period January through December 2020 is  
12 \$3,209,099,543. This produces the maximum allowed  
13 jurisdictional incentive of \$10,774,122 shown on line 21.

14  
15 **Q.** Are there any constraints set forth by the Commission  
16 regarding the magnitude of incentive dollars?

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18 **A.** Yes. As Order No. PSC-2013-0665-FOF-EI, issued in Docket  
19 No. 20130001-EI on December 18, 2013 states, incentive  
20 dollars are not to exceed 50 percent of fuel savings.  
21 Page 2 of Document No. 1 demonstrates that this constraint  
22 is met, limiting total potential reward and penalty  
23 incentive dollars to \$10,774,122.

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25 **Q.** Please summarize your direct testimony.

1 **A.** Tampa Electric has complied with the Commission's  
 2 directions, philosophy, and methodology in its  
 3 determination of the GPIF. The GPIF is determined by the  
 4 following formula for calculating Generating Performance  
 5 Incentive Points (GPIP).

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{GPIP} = & (0.0315 \text{ EAP}_{\text{PK1}} + 0.6840 \text{ EAP}_{\text{PK2}} \\
 & + 0.05630 \text{ EAP}_{\text{BAY1}} + 0.0839 \text{ EAP}_{\text{BAY2}} \\
 & + 0.0140 \text{ EAP}_{\text{BB4}} + 0.3596 \text{ HRP}_{\text{PK2}} \\
 & + 0.0764 \text{ HRP}_{\text{BAY1}} + 0.1543 \text{ HRP}_{\text{BAY2}} \\
 & + 0.0443 \text{ HRP}_{\text{BB4}} + 0.1115 \text{ HRP}_{\text{PK1}})
 \end{aligned}$$

12  
 13 Where:

14 GPIF = Generating Performance Incentive Points

15 EAP = Equivalent Availability Points awarded/deducted  
 16 for Polk Units 1 and 2, Bayside Units 1 and 2,  
 17 and Big Bend Unit 4.

18 HRP = Average Net Heat Rate Points awarded/deducted for  
 19 Polk Units 1 and 2, Bayside Units 1 and 2, and  
 20 Big Bend Unit 4.

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 22 **Q.** Have you prepared a document summarizing the GPIF targets  
 23 for the January through December 2020 period?

24  
 25 **A.** Yes. Document No. 2 entitled "Summary of GPIF Targets"

1 provides the availability and heat rate targets for each  
2 unit.

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4 **Q.** Does this conclude your direct testimony?

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6 **A.** Yes, it does.

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1                   **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

2                                   **PREPARED DIRECT TESTIMONY**

3   **OF**

4   **BENJAMIN F. SMITH II**

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6   **Q.**   Please state your name, address, occupation and employer.

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8   **A.**   My name is Benjamin F. Smith II. My business address is  
9           702 North Franklin Street, Tampa, Florida 33602. I am  
10          employed by Tampa Electric Company ("Tampa Electric" or  
11          "company") in the Wholesale Marketing Group within the  
12          Wholesale Marketing & Fuels Department.

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14   **Q.**   Please provide a brief outline of your educational  
15          background and business experience.

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17   **A.**   I received a Bachelor of Science degree in Electric  
18          Engineering in 1991 from the University of South Florida  
19          in Tampa, Florida and a Master of Business Administration  
20          degree in 2015 from Saint Leo University in Saint Leo,  
21          Florida. I am also a registered Professional Engineer  
22          within the State of Florida and a Certified Energy Manager  
23          through the Association of Energy Engineers. I joined  
24          Tampa Electric in 1990 as a cooperative education student.  
25          During my years with the company, I have worked in the

1 areas of transmission engineering, distribution  
2 engineering, resource planning, retail marketing, and  
3 wholesale power marketing. I am currently the Manager,  
4 Gas and Power Origination in the Wholesale Marketing,  
5 Planning and Fuels Department. My responsibilities are to  
6 evaluate short and long-term power purchase and sale  
7 opportunities within the wholesale power market, assist  
8 in wholesale power and gas transportation origination and  
9 contract structures, and assist in combustion by-product  
10 contract administration and market opportunities. In this  
11 capacity, I interact with wholesale power market  
12 participants such as utilities, municipalities, electric  
13 cooperatives, power marketers, and other wholesale  
14 developers and independent power producers.

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16 **Q.** Have you previously testified before the Florida Public  
17 Service Commission ("Commission")?

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19 **A.** Yes. I have submitted written testimony in the annual  
20 fuel docket since 2003, and I testified before this  
21 Commission in Docket Nos. 20030001-EI, 20040001-EI, and  
22 20080001-EI regarding the appropriateness and prudence of  
23 Tampa Electric's wholesale purchases and sales.

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25 **Q.** What is the purpose of your testimony in this proceeding?

1 **A.** The purpose of my testimony is to provide a description  
2 of Tampa Electric's purchased power agreements the  
3 company has entered into and for which it is seeking cost  
4 recovery through the Fuel and Purchased Power Cost  
5 Recovery Clause ("fuel clause") and the Capacity Cost  
6 Recovery Clause. I also describe Tampa Electric's  
7 purchased power strategy for mitigating price and supply-  
8 side risk, while providing customers with a reliable  
9 supply of economically priced purchased power.

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11 **Q.** Please describe the efforts Tampa Electric makes to ensure  
12 that its wholesale purchases and sales activities are  
13 conducted in a reasonable and prudent manner.

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15 **A.** Tampa Electric evaluates potential purchase and sale  
16 opportunities by analyzing the expected available amounts  
17 of generation and power required to meet the projected  
18 demand and energy of its customers. Purchases are made to  
19 achieve reserve margin requirements, meet customers'  
20 demand and energy needs, supplement generation during  
21 unit outages, and for economical purposes. When Tampa  
22 Electric considers making a power purchase, the company  
23 diligently searches for available supplies of wholesale  
24 capacity or energy from creditworthy counterparties. The  
25 objective is to secure reliable quantities of purchased

1 power for customers at the best possible price.

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3 Conversely, when there is a sales opportunity, the company  
4 offers profitable wholesale capacity or energy products  
5 to creditworthy counterparties. The company has wholesale  
6 power purchase and sale transaction enabling agreements  
7 with numerous counterparties. This process helps to  
8 ensure that the company's wholesale purchase and sale  
9 activities are conducted in a reasonable and prudent  
10 manner.

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12 **Q.** Has Tampa Electric reasonably managed its wholesale power  
13 purchases and sales for the benefit of its retail  
14 customers?

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16 **A.** Yes, it has. Tampa Electric has fully complied with, and  
17 continues to fully comply with, the Commission's March  
18 11, 1997 Order, No. PSC-1997-0262-FOF-EI, issued in  
19 Docket No. 19970001-EI, which governs the treatment of  
20 separated and non-separated wholesale sales. The  
21 company's wholesale purchase and sale activities and  
22 transactions are also reviewed and audited on a recurring  
23 basis by the Commission.

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25 In addition, Tampa Electric actively manages its

1 wholesale purchases and sales with the goal of  
2 capitalizing on opportunities to reduce customer costs  
3 and improve reliability. The company monitors its  
4 contractual rights with purchased power suppliers, as  
5 well as with entities to which wholesale power is sold,  
6 to detect and prevent any breach of the company's  
7 contractual rights. Tampa Electric continually strives to  
8 improve its knowledge of wholesale power markets and  
9 available opportunities within the marketplace. The  
10 company uses this knowledge to minimize the costs of  
11 purchased power and to maximize the savings the company  
12 provides retail customers by making wholesale sales when  
13 excess power is available on Tampa Electric's system and  
14 market conditions allow.

15  
16 **Q.** Please describe Tampa Electric's 2019 wholesale power  
17 purchases.

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19 **A.** Tampa Electric assessed the wholesale power market and  
20 entered into short- and long-term purchases based on price  
21 and availability of supply. Approximately six percent of  
22 the company's expected needs for 2019 will be met using  
23 purchased power. This includes economy energy purchases,  
24 reliability purchases, as-available purchases from  
25 qualifying facilities, and forward purchases from Duke

1 Energy Florida (DEF) and the Florida Municipal Power  
2 Agency (FMPA).

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4 Tampa Electric contracted to purchase non-firm energy  
5 from DEF for the period February 2019 through February  
6 2020. Tampa Electric must take the energy during the  
7 months of June through October and has the option to take  
8 energy during the other months. The contract also provides  
9 flexibility to Tampa Electric to increase its purchase  
10 volume at times, which benefits customers as an economic  
11 option at times of high demand or during unit outages.  
12 The DEF purchase agreement provides savings to customers  
13 that flow through the company's optimization mechanism,  
14 which are described in the annual actual fuel docket  
15 reporting and accompanying testimony of Tampa Electric  
16 witness John C. Heisey.

