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DATE:	January 5, 2024
то:	Suzanne S. Brownless, Special Counsel, Office of the General Counsel
FROM:	Lee Smith, Public Utility Analyst IV, Division of Economics
RE:	Duke Energy Florida- Docket No. 20190140-EI - Confidentiality Request Extension - Document No. 01316-2020

On December 20, 2023, pursuant to Section 366.093, Florida Statutes (F.S), and Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code, Duke Energy Florida (DEF or Company) requested an extension of confidential classification for certain highlighted information appearing in its response to Interrogatory Nos. 58.A, 58.C, and 58.D, of staff's 7th set of interrogatories (Nos. 57-63). These responses are included in Document No. 01316-2020, dated March 9, 2020, in Docket No. 20190140-EI.

On March 9, 2020, DEF filed the original Request for Confidential Classification related to this document. DEF's Request was granted by Order No. PSC-2020-0197-CFO-EI on June 22, 2020. Subsequently, on December 20, 2021, DEF filed its First Request for Extension of Confidential Classification for this document. That request was granted by Order No. PSC-2022-0225-CFO-EI on June 24, 2022.

In the current request for extension, the Company maintains that nothing has changed such that the same information in this document would no longer continue to be considered confidential under Section 366.093(3)(d), F.S. Per the Statute, propriety of confidential business information includes, but is not limited to: Subsection (d) "Information concerning the bids or other contractual data, the disclosure of which would impair the efforts of the public utility or its affiliates to contract for goods or services on favorable terms." Staff understands the Company's instant filing to request extension of confidential classification of said materials is based upon this same subsection (Subsection (d)) that was the basis for DEF's original confidential classification request which was approved in Order No. PSC-2020-0197-CFO-EI.

Staff has reviewed the information provided in DEF's response to Interrogatory Nos. 58.A, 58.C, and 58.D, of staff's 7th set of interrogatories (Nos. 57-63) (Document No. 01316-2020), as well as the Company's original confidentiality request (Document No. 01306-2020). In staff's opinion, the information that is the subject of the confidentiality request does meet the criteria for confidentiality contained in Section 366.093(3)(d), F.S. Therefore, staff recommends that the request for extension of confidentiality of information included in Document No. 01316-2020 be approved.

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DATE: January XX, 2023

TO: <u>Division of Economics</u>, Office of Primary Responsibility

FROM: OFFICE OF COMMISSION CLERK

RE: CONFIDENTIALITY OF CERTAIN INFORMATION

DOCKET NO: <u>20190140-EI</u> DOCUