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DATE:

June 29, 2020

TO:

Office of Commission Clerk

FROM:

Lynn M. Deamer, Chief of Auditing, Office of Auditing and Performance Analysis

RE:

Docket No.: 20200002-EI

Company Name: Duke Energy Florida, LLC

Company Code: EI801

Audit Purpose: A3b: Energy Conservation Cost Recovery

Audit Control No: 2020-028-2-1

Attached is the final audit report for the Utility stated above. I am sending the Utility a copy of this memo and the audit report. If the Utility desires to file a response to the audit report, it should send a response to the Office of Commission Clerk. There are no confidential work papers associated with this audit.

### LMD/cmm

Attachment: Audit Report

cc:

Office of Auditing and Performance Analysis File.

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# **Public Service Commission**

Office of Auditing and Performance Analysis
Bureau of Auditing
Tampa District Office

## **Auditor's Report**

Duke Energy Florida, LLC Energy Conservation Cost Recovery Clause

## Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2019

Docket No. 20200002-EG Audit Control No. 2020-028-2-1 **June 24, 2020** 

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## <u>Purpose</u>

To: Florida Public Service Commission

We have performed the procedures described later in this report to meet the objectives set forth by the Division of Economics in its audit service request dated January 28, 2020. We have applied these procedures to the attached summary exhibit and to several related schedules prepared by Duke Energy Florida, LLC in support of its 2019 filing for the Energy Conservation Cost Recovery Clause in Docket No. 20200002-EG.

The report is intended only for internal Commission use.

## Objectives and Procedures

### General

### **Definitions**

Utility refers to Duke Energy Florida, LLC. ECCR refers to the Energy Conservation Cost Recovery Clause.

## **Capital Investments**

### **Utility Plant in Service**

Objectives: The objectives were to verify the Utility's ECCR project-related additions, retirements and adjustments for the period January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2019.

**Procedures:** We obtained the Utility's subsidiary ledger and obtained a sample of ECCR plant balances as of December 31, 2019. We reconciled each to the ECCR 2019 filing. We randomly selected transactions for Load Management Switches. We traced each transaction to its supporting documentation. No exceptions were noted.

### Revenue

## **Operating Revenues**

Objectives: The objectives were to determine the actual Kilowatt Hours (KWH) sold for the period January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2019, and whether the Utility applied the Commission approved cost recovery factor to actual KWH sales for the ECCR.

**Procedures:** We reconciled the 2019 filing to the Utility's monthly ECCR monthly Revenue Reports. We applied the billing factors by rate class from Order No. PSC-2018-0562-FOF-EI to KWH sales. We recalculated revenues for the months of January through December. A random sampling of residential and commercial customers' bills were recalculated to verify the use of the correct tariff rates. No exceptions were noted.

## **Expense**

## Operation and Maintenance Expense

**Objectives:** The objectives were to determine whether Operation and Maintenance (O&M) Expense listed on Schedule CT-3 of the Utility's filing was supported by adequate documentation and that the expenses were appropriately recoverable through the ECCR.

**Procedures:** We traced expenses in the filing to the general ledger. We judgmentally selected a sample of O&M Expenses for each program. The source documentation for selected items was reviewed to ensure the expense was for the correct period, charged to the correct accounts, and appropriately recoverable through the ECCR. Advertising expenses were reviewed for compliance with Rule 25-17.015(5), Energy Conservation Cost Recovery, Florida Administrative Code. No exceptions were noted.

## **Depreciation and Amortization**

Objective: The objective was to verify that the most recent Commission approved depreciation rates or amortization periods were used in calculating Depreciation Expense.

**Procedures:** We verified and recalculated Depreciation Expense for the program assets using the approved depreciation rates. No exceptions were noted.

### Other

Objective: The objective was to verify the number of program participants reported in the Utility's Florida Energy Efficiency and Conservation Act (FEECA) Filing

**Procedures:** We requested and verified the number of program participants reported in the Utility's FEECA Filing for the following programs: Home Energy Check, Residential Incentive Program, Business Energy Check and Curtailable Service. No exceptions were noted.