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18 Tampa Electric entered a purchase agreement for non-firm  
19 energy with FMPA for the period May 2019 through October  
20 2019. The FMPA purchase also provides savings to customers  
21 through the company's optimization mechanism.

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23 Tampa Electric has not secured other forward purchases  
24 for 2019 at this time. However, the company constantly  
25 searches for economic purchase opportunities that benefit

1 customers. As other purchase opportunities materialize,  
2 the company evaluates each product to determine the  
3 viability of making it part of the supply portfolio Tampa  
4 Electric uses to serve customers.

5  
6 **Q.** Does Tampa Electric anticipate entering into new  
7 wholesale power purchases for 2020 and beyond?

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9 **A.** Similar to 2019, the company anticipates entering into  
10 new short-term power purchases for 2020. Furthermore,  
11 Tampa Electric will continue to evaluate its options  
12 beyond 2020 as well. The company's evaluation includes  
13 the review of new short- and long-term capacity and energy  
14 purchases and considers existing and anticipated system  
15 and market conditions. The goal of the evaluation is to  
16 identify and, if possible, secure, economic purchases  
17 that bring value to customers for the year 2020 and  
18 beyond. Currently, Tampa Electric expects purchased power  
19 to meet approximately one percent of its 2020 energy  
20 needs.

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22 **Q.** How does Tampa Electric mitigate the risk of disruptions  
23 to its purchased power supplies during major weather-  
24 related events, such as hurricanes?

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1 **A.** During hurricane season, Tampa Electric continues to  
2 utilize a purchased power risk management strategy to  
3 minimize potential power supply disruptions. The strategy  
4 includes monitoring storm activity; evaluating the impact  
5 of storms on existing forward purchases and the rest of  
6 the wholesale power market; communicating with suppliers  
7 about their storm preparations and potential impacts to  
8 existing transactions, purchasing additional power on the  
9 forward market, if applicable, for reliability and  
10 economics; evaluating transmission availability and the  
11 geographic location of electric resources; reviewing  
12 sellers' fuel sources and dual-fuel capabilities; and  
13 focusing on fuel-diversified purchases. Absent the threat  
14 of a hurricane, and for all other months of the year, the  
15 company evaluates economic combinations of short- and  
16 long-term purchase opportunities in the marketplace.

17  
18 **Q.** Please describe Tampa Electric's wholesale energy sales  
19 for 2019 and 2020.

20  
21 **A.** Tampa Electric entered into various non-separated  
22 wholesale sales in 2019, and the company anticipates  
23 making additional non-separated sales during the balance  
24 of 2019 and 2020. The gains from these sales are  
25 distributed to Tampa Electric and its customers in

1           accordance with the company's optimization mechanism.

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3   **Q.**   Please summarize your direct testimony.

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5   **A.**   Tampa Electric monitors and assesses the wholesale power  
6           market to identify and take advantage of opportunities in  
7           the marketplace, and these efforts benefit the company's  
8           customers. Tampa Electric's energy supply strategy  
9           includes self-generation and short- and long-term power  
10          purchases. The company purchases in both physical forward  
11          and spot wholesale power markets to provide customers with  
12          a reliable supply at the lowest possible cost. In addition  
13          to the cost benefits, this purchased power approach  
14          employs a diversified physical power supply strategy that  
15          enhances reliability. The company also enters into  
16          wholesale sales that benefit customers when market  
17          conditions allow.

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19   **Q.**   Does this conclude your direct testimony?

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21   **A.**   Yes, it does.

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1                   **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

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3   **OF**

4   **JOHN C. HEISEY**

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6   **Q.**   Please state your name, address, occupation and employer.

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8   **A.**   My name is John C. Heisey. My business address is 702 N.  
9           Franklin Street, Tampa, Florida 33602. I am employed by  
10           Tampa Electric Company ("Tampa Electric" or "company") as  
11           Manager, Gas and Power Trading.

12  
13   **Q.**   Please provide a brief outline of your educational  
14           background and business experience.

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16   **A.**   I graduated from Pennsylvania State University with a  
17           Bachelor of Science in Business Logistics. I have over 25  
18           years of power and natural gas trading experience,  
19           including employment at TECO Energy Source, FPL Energy  
20           Services, El Paso Energy, and International Paper. Prior  
21           to joining Tampa Electric, I was Vice President of Asset  
22           Trading for the Entegra Power Group LLC ("Entegra") where  
23           I was responsible for Entegra's energy trading  
24           activities. Entegra managed a large quantity of merchant  
25           capacity in bilateral and organized markets. I joined

1 Tampa Electric in September 2016 as the Manager of Gas  
2 and Power Trading and currently hold that position. I am  
3 responsible for all natural gas and power trading  
4 activities and work closely with Unit Commitment to  
5 provide low cost, reliable power to our customers. In  
6 addition, I am responsible for portfolio optimization and  
7 all aspects of the Optimization Mechanism.

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9 **Q.** Please state the purpose of your testimony.

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11 **A.** The purpose of my testimony is to present, for the  
12 Commission's review, the 2018 results of Tampa Electric's  
13 activities under the Optimization Mechanism, as  
14 authorized by FPSC Order No. PSC-2017-0456-S-EI, issued  
15 in Docket No. 20160160-EI on November 27, 2017.

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17 **Q.** Do you wish to sponsor an exhibit in support of your  
18 testimony?

19  
20 **A.** Yes. Exhibit No. JCH-1, entitled Optimization Mechanism  
21 Results, was prepared under my direction and supervision.  
22 My exhibit demonstrates the gains for each type of  
23 activity included in the Optimization Mechanism and the  
24 gains sharing between customers and the company.

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1 Q. Please provide an overview of the Optimization Mechanism.

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3 A. The Optimization Mechanism is designed to create  
4 additional value for Tampa Electric's customers while  
5 also providing an incentive to the company if certain  
6 customer-value thresholds are achieved. The Optimization  
7 Mechanism includes gains from wholesale power sales and  
8 savings from wholesale power purchases, as well as gains  
9 from other forms of asset optimization.

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11 Q. Please describe Tampa Electric's Optimization Mechanism  
12 submitted in Docket No. 20160160-EI and approved by Order  
13 No. PSC-2017-0456-S-EI.

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15 A. Effective January 1, 2018, for the four-year period from  
16 2018 through 2021, gains on all optimization mechanism  
17 activities, including short-term wholesale sales, short-  
18 term wholesale purchases, and all forms of asset  
19 optimization undertaken each year will be shared between  
20 shareholders and customers. The sharing thresholds are  
21 (a) for the first \$4.5 million per year, 100 percent of  
22 gains to customers; (b) for gains greater than \$4.5  
23 million per year and less than \$8.0 million per year,  
24 split 60 percent to shareholders and 40 percent to  
25 customers; and (c) for gains greater than \$8.0 million

1 per year, 50-50 sharing between shareholders and  
2 customers.

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4 **Optimization Mechanism Transactions**

5 **Q.** Please provide the details of Tampa Electric's short-term  
6 wholesale sales under the Optimization Mechanism for  
7 2018.

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9 **A.** Optimization Mechanism gains from wholesale sales were  
10 \$2,546,558 or 40 percent of Optimization Gains for 2018.  
11 The monthly detail is shown in my exhibit in the schedule  
12 "Wholesale Sales-Table 3."

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14 **Q.** Please provide the details of Tampa Electric's short-term  
15 wholesale purchases under the Optimization Mechanism for  
16 2018.

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18 **A.** Optimization Mechanism gains from wholesales purchases  
19 were \$2,973,160 or 47 percent of Optimization Gains for  
20 2018. The monthly detail can be found in my exhibit on  
21 the schedule labeled "Wholesale Purchases-Table 4."

22  
23 **Q.** Please describe Tampa Electric's asset optimization  
24 activities and the gains from those transactions under  
25 the Optimization Mechanism for 2018.

1 **A.** Optimization Mechanism gains from asset optimization  
2 activities were \$847,539 or 13 percent of Optimization  
3 Gains for 2018. The gains from asset optimization  
4 activities are shown in my exhibit at "Asset Optimization  
5 Detail-Table 5."

