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Mr. Adam J. Teitzman, Commission Clerk Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Dear Mr. Teitzman:

Pursuant to Staff's email request dated May 7, 2020, Seminole Electric Cooperative, Inc. hereby submits for electronic filing the response to 2020 Ten-Year Site Plans for Florida's Electric Utilities Supplemental #2.

Please do not hesitate to call me if you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

Re: Review of the 2020 Ten-Year Site Plans for Florida's Electric Utilities – Staff's Data Request #2

Please submit your responses to this data request to both the FPSC Division of Engineering and the FPSC Office of Commission Clerk by following the instructions below:

- 1. Please email your responses to Doug Wright, Donald Phillips, and Damian Kistner by Monday, June 8, 2020.
- 2. Please electronically file this PDF document via the Commission's website no later than Monday, June 8, 2020.
  - a. Navigate to <u>www.floridapsc.com</u>.
  - b. At the top of the page, hover the mouse cursor over the "Clerk's Office" tab.
  - c. Select from the drop-down menu "Electronic Filing Web Form."
  - d. Please complete the form, referencing "Docket No. 20200000-OT."
  - e. Attach your response as the "Primary PDF."
  - f. Submit the form.

If you have any questions, please contact Doug Wright, Donald Phillips, or Damian Kistner.

- 1. Please respond to the following questions based on Seminole Electric's best information available:
  - a. Referring to Schedules 2.1 and 2.2, please discuss how the Company's Forecast of Energy Consumption (GWH) of each customer class (Residential, Commercial and Industrial) would be expected to change (i.e. increase, decrease, and to what degree, in general terms) if updated to reflect the impacts of the COVID-19 Pandemic for 2020.

Seminole's energy consumption forecast is driven by population growth forecasts by the Bureau of Economic and Business Research (BEBR) at the University of Florida. The latest population forecast from BEBR was released January 31, 2020 and does not reflect downward pressure on population growth due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. Seminole's energy forecast is also based on recent energy consumption. Through May 2020, there is low indication of loss-of-load due to COVID-19. Seminole also receives economic data from Moody's Analytics, who update Florida's county-level forecasts monthly. We use Moody's data as a secondary source in our energy forecast and have noticed less optimistic forecasts in household growth in the near future.

b. Referring to Schedule 2.2, please discuss how the Total Sales to Ultimate Customers (GWH) would be expected to change (i.e. increase, decrease, and to what degree, in general terms) if updated to reflect the impacts of the COVID-19 Pandemic for 2020 through 2022.

If Seminole updated its forecast for Total Sales to Ultimate Customers to reflect Moody's households as a primary driver instead of BEBR population, we would expect load growth to be lower than estimated in the 2020 TYSP. We are currently working with our Members to reflect the expected impacts of the COVID-19 Pandemic for 2020 through 2022.