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Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, Florida 32399
Contact@PSC.STATE.FL.US

Re: Docket No. 20200176 – Petition to Approve Duke Energy's Clean Energy Connection Program

Dear Chairman and Commissioners:

This letter is to express support for Duke Energy Florida's proposed Clean Energy Connection Program currently under review by the Florida Public Service Commission.

As a municipality with our own focus on sustainability, we welcome the opportunity to participate in a voluntary, renewable energy program. This program complements our efforts to improve our city and state in energy diversity by continuing the addition of solar generation and lessening Florida's dependence on fossil fuels. We serve thousands of Floridians every day and we believe it is important to demonstrate both sustainability leadership and economic leadership in promoting long term renewable generation in the state.

Duke Energy Florida's Clean Energy Connection allows us to participate in a solar program designed, developed, and built with Florida in mind. The Clean Energy Connection Program allows for Duke Energy Florida, for the benefit of all its customers, to continue to create local energy related jobs, support Florida's economic growth, and advance universal renewable energy in the state.

This program provides an enhancement to meeting our sustainability goals as well as providing dependable Florida based renewable generation for all customers. We support Duke Energy's Clean Energy Connection Program and believe it continues to bring more fuel diversity and reliable renewable energy to the benefit of Florida businesses and all Floridians.

Respectfully, we encourage you to approve the Duke Energy Florida Clean Energy Connection Program.

Sincerely,

Robert Rivera
Public Works Director