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7 A description of the asset optimization activities in  
8 which Tampa Electric engaged during 2018 is provided  
9 below.

- 10 • Gas storage utilization - release contracted storage  
11 space or sell stored gas during non-critical demand  
12 seasons;
- 13 • Delivered gas sales using existing transport - sell  
14 gas to Florida customers, using Tampa Electric's  
15 existing gas transportation capacity during periods  
16 when it is not needed to serve Tampa Electric's  
17 native electric load;
- 18 • Delivered solid fuel and or transportation capacity  
19 sales using existing transport - sell coal and coal  
20 transportation to Florida industrial customers,  
21 using Tampa Electric's existing coal and  
22 transportation capacity during periods when it is  
23 not needed to serve Tampa Electric's native electric  
24 load;
- 25 • Asset Management Agreement ("AMA") - outsource



1 optimization functions to a third party through  
2 assignment of power, transportation and/or storage  
3 rights in exchange for a premium to be paid to Tampa  
4 Electric.

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6 **Q.** Please summarize the activities and results of the  
7 Optimization Mechanism for 2018.

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9 **A.** Tampa Electric participated in the following Optimization  
10 Mechanism activities in 2018: wholesale power purchases  
11 and sales, gas storage utilization, delivered gas sales,  
12 delivered solid fuel sales, and natural gas storage AMAs.  
13 The Optimization Gains for 2018 were \$6,367,256 which  
14 exceeded the \$4,500,000 threshold by \$1,867,256 as shown  
15 in my exhibit on schedule "Total Gains Threshold Schedule-  
16 Table 1". Customer benefits were \$5,246,902, and company  
17 benefits were \$1,120,353 in 2018.

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19 **Q.** Did Tampa Electric incur incremental Optimization  
20 Mechanism costs during 2018?

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22 **A.** Tampa Electric incurred incremental Optimization  
23 Mechanism personnel costs to establish processes and  
24 manage these new activities. However, the company agreed  
25 that it would not seek recovery of these costs if the

1 Optimization Mechanism was approved and therefore has not  
2 tracked the costs.

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4 **Q.** Overall, were Tampa Electric's activities under the  
5 Optimization Mechanism successful in 2018?

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7 **A.** Yes, Tampa Electric produced customer gains of \$5,246,902  
8 in the first year of Optimization Mechanism activity. The  
9 company is also optimistic about increasing future  
10 customer gains through continued improvements in  
11 processes, reporting, and optimization strategies.

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13 Tampa Electric began 2018 with significant gains on both  
14 power and gas activities in January as cold weather  
15 provided some optimization opportunities. Wholesale power  
16 sales were consistent in most months during the year,  
17 while wholesale power purchases increased during typical  
18 spring and fall outage seasons when purchased power from  
19 the market was less than the cost of the company's  
20 generation. Natural gas storage AMA activity was  
21 initiated in 2018, with a short-term trial with one  
22 company and then the selection of a longer-term AMA  
23 partner following an RFP process.

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25 Despite the success of the program in 2018, without the

1 gains resulting from activities allowed by the very cold  
2 weather in January 2018, the gains would be close to the  
3 \$4,500,000 customer-value threshold, leaving the company  
4 with minimal gains relative to the risk incurred to  
5 operate the Optimization Mechanism.

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7 **Q.** Does this conclude your testimony?

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9 **A.** Yes, it does.

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4                   **JOHN C. HEISEY**

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6   **Q.**   Please state your name, address, occupation and employer.

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8   **A.**   My name is John C. Heisey. My business address is 702 N.  
9           Franklin Street, Tampa, Florida 33602. I am employed by  
10          Tampa Electric Company ("Tampa Electric" or "company") as  
11          Manager, Gas and Power Trading.

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13   **Q.**   Have you previously filed testimony in Docket No.  
14          20190001-EI?

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16   **A.**   Yes, I submitted direct testimony on March 1, 2019.

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18   **Q.**   Has your job description, education, or professional  
19          experience changed since your most recent testimony?

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21   **A.**   No, it has not.

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23   **Q.**   What is the purpose of your testimony?

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25   **A.**   The purpose of my testimony is to discuss Tampa Electric's

1 fuel mix, fuel price forecasts, potential impacts to fuel  
2 prices, and the company's fuel procurement strategies.

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4 **Fuel Mix and Procurement Strategies**

5 **Q.** What fuels do Tampa Electric's generating stations use?

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7 **A.** Tampa Electric's fuel mix includes natural gas, coal,  
8 solar, and, as a backup fuel, oil. Big Bend Units 1 and  
9 2 can operate on natural gas, and Big Bend Units 3 and 4  
10 can operate on coal or natural gas. Polk Unit 1 can  
11 operate on a blend of petroleum coke and coal or on  
12 natural gas. Currently, the company is operating Big Bend  
13 Units 1 through 3 and Polk Unit 1 on natural gas and Big  
14 Bend Unit 4 on coal. Polk Unit 2 combined cycle uses  
15 natural gas as a primary fuel and oil as a secondary fuel;  
16 and Bayside Station combined cycle units and the company's  
17 collection of peakers (*i.e.*, aero-derivative combustion  
18 turbines) all utilize natural gas. Since it serves as a  
19 backup fuel, oil consumption is primarily for testing,  
20 and oil is a negligible percentage of system generation.  
21 During 2019, continued low natural gas prices equate to  
22 lower fuel prices for customers. Based upon the 2019  
23 actual-estimate projections, the company expects 2019  
24 total system generation, excluding purchased power, to be  
25 90 percent natural gas, 6 percent coal, and 4 percent

1 solar.

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3 Likewise, in 2020, natural gas-fired and coal-fired  
4 generation are expected to be 89 percent and 4 percent of  
5 total generation, respectively, with solar facilities  
6 making up 7 percent of total generation.

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8 **Q.** Please describe Tampa Electric's fuel supply procurement  
9 strategy.

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11 **A.** Tampa Electric emphasizes flexibility and options in its  
12 fuel procurement strategy for all its fuel needs. The  
13 company strives to maintain many credit worthy and viable  
14 suppliers. Similarly, the company endeavors to maintain  
15 multiple delivery path options. Tampa Electric also  
16 attempts to diversify the locations from which its supply  
17 is sourced. Having a greater number of fuel supply and  
18 delivery options provides increased reliability and  
19 flexibility to pursue lower cost options for Tampa  
20 Electric customers.

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22 **Coal Supply Strategy**

23 **Q.** Please describe Tampa Electric's solid fuel usage and  
24 procurement strategy.

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1     **A.**    The steam turbine units at Big Bend Station are designed  
2            to burn high-sulfur Illinois Basin coal and are fully  
3            scrubbed for sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxides, and the  
4            units have been upgraded to operate on natural gas. Polk  
5            Unit 1 can burn a blend of petroleum coke and low sulfur  
6            coal, or natural gas. Each plant has varying operational  
7            and environmental restrictions and requires solid fuel  
8            with custom quality characteristics such as ash content,  
9            fusion temperature, sulfur content, heat content, and  
10           chlorine content.

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12           Coal is not a homogenous product. The fuel's chemistry  
13           and contents vary based on many factors, including  
14           geography. The variability of the product dictates Tampa  
15           Electric select its fuel based on multiple parameters.  
16           Those parameters include unique coal characteristics,  
17           price, availability, deliverability, and credit  
18           worthiness of the supplier.

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20           To minimize costs, maintain operational flexibility, and  
21           ensure reliable supply, Tampa Electric typically  
22           maintains a portfolio of bilateral coal supply contracts  
23           with varying term lengths. Tampa Electric monitors the  
24           market to obtain the most favorable prices from sources  
25           that meet the needs of the generation stations. The use

1 of daily and weekly publications, independent research  
2 analyses from industry experts, discussions with  
3 suppliers, and coal solicitations aid the company in  
4 monitoring the coal market. This market intelligence also  
5 helps shape the company's coal procurement strategy to  
6 reflect short- and long-term market conditions. Tampa  
7 Electric's strategy provides a stable supply of reliable  
8 fuel sources. In addition, this strategy allows the  
9 company the flexibility to take advantage of favorable  
10 spot market opportunities and address operational needs.

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12 **Q.** Please summarize how Tampa Electric will manage its solid  
13 fuel supply contracts through 2020.