## True-Up

**Objective:** The objective was to determine whether the True-Up and Interest Provision as filed on Schedule CT-3 was properly calculated.

**Procedures:** We traced the December 31, 2018, True-Up Provision to the Commission Order. We recalculated the True-Up and Interest Provision amounts as of December 31, 2019, using the Commission approved beginning balance as of December 31, 2018, the Financial Commercial Paper rates, and the 2019 ECCR revenues and costs. No exceptions were noted.

## **Analytical Review**

**Objective:** The objective was to perform an analytical review of the Utility's ECCR revenues and expenses to determine if there were any material changes or inconsistencies from the prior year.

**Procedures:** We compared 2019 to 2018 and 2017 revenues and expenses. There were no significant variances. Further follow-up was not required.

# Audit Findings

None

## **Exhibit**

Exhibit 1: True-Up

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#### DUKE ENERGY FLORICA LLI

# ENERGY CONSERVATION ADJUSTMENT CALCULATION OF TRUE-UP FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 2019 THROUGH DECEMBER 2029

HO.		January	February	Merch	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Tatal for the Period
1	OTHER CORSERVATION REVENUES	0	•	•	0	•	D	0	0	٥	•	•	0	•
2	CONSERVATION CLAUSE REVENUES	7,252,718	7,524,175	7,433,154	7,626,727	8,451,161	10,052,167	9,909,990	10,243,564	10,347,415	3,163,916	4,833,975	7,504,857	104,345,839
3	TOTAL REVERUES	7,252,718	7,524,175	7,433,154	7,626,727	8,453,161	10,052,167	9,909,990	10,243,564	10,347,415	9,143,536	0,833,975	7,504,857	104,345,839
4	PRIOR PERIOD TRUE-UP OVER/(UHIDER) (5.9	79,386) 496,282	498,787	490,282	496,782	490,282	498,282	430,792	496,282	498,282	490,782	490,282	498,292	5,979,304
5	CONSERVATION REVENUES APPLICABLE TO PERIOD	7,751,000	8,022,457	7,931,437	8,125,009	8,951,444	10,550,449	10,406,772	10,741,846	10,845,697	9,667,218	9,332,257	8,003,139	110,325,224
. 6	CONSERVATION EXPENSES (CT-3,PAGE 1, LINE 37)	8,878,523	9,599,000	9,329,364	8,829,420	8,800,974	9,814,764	9, 207,026	9,680,236	10,159,491	9,818,386	10,420,078	9,596,972	114,084,224
,	TRUE-UP THIS PERIOD (O)/U	L077,522	1,576,543	1,397,928	704,411	(150,470)	(735,685)	[1,201,245]	(1,041,610)	(686,216)	156,168	1,087,821	1,599,837	3,754,999
	CURRENT PERIOD INTEREST	(10,448)	(6,781)	(2,848)	304	1,856	1,926	945	(506)	(829)	(397)	1,190	3,799	[11,485)
9	ADJUSTMENTS PER AUDIT	0	0	٥	•	•	•	0	0	•	•	•	•	•
10	TRUE-UP & INTEREST PROVISIONS BEGINNING OF PERIOD (O)/U	(5,979,386)	(4,414,030)	(2,345,906)	(452,624)	750,373	L100,041	864,565	162,547	(400,987)	(589,750)	64,303	1,651,596	(5,979,386)
11	PRIOR TRUE-UP REFUNDED/ (COLLECTED)	493,282	498, 282	498,787	498,282	498,282	498,282	458,282	493,782	496,282	496,282	490,282	498,287	5,979,386
13	END OF PERIOD NET TRUE-UP	(4,414,030)	(2,345,986)	(452,624)	750,373	1,100,041	864,565	162,547	(400,987)	(\$49,750)	64,303	1,651,596	3,747,510	3,747,510