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15 **A.** Since the company is projected to use less coal and more  
16 natural gas in 2020 compared to previous years, Tampa  
17 Electric will supply the Big Bend and Polk Stations with  
18 solid fuel through a combination of existing inventory,  
19 short-term contracts and spot purchases. The short-term  
20 and spot purchases allow the company to adjust supply to  
21 reflect changing coal quality and quantity needs,  
22 operational changes, and pricing opportunities.

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24 **Coal Transportation**

25 **Q.** Please describe Tampa Electric's solid fuel



1 transportation arrangements.

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3 **A.** Tampa Electric can receive coal at its Big Bend Station  
4 via waterborne or rail delivery. Once delivered to Big  
5 Bend Station, solid fuel is consumed onsite, or blended  
6 and trucked to Polk Station for consumption in Polk Unit  
7 1.

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9 **Q.** Why does the company maintain multiple coal  
10 transportation options in its portfolio?

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12 **A.** Bimodal solid fuel transportation to Big Bend Station  
13 affords the company and its customers various benefits.  
14 Those benefits include 1) access to more potential coal  
15 suppliers, which results in a more competitively priced,  
16 and diverse, delivered coal portfolio; 2) the opportunity  
17 to switch to either water or rail in the event of a  
18 transportation breakdown or interruption on the other  
19 mode; and 3) competition among transporters for future  
20 solid fuel transportation contracts.

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22 **Q.** Will Tampa Electric continue to receive coal deliveries  
23 via rail in 2019 and 2020?

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25 **A.** Yes. Tampa Electric expects to receive coal for use at

1 Big Bend Station through the Big Bend rail facility during  
2 2019 and is evaluating how much coal to receive by rail  
3 in 2020.

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5 **Q.** Please describe Tampa Electric's expectations regarding  
6 waterborne coal deliveries.

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8 **A.** Tampa Electric expects to receive solid fuel supply from  
9 waterborne deliveries to its unloading facilities at Big  
10 Bend Station. These deliveries come via the Mississippi  
11 River System through United Bulk Terminal or from foreign  
12 sources. The ultimate supply source is dependent upon  
13 quality, operational needs, and lowest overall delivered  
14 cost.

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16 **Q.** Do you have any other updates to provide regarding Tampa  
17 Electric's solid fuel transportation portfolio?

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19 **A.** The continued trend of an abundant volume of natural gas  
20 available at historically low prices results in Tampa  
21 Electric's continued use of natural gas in the dual-fueled  
22 Big Bend and Polk units. In addition, the company's  
23 strategy of utilizing short-term and spot solid fuel  
24 purchases allows Tampa Electric to reduce its solid fuel  
25 deliveries going forward, which aligns well with the

1 economical use of natural gas. As a result, Tampa Electric  
2 will contract for fewer tons of solid fuel supply and  
3 transportation in the remainder of 2019 and 2020 than in  
4 previous years.

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6 **Q.** Please describe any other significant factors that Tampa  
7 Electric considered in developing its 2020 solid fuel  
8 supply portfolio.

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10 **A.** Tampa Electric continues to place emphasis on flexibility  
11 in its solid fuel supply portfolio. The company recognizes  
12 that several factors may impact the annual consumption of  
13 solid fuel. These factors include the relative price of  
14 delivered solid fuel compared to the delivered natural  
15 gas and wholesale power markets. Thus, the actual quantity  
16 of solid fuel burned may vary significantly each year. In  
17 developing its solid fuel portfolio, Tampa Electric  
18 strives to balance the need to have reliable solid fuel  
19 commodity supplies and transportation while mitigating  
20 the potential for significant shortfall penalties if the  
21 commodity or transportation is not needed.

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23 **Natural Gas Supply Strategy**

24 **Q.** How does Tampa Electric's natural gas procurement and  
25 transportation strategy achieve competitive natural gas

1 purchase prices for long- and short-term deliveries?

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3 **A.** Like its coal strategy, Tampa Electric uses a portfolio  
4 approach to natural gas procurement. This approach  
5 consists of a blend of pre-arranged base, intermediate,  
6 and swing natural gas supply contracts complemented with  
7 shorter term spot and seasonal purchases. The contracts  
8 have various time lengths to help secure needed supply at  
9 competitive prices and maintain the ability to take  
10 advantage of favorable natural gas price movements. Tampa  
11 Electric purchases its physical natural gas supply from  
12 creditworthy counterparties, enhancing the liquidity and  
13 diversification of its natural gas supply portfolio. The  
14 natural gas prices are based on monthly and daily price  
15 indices, further increasing pricing diversification.

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17 Tampa Electric diversifies its pipeline transportation  
18 assets, including receipt points. The company also  
19 utilizes pipeline and storage services to enhance access  
20 to natural gas supply during hurricanes or other events  
21 that constrain supply. Such actions improve the  
22 reliability and cost-effectiveness of the physical  
23 delivery of natural gas to the company's power plants.  
24 Furthermore, Tampa Electric strives daily to obtain  
25 reliable supplies of natural gas at favorable prices in

1 order to mitigate costs to its customers.

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3 **Q.** Please describe Tampa Electric's diversified natural gas  
4 transportation agreements.

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6 **A.** Tampa Electric currently receives natural gas via the  
7 Florida Gas Transmission ("FGT") and Gulfstream Natural  
8 Gas System, LLC ("Gulfstream") pipelines. Tampa Electric  
9 has added the ability to receive a portion of its gas via  
10 the recently constructed Sabal Trail Transmission ("Sabal  
11 Trail") gas pipeline. The ability to deliver natural gas  
12 directly from three pipelines increases the fuel delivery  
13 reliability for Bayside Power Station, which is composed  
14 of two large natural gas combined-cycle units and four  
15 aero-derivative combustion turbines. Natural gas can also  
16 be delivered to Big Bend Station from Gulfstream and Sabal  
17 Trail (via Gulfstream backhaul) to support the station's  
18 steam generating units and aero-derivative combustion  
19 turbine. Polk Station receives natural gas from FGT to  
20 support Polk Unit 2 and, as an alternate fuel, Polk Unit  
21 1. The addition of Sabal Trail to the company's delivery  
22 options enhances reliability, supply, price, and location  
23 diversity.

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25 **Q.** Are there any significant changes to Tampa Electric's

1 expected natural gas usage?

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3 **A.** Tampa Electric's natural gas usage is expected to remain  
4 stable in 2020. The strategy of burning economical natural  
5 gas in dual-fueled units continues to provide lower  
6 overall costs to customers.

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8 **Q.** What actions does Tampa Electric take to enhance the  
9 reliability of its natural gas supply?

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11 **A.** Tampa Electric maintains natural gas storage capacity  
12 with Bay Gas Storage near Mobile, Alabama to provide  
13 operational flexibility and reliability of natural gas  
14 supply. The company reserves 2,000,000 MMBtu of long-term  
15 storage capacity in two locations.

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17 In addition to storage, Tampa Electric maintains  
18 diversified natural gas supply receipt points in FGT Zones  
19 1, 2, and 3. Diverse receipt points reduce the company's  
20 vulnerability to hurricane impacts and provide access to  
21 potentially lower priced gas supply.

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23 Tampa Electric also reserves capacity on the Southeast  
24 Supply Header ("SESH") and Transco's Mobile Bay Lateral  
25 ("Transco"). SESH and Transco connect the receipt points

1 of FGT, Gulfstream and other Mobile Bay area pipelines  
2 with natural gas supply in the mid-continent and  
3 northeast. Mid-continent and northeast natural gas  
4 production, specifically shale production, has grown and  
5 continues to increase. Thus, SESH and Transco capacity  
6 give Tampa Electric access to secure, competitively  
7 priced onshore gas supply for a portion of its portfolio.

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9 **Q.** Has Tampa Electric acquired additional natural gas  
10 transportation for 2019 and 2020 due to greater use of  
11 natural gas?

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13 **A.** Yes, with the continued low price of natural gas and the  
14 company's growing demand for natural gas for electric  
15 generation purposes, the company acquires daily, seasonal  
16 and longer-term pipeline capacity to support the  
17 company's portfolio of gas-fired generation assets. In  
18 particular, in 2019, Tampa Electric acquired 20,000 MMBtu  
19 per day of additional seasonal pipeline capacity, on Sabal  
20 Trail. This capacity provides additional diversification  
21 of pipelines and gas supply receipt points.

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23 **Q.** Has Tampa Electric reasonably managed its fuel  
24 procurement practices for the benefit of its retail  
25 customers?

1 **A.** Yes, Tampa Electric diligently manages its mix of long-  
2 term, intermediate, and short-term purchases of fuel in  
3 a manner designed to reduce overall fuel costs while  
4 maintaining electric service reliability. The company's  
5 fuel activities and transactions are reviewed and audited  
6 on a recurring basis by the Commission. In addition, the  
7 company monitors its rights under contracts with fuel  
8 suppliers to detect and prevent any breach of those  
9 rights. Tampa Electric continually strives to improve its  
10 knowledge of fuel markets and to take advantage of  
11 opportunities to minimize the costs of fuel.

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13 **Q.** Have there been other changes in the management of Tampa  
14 Electric's fuel supply portfolio?

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16 **A.** Yes, as part of Tampa Electric's 2017 Amended and Restated  
17 Stipulation and Settlement Agreement approved by  
18 Commission Order No. PSC-2017-0456-S-EI, issued on  
19 November 27, 2017 in Docket No. 20170210-EI, Tampa  
20 Electric has been operating under an Asset Optimization  
21 Mechanism since January 1, 2018. This Optimization  
22 Mechanism encourages Tampa Electric to market temporarily  
23 unused fuel supply assets to capture cost mitigation  
24 benefits for customers. These benefits have come through  
25 economic power purchases, economic power sales, resale of



1 unneeded fuel supply, an asset management agreement for  
2 natural gas storage, and utilization of natural gas and  
3 solid fuel storage and transportation assets.

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5 **Projected 2020 Fuel Prices**

6 **Q.** How does Tampa Electric project fuel prices?

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8 **A.** Tampa Electric reviews fuel price forecasts from sources  
9 widely used in the industry, including the New York  
10 Mercantile Exchange ("NYMEX"), PIRA Energy, the Energy  
11 Information Administration, and other energy market  
12 information sources. Future prices for energy commodities  
13 as traded on NYMEX, averaged over five consecutive  
14 business days in May 2019, form the basis of the natural  
15 gas and No. 2 oil market commodity price forecasts. The  
16 price projections for these two commodities are then  
17 adjusted to incorporate expected transportation costs and  
18 location differences.

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20 Coal prices and coal transportation prices are projected  
21 using contracted pricing and information from industry  
22 recognized consultants and published indices, such as  
23 Doyle Trading Consultants and *Coal Daily*. Also, the price  
24 projections are specific to the particular quality and  
25 mined location of coal utilized by Tampa Electric's Big

1 Bend Station and Polk Unit 1. Final as-burned prices are  
2 derived using expected commodity prices and associated  
3 transportation costs.

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5 **Q.** How do the 2020 projected fuel prices compare to the fuel  
6 prices projected for 2019 in the company's mid-course  
7 correction filing?

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9 **A.** Large quantities of domestic shale-related production are  
10 keeping natural gas prices low. The commodity price for  
11 natural gas during 2020 is projected to be lower (\$2.77  
12 per MMBtu) than the 2019 price (\$3.29 per MMBtu) projected  
13 in the company's mid-course correction fuel filing. Coal  
14 prices, however, are trending higher. The 2020 coal  
15 commodity price projection is slightly higher (\$39.52 per  
16 ton) than the price projected for 2019 (\$37.81 per ton)  
17 during preparation of the 2019 mid-course correction fuel  
18 clause factors. International demand for coal is  
19 elevating coal prices despite minimal domestic demand.

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21 **Q.** Does this conclude your direct testimony?

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23 **A.** Yes, it does.  
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1                                   **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

2   **COMMISSION STAFF**

3   **DIRECT TESTIMONY OF INTESAR TERKAWI**

4   **DOCKET NO. 20190001-EI**

5   **SEPTEMBER 13, 2019**

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7   **Q.     Please state your name and business address.**

8   A.     My name is Intesar Terkawi. My business address is 1313 N. Tampa Street, Suite 220,  
9 Tampa, Florida 33602.

10 **Q.     By whom are you presently employed and in what capacity?**

11 A.     I am employed by the Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC or Commission) as a  
12 Public Utility Analyst in the Office of Auditing and Performance Analysis. I have been  
13 employed by the Commission since October 2001.

14 **Q.     Briefly review your educational and professional background.**

15 A.     In 1995, I received a Master Degree of Arts with a major in Communications from the  
16 University of Central Florida. In 2001, I received a Bachelor of Science Degree from the  
17 University of Central Florida with a major in accounting. I am also a Certified Public  
18 Accountant.

19 **Q.     Please describe your current responsibilities.**

20 A.     My responsibilities consist of planning and conducting utility audits of manual and  
21 automated accounting systems for historical and forecasted data.

22 **Q.     Have you previously presented testimony before this Commission?**

23 A.     Yes. I filed testimony in the Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Recovery Clause, Docket  
24 Nos. 20140001-EI, 20150001-EI, 20160001-EI, 20170001-EI, and 20180001-EI.

25 **Q.     What is the purpose of your testimony today?**

1 A. The purpose of my testimony is to sponsor the staff auditor's report of Tampa Electric  
2 Company (TECO or Utility) which addresses the Utility's filing in Docket No. 20190001-EI,  
3 Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Recovery Clause, for costs associated with its hedging  
4 activities. We issued an auditor's report in this docket for the hedging activities on September  
5 6, 2019. This report is filed with my testimony and is identified as Exhibit IT-1.

6 **Q. Was this audit prepared by you or under your direction?**

7 A. Yes, it was prepared by me.

8 **Q. Please describe the work performed in this audit.**

9 A. I have separated the audit work into several categories.

10 Accounting Treatment

11 We obtained TECO's supporting detail of the hedging settlements for the months of  
12 August through November 2018. TECO's hedging activities ceased in November 2018. The  
13 supporting documentation was traced to the general ledger transaction detail. We verified that  
14 the accounting treatment for hedging transactions and transaction costs is consistent with  
15 Commission orders relating to hedging activities. The Utility did not enter into any new  
16 contracts between August 1, 2018 and July 31, 2019. No exceptions were noted.

17 Gains and Losses

18 We traced the monthly balances of hedging transactions from TECO's Hedging  
19 Information Report to its Mark to Market Position Report for the period August 1, 2018, to  
20 November 30, 2018. We selected all gas hedging transactions for August through November  
21 2018 and traced them from the Mark to Market Position Report to the third-party confirmation  
22 notices and contracts. We traced a sample of the purchase prices to the Gas Daily – NYMEX  
23 Henry Hub gas futures contract rates. We traced the related settlements prices to the Gas  
24 Daily – NYMEX Henry Hub gas futures contract rate. We recalculated the gains and losses  
25 and traced them to the Utility's journal entries for realized gains and losses. No exceptions

1 | were noted.

2 | Hedged Volume and Limits

3 | We reviewed the quantity limits and authorizations. We also obtained TECO's  
4 | analysis of the monthly percent of fuel hedged in relation to fuel burned for August through  
5 | November 2018, and compared them to the Utility's 2016 Risk Management Plan. No  
6 | exceptions were noted.

7 | Separation of Duties

8 | We reviewed TECO's written procedures for separation of duties related to hedging  
9 | activities. There were no internal or external audits related to hedging activities. No  
10 | exceptions were noted.

11 | **Q. Please review the audit findings in this report.**

12 | **A.** There were no findings in this audit related to hedging activities.

13 | **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

14 | **A.** Yes.

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1                                   **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

2   **COMMISSION STAFF**

3   **DIRECT TESTIMONY OF SIMON O. OJADA**

4   **DOCKET NO. 20190001-EI**

5   **SEPTEMBER 13, 2019**

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7   **Q.     Please state your name and business address.**

8   A.     My name is Simon O. Ojada. My business address is 1313 N. Tampa Street, Suite  
9   220, Tampa, Florida 33602.

10 **Q.     By whom are you presently employed and in what capacity?**

11 A.     I am employed by the Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC or Commission) as a  
12 Public Utility Analyst in the Office of Auditing and Performance Analysis. I have been  
13 employed by the Commission since April 1997.

14 **Q.     Briefly review your educational and professional background.**

15 A.     I received a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of South Florida with a  
16 major in Finance in 1991, a Bachelor of Science Degree from Florida Metropolitan University  
17 with a major in Accounting in 1994, and a Master of Business Administration with a  
18 concentration in Accounting in 1997.

19 **Q.     Please describe your current responsibilities.**

20 A.     My responsibilities consist of planning and conducting utility audits of manual and  
21 automated accounting systems for historical and forecasted data.

22 **Q.     Have you previously presented testimony before this Commission?**

23 A.     Yes. I filed testimony in the Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Recovery Clause, Docket  
24 Nos. 20130001-EI, 20140001-EI, 20150001-EI, 20160001-EI, 20170001-EI, and 20180001-  
25 EI.



1 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony today?**

2 A. The purpose of my testimony is to sponsor the staff auditor's report of Duke Energy  
3 Florida, LLC (DEF or Utility) which addresses the Utility's filing in Docket No. 20190001-EI,  
4 Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Recovery Clause, for costs associated with its hedging  
5 activities. We issued an auditor's report in this docket for the hedging activities on September  
6 3, 2019. This report is filed with my testimony and is identified as Exhibit SOO-1.

7 **Q. Was this audit prepared by you or under your direction?**

8 A. Yes, it was prepared by me.

9 **Q. Please describe the work performed in this audit.**

10 A. I have separated the audit work into several categories.

11 Accounting Treatment

12 We obtained DEF's supporting detail of the hedging settlements for the 12 months  
13 ended July 31, 2019. The support documentation was reconciled to the general ledger  
14 transaction detail. We verified that the accounting treatment for hedging transactions and  
15 transaction costs is consistent with Commission orders relating to hedging activities. The  
16 Utility did not enter into any new contracts between August 1, 2018 and July 31, 2019. No  
17 exceptions were noted.

18 Gains and Losses

19 We reconciled the monthly balances of hedging transactions from DEF's Hedging  
20 Details Report for the period August 1, 2018, through July 31, 2019, to its Hedging Summary  
21 by Commodity Reports for 2018 and 2019. DEF completed its outstanding hedging  
22 transaction settlements as of March 31, 2019. We reviewed existing tolling agreements  
23 whereby the Utility's natural gas is provided to generators under purchased power agreements.  
24 We selected 20 natural gas hedging transactions from September 2018 through December  
25 2018 as a sample. We reconciled the selected samples from the Hedging Details Report to

1 the third-party confirmation notices and contracts. We reconciled the gains and losses to the  
2 Utility's journal entries. We compared the price on the confirmation notice to the price  
3 published by the NYMEX Henry Hub gas futures contract rates. No exceptions were noted.

4 Hedged Volume and Limits

5 We reviewed the quantity limits and authorizations for all hedged fuel types in  
6 compliance with the 2016 Risk Management Plan. No exceptions were noted.

7 Separation of Duties

8 We reviewed the Utility's procedures for separating duties related to hedging  
9 activities. We reviewed the Utility Audit Services Department's evaluations for the 12  
10 months ending December 31, 2018, for the Regulated Fuels Inventory Management Process  
11 and the Regulated Trading Cycle. There were no external or internal audits on hedging  
12 activities during the test period. No exceptions were noted.

13 **Q. Please review the audit findings in this report.**

14 A. There were no findings in this audit related to hedging activities.

15 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

16 A. Yes.

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1                   **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

2                                   **COMMISSION STAFF**

3                                   **DIRECT TESTIMONY OF DEBRA DOBIAC**

4                                   **DOCKET NO. 20190001-EI**

5                                   **SEPTEMBER 13, 2019**

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7   **Q.     Please state your name and business address.**

8   A.     My name is Debra M. Dobiac. My business address is 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard,  
9   Tallahassee, Florida, 32399.

10 **Q.     By whom are you presently employed and in what capacity?**

11 A.     I am employed by the Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC or Commission) as a  
12 Public Utility Analyst in the Office of Auditing and Performance Analysis. I have been  
13 employed by the Commission since January 2008.

14 **Q.     Briefly review your educational and professional background.**

15 A.     I graduated with honors from Lakeland College in 1993 and have a Bachelor of Arts  
16 degree in accounting. Prior to my work at the Commission, I worked for six years in internal  
17 auditing at the Kohler Company and First American Title Insurance Company. I also have  
18 approximately 12 years of experience as an accounting manager and controller.

19 **Q.     Please describe your current responsibilities.**

20 A.     My responsibilities consist of planning and conducting utility audits of manual and  
21 automated accounting systems for historical and forecasted data.

22 **Q.     Have you previously presented testimony before this Commission?**

23 A.     Yes. I testified in the Aqua Utilities Florida, Inc. Rate Case, Docket No. 20080121-  
24 WS, the Water Management Services, Inc. Rate Case, Docket No. 20110200-WU, and the  
25 Utilities, Inc. of Florida Rate Case, Docket No. 20160101-WS. I also provided testimony for

1 the Water Management Services, Inc. Rate Case, Docket No. 20100104-WU, the Gulf Power  
2 Company Rate Cases, Docket Nos. 20110138-EI and 20130140-EI, and the Gulf Power  
3 Company Hedging Activities, Docket Nos. 20130001-EI, 20140001-EI, the Florida Power &  
4 Light Company Hedging Activities, Docket No. 20180001-EI, and the Florida Public Utilities  
5 Company's petition for limited proceeding to recover incremental storm restoration costs,  
6 Docket No. 20180061-EI.

7 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony today?**

8 A. The purpose of my testimony is to sponsor the staff auditor's report of Gulf Power  
9 Company (Gulf or Utility) which addresses the Utility's filing in Docket No. 20190001-EI,  
10 Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Recovery Clause, for costs associated with its hedging  
11 activities. We issued an auditor's report in this docket for the hedging activities on August 28,  
12 2019. This report is filed with my testimony and is identified as Exhibit DMD-1.

13 **Q. Was this audit prepared by you or under your direction?**

14 A. Yes, it was prepared by me.

15 **Q. Please describe the work you performed in this audit.**

16 A. I have separated the audit work into several categories.

17 Accounting Treatment

18 We obtained Gulf's supporting detail of the hedging settlements for the twelve months  
19 ended July 31, 2019. The support documentation was traced to the general ledger transaction  
20 detail. We verified that the hedging settlements are in compliance with the Risk Management  
21 Plan and verified that the accounting treatment for hedging transactions and transactions costs  
22 is consistent with Commission orders relating to hedging activities. The Utility did not enter  
23 into any new contracts between August 1, 2018 and July 31, 2019. Gulf's hedging program is  
24 expected to be completed in the first quarter of 2020. No exceptions were noted.

25 Gains and Losses

1 We traced the monthly balances of all hedging transactions from Gulf's Hedging  
2 Information Reports to its settlement report and its general ledger for the period August 1,  
3 2018 to July 31, 2019. We reviewed existing tolling agreements whereby the Utility's natural  
4 gas is provided to generators under purchased power agreements. We recalculated the gains  
5 and losses, traced the price to the settlement statement details, and compared the price to the  
6 gas futures rates published by the New York Mercantile Exchange (NYMEX) Henry Hub Gas  
7 futures contract rates. We compared these recalculated gains and losses with Gulf's journal  
8 entries for realized gains and losses. No exceptions were noted.

9 Hedged Volume and Limits

10 We reviewed the quantity limits and authorizations. We also obtained GPC's analysis  
11 of the monthly percent of natural gas hedged in relation to natural gas burned for the twelve  
12 months ended July 31, 2019, and compared them with the Utility's 2016 Risk Management  
13 Plan. No exceptions were noted.

14 Separation of Duties

15 We reviewed the Utility's procedures for separating duties related to hedging  
16 activities. We note that as of January 1, 2019, all hedges outstanding were transferred to  
17 NextEra/FPL and it will oversee the settling of the remaining hedges. There were no internal  
18 or external audits specifically performed on the separation of duties related to hedging  
19 activities. No exceptions were noted.

20 **Q. Please review the audit findings in this report.**

21 A. There were no findings in this audit related to hedging activities.

22 **Q. Does that conclude your testimony?**

23 A. Yes.

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1 MS. BROWNLESS: Due to the fact that Issue 1B  
2 and 1C, excuse me, have been sent to DOAH for  
3 hearing, the prefiled testimonies of Jeffery Swartz  
4 and Richard A. Polich have not been included in  
5 this list.

6 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: All right. So exhibits.

7 MS. BROWNLESS: Yes, sir.

8 Staff has compiled a stipulated comprehensive  
9 exhibit list, which includes the prefiled exhibits  
10 attached to the witness' testimony as well as  
11 Staff's Exhibit 83 through 99. The list has been  
12 provided to the parties, the Commissioners and the  
13 court reporter.

14 At this time, staff requests that the  
15 comprehensive exhibit list be marked for  
16 identification purposes as Exhibit No. 1, and that  
17 the other exhibits be marked for identification as  
18 set forth in the comprehensive exhibit list.

19 (Whereupon, Exhibit No. 1 was marked for  
20 identification.)

21 (Whereupon, Exhibit Nos. 83-99 were marked for  
22 identification.)

23 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: All right. So let's move  
24 exhibits.

25 MS. BROWNLESS: Okay. And we've asked that

1 the Exhibit No. 1 be entered into the record, sir.

2 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: We will enter Exhibit 1 into  
3 the record.

4 MS. BROWNLESS: Thank you.

5 (Whereupon, Exhibit No. 1 was received into  
6 evidence.)

7 MS. BROWNLESS: And we would request that the  
8 stipulated staff exhibits, Nos. 83 through 99, be  
9 entered into the record.

10 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: If there is no -- if nobody  
11 is against entering 83 through 99 into the record,  
12 we will enter those into the record as well.

13 (Whereupon, Exhibit Nos. 83-99 were received  
14 into evidence.)

15 MS. BROWNLESS: We will note that the exhibits  
16 of Jeffery Swartz, Exhibits 8, 80, 81, 82 and 100,  
17 and the exhibits of Richard Polich, Exhibits 68  
18 through 76, have been included in the CEL but will  
19 not be moved into the record at this hearing due to  
20 the referral of Issues 1B and 1C to DOAH.

21 Exhibits that have been agreed to the  
22 parties -- to by the parties are Exhibits No. 2  
23 through 7, 9 through 67 and 77 through 79.

24 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: So the parties have reviewed  
25 the exhibit list, if there is any objections. I



1 take it no?

2 Okay. Opening statements -- oh, prehearing  
3 officer, you just lost a couple of steps. What's  
4 with this five minutes?

5 Have any parties -- if any of the parties wish  
6 to give an opening statement, you will be allowed  
7 to give -- okay, are we doing opening statements  
8 now?

9 MS. BROWNLESS: Yes, sir.

10 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: Okay. Opening statements.  
11 Florida Power & Light.

12 MS. MONCADA: Good afternoon again, Chairman  
13 Graham and Commissioners.

14 I understand that FIPUG contests Issue 2H,  
15 which is the only reason I am taking five minutes  
16 to give an opening statement this afternoon, but  
17 thank you for the opportunity to present some  
18 remarks regarding FPL's petition for approval of  
19 its 2020 solar base rate adjustment known as the  
20 SoBRA.

21 FPL requests approval for the last of its  
22 solar projects being constructed through the SoBRA  
23 mechanism that was approved under FPL's current  
24 rate settlement. The 2020 SoBRA project will  
25 provide nearly 300 megawatts of clean,

1 cost-effective solar power to serve our customers  
2 and is projected to provide substantial cost  
3 savings over the long-term.

4 Under the settlement order FPL is authorized  
5 to recover the project's revenue requirements so  
6 long as it satisfies specific requirements.

7 First, the solar project must be  
8 cost-effective.

9 Second, the total cost cannot exceed \$1,750  
10 per kilowatt.

11 And third, the cost for the construction,  
12 engineering and the components must be reasonable.

13 These issues, along with the calculation of  
14 the revenue requirement and the SoBRA factor, are  
15 the sole issues for determination in evaluating  
16 whether to allow cost recovery. And as recently as  
17 this summer, the Florida Supreme Court announced  
18 and settled that this is the standard that governs  
19 as to all parties regardless of whether they  
20 supported the settlement at the time it was  
21 submitted for your approval back in 2016. The  
22 question of need is not at issue here.

23 The testimony of FPL witness Juan Enjamio  
24 demonstrates that the 2020 project is, in fact,  
25 cost-effective. The generation resource plan that

1 includes the 2020 project saves customers \$26  
2 million compared to a status quo plan that excludes  
3 the 2020 project. This means significant savings  
4 for FPL's customers derived mainly from fuel  
5 savings also includes reduced emissions, and this  
6 is not to mention the creation of new jobs and all  
7 of the tax revenue that the projects will create  
8 and provide to local communities.

9 On a stand-alone basis, the 2020 project will  
10 produce enough electricity to power the equivalent  
11 of approximately 58,000 homes. And when we look at  
12 this project in conjunction with the SoBRAs already  
13 operational throughout our territory, the SoBRA  
14 projects produce enough generation to power the  
15 equivalent of at least 232,000 homes annually, and  
16 the avoided emissions are the equivalent of  
17 reducing more than 215,000 cars from the road  
18 annually.

19 In terms of savings, all of the solar projects  
20 under the SoBRA mechanism collectively have been  
21 projected to save FPL customers \$172 million.

22 Mr. Brannen's testimony demonstrates that the  
23 2020 project's costs are significantly below the  
24 1,750 cost cap. As Mr. Brannen explains, FPL  
25 ensured that the costs are reasonable by using a

1 very thorough and comprehensive solicitation  
2 process that went to not only the procurement of  
3 the major equipment, but also with respect to the  
4 engineering and the construction costs for the  
5 projects.

6 FPL witnesses Fuentes and Anderson provide the  
7 calculation of the revenue requirement and the  
8 resulting SoBRA -- SoBRA factor for the 2020  
9 project, and did so consistent with the directives  
10 in the rate settlement order.

11 So, Commissioners, in short, FPL's 2020  
12 project is cost-effective, and it reflects  
13 reasonable construction costs that do not exceed  
14 the cost cap of \$1,750 per kilowatt, and FPL  
15 requests approval of its petition.

16 Thank you.

17 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: Thank you.

18 Mr. Moyle.

19 MR. MOYLE: Thank you.

20 And we did want to just take this opportunity  
21 to provide some comments to you about the SoBRA,  
22 and it is the first time the SoBRA has been back  
23 before you after the Court considered arguments and  
24 issued its ruling, and Maria brought that up.

25 And really what I want to do today is just

1 share some broader thoughts. It's a day of  
2 transition for you. And not unlike your discussion  
3 on FEECA and where that goes, I want to just spend  
4 a few minutes and talk about -- about solar.

5 A quick little footnote, we took the position  
6 in the prehearing to say, burden of proof, you have  
7 to make -- you have to show your -- your -- carry  
8 your burden, as Mr. Rubin was saying, we got to  
9 carry our burden. And we were saying, no, you got  
10 to do more than that.

11 So to put it at issue, we said no, but for the  
12 record, it's a no with a small N, and really we  
13 wanted to -- wanted to use this opportunity to  
14 really just raise some issues as you look at solar  
15 going, you know, going forward, and in the context  
16 of the SoBRA.

17 So I have appeared before you a number of  
18 times and said, my client, the Florida Industrial  
19 Power Users Group, FIPUG, with respect to solar, we  
20 support renewable energy so long as it satisfies  
21 two things. It needs to be cost-effective and it  
22 must be needed, okay.

23 And you all have -- have broad prudence  
24 determinations that you ordinarily can make. Well,  
25 you can't -- you can't make them here, because

1 as -- as was indicated, your purview is greatly  
2 limited here. There is three things that you  
3 consider. You know, cost-effectiveness is one  
4 thing you consider.

5 And we are a big fan of cost-effectiveness,  
6 you know, in a market context. I mean, you have  
7 RFPs and different things. And while some of the  
8 components were -- were bid, you know, all of these  
9 SoBRAs at 74 megawatts, they don't go through a  
10 rigorous competitive process where others are  
11 bidding on them.

12 And then the other thing with respect to  
13 cost-effectiveness, it's measured by a number in a  
14 settlement agreement.

15 FIPUG did not sign that settlement agreement  
16 and, you know, when it was entered and executed,  
17 really, the inter-- the intervenors are not experts  
18 in solar, and so there was a number that was put  
19 out there that I used the analogy to say it's kind  
20 of like putting a requirement in a document that  
21 says: It's presumed cost-effective any house in  
22 Tallahassee if it's under \$1 million. Now, those  
23 who live in Tallahassee know that you can do a lot  
24 of house for less than \$1 million, but so long as  
25 you are under \$1 million, the agreement says it's

1 cost-effective by the -- by the terms of the  
2 agreement.

3 So your job today is so long as it's under  
4 that number, you know, you have to say it's good to  
5 go. And I would suggest that that's probably not,  
6 in a big picture, the best way to deal with solar  
7 moving forward. You have a lot of SoBRAs. You  
8 have a lot of people wanting to do solar. And,  
9 again, we support it, provided it meets those two  
10 requirements of need and cost-effectiveness, but,  
11 you know, there is no need determination. So are  
12 you putting solar on top of, you know, 50 percent  
13 reserve margins? At some point, you kind of go,  
14 like, yeah, this may be okay, but why don't you  
15 wait a few years to do this.

16 So as we move forward with solar, we will  
17 continue to stay involved and engaged, but we would  
18 encourage you, as the Commission, to consider  
19 casting maybe a broader view rather -- when you are  
20 able to, and you are not able to today because you  
21 have a SoBRA in front of you, but take a holistic  
22 look at it.

23 And I remember discussions about natural gas  
24 plants, and FIPUG would intervene in some of the  
25 natural gas proceedings. And we had asked

1 questions and said, at some point when is too much?  
2 I mean, when do you have too much natural gas? And  
3 I think a similar question could be asked of solar  
4 at some point.

5 Commissioner Clark, you, throughout the course  
6 of some discussions, have said, well, it doesn't  
7 work that great at night, and there is, you know,  
8 some benefits to having generation that is maybe a  
9 little more dependable and reliable.

10 There is a place for solar, and we support it,  
11 but I just wanted to use this occasion, because it  
12 is the first occasion where we can address you all  
13 after the Supreme Court has ruled and -- and -- and  
14 present that as kind of as you move forward  
15 directionally that I think it would be important to  
16 take a wider view of solar and, when able to do so,  
17 consider things like need and cost-effectiveness  
18 considering market conditions in a more robust way.

19 So those are the comments I wanted to make.

20 Thank you.

21 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: Five minutes and one second.

22 MR. MOYLE: I am sorry?

23 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: I said five minutes and one  
24 second.

25 Okay. OPC, did you have any comments?



1 All right. Decision on the stipulated issues.

2 MS. BROWNLESS: Yes, sir.

3 The first set are the Type 2 stipulations, and  
4 these are 1A, 2A, 2B through 2G, 2I through 2N, 4A,  
5 5A, 5B, 6 through 11, 16 through 22 -- 16 through  
6 21, 22 as amended with the DEF corrections, 23A,  
7 23B, 24A through 24D, 27 through 36 as listed on  
8 pages 29 through 61 of the prehearing order.

9 Also, Issue No. 37, should this docket be  
10 closed? As I understand it, the parties have now  
11 entered into a Type 2 stipulation for this issue  
12 and the stipulation states:

13 No. While a separate docket number is  
14 assigned each year for administrative convenience,  
15 this is a continuing docket and should remain open.

16 At this time, we would request a bench  
17 decision on these issues, and staff is available to  
18 answer questions.

19 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: Commissioners, it is time  
20 for you to ask staff any questions and to reprimand  
21 the prehearing officer for his five minutes opening  
22 statements.

23 COMMISSIONER POLMANN: Mr. Chairman, I would  
24 commend the outstanding work of the esteemed  
25 Commissioner Clark and look forward to additional

1 future four minutes per party with limitations. I  
2 believe I have achieved three minutes in the past,  
3 and I challenge you.

4 And having said that, Mr. Chairman and  
5 Commissioners, I would move approval of this Type 2  
6 stipulations that Ms. Brownless has read into the  
7 record without repeating them. I think they have  
8 all been enumerated.

9 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: It's been moved and  
10 seconded.

11 Commissioner Brown.

12 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Thank you.

13 I just wanted to say I appreciate the comments  
14 very -- very poignant, very well taken that you  
15 raised today on need and cost-effectiveness with  
16 regard to solar. So just thank you for coming out  
17 here and sending that message, and look forward to  
18 seeing you at future dockets.

19 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: Commissioner Clark.

20 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

21 I want to just take a moment and thank  
22 everyone in all of the clause dockets for the hard  
23 work.

24 Staff did a fantastic job of organizing and  
25 getting us to the point where we were able to -- I

1 probably would have to say set a record, 35 minutes  
2 for five clause hearings, and that's with two  
3 five-minute opening statements.

4 So you have to give a little to get a little  
5 bit, Mr. Chairman --

6 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: I understand.

7 COMMISSIONER CLARK: -- and I was working to  
8 negotiate us down to a lot of stipulations.

9 So I do thank all of the parties that are  
10 involved for your cooperation and the work that you  
11 did to getting us to this.

12 This was a really, really good process for me  
13 personally, working through this with each of you,  
14 and you are all to be commended. Thank you for  
15 your hard work.

16 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Good job.

17 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Thank you.

18 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: We have a motion, duly  
19 seconded before us.

20 Any further discussion?

21 Seeing none, all in favor say aye.

22 (Chorus of ayes.)

23 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: Any opposed?

24 (No response.)

25 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: By your action, you have

1 approved the Polmann motion.

2 Now we have a decision on Issue 2H.

3 MS. BROWNLESS: Yes, sir.

4 Issue 2H are the 2020 SoBRA projects,  
5 Hibiscus, Okeechobee, Southfork and Echo River  
6 proposed by FPL cost-effective.

7 This issue has been contested by FIPUG. Mr.  
8 Moyle has addressed this in his opening statement,  
9 as has Ms. Moncada. My understanding is that  
10 neither party wishes to brief this issue, and staff  
11 is available to answer questions and requests a  
12 bench decision.

13 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: Commissioners, now is the  
14 time to speak about Issue 2H.

15 Commissioner Fay.

16 COMMISSIONER FAY: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I  
17 would move for the approval of Issue 2H.

18 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Second.

19 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: It's been moved and  
20 seconded.

21 Any further discussion on Issue 2H?

22 Seeing none, all in favor say aye.

23 (Chorus of ayes.)

24 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: Any opposed?

25 (No response.)

1           CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: By your action, you have  
2 approved Issue 2H.

3           Before I move on to witness testimony,  
4 evidently I forgot to enter Exhibits 2 through 7, 9  
5 through 67, 77 through 79. If there is no  
6 objections to those, we will enter those into the  
7 record.

8           (Whereupon, Exhibit Nos. 2-7, 9-67, 77-79 were  
9 received into evidence.)

10          CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: Okay. Witness testimony.

11          MS. BROWNLESS: Thank you.

12          All witnesses have been stipulated to and  
13 their testimony and exhibits moved into the record  
14 with the exception of witnesses Swartz and Polich,  
15 who will testify at the DOAH hearing.

16          CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: Okay. Concluding the  
17 hearing.

18          MS. BROWNLESS: At this time, all issues have  
19 been voted upon with the exception of Issues 1B and  
20 1C, which will be heard later at DOAH.

21          Since all issues heard in this docket have  
22 been stipulated to, ruled on or deferred, there is  
23 no need for briefs or further Commission action to  
24 resolve the issues before us today. An order will  
25 be issued on or before November 25th of 2019.

1           CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: Any other matters to come  
2 before us on this docket?

3           I do want to thank you guys all for all these  
4 stipulations that came before us. And for handling  
5 most of this stuff on your own with the prehearing  
6 officer. All kidding aside, I think the prehearing  
7 officer did a fantastic job on this -- the clause  
8 docket, so on this docket.

9           I do thank you all for your patience today.  
10 It's been a long day. I am sure everybody is ready  
11 to call it a day.

12           The question I have of General Counsel, when  
13 we list things that are -- one item is going to  
14 follow the other on our -- on our calendar, is it  
15 possible to move things around, or are we stuck  
16 with that order just because that's the way it was  
17 noticed?

18           You don't have to answer that question now,  
19 but in the future, because it would have been nice  
20 to be able to take this up first before we got to  
21 some of that other stuff, so these guys could have  
22 moved on, and then we could have taken up IA and  
23 then we could have dealt with Agenda. But I just  
24 want to put that before you for some thought to see  
25 how we can, in the future, when we notice meetings

1           that we have that flexibility to move things  
2           around.

3           MR. HETRICK: We will take that under  
4           advisement and get back with you, Mr. Chair.

5           CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: Okay. Once again, thank you  
6           all. Everybody please travel safe.

7           I think I will see you guys next month. I  
8           won't see you so a Happy Thanksgiving to all you  
9           guys.

10           (Proceedings concluded at 4:37 p.m.)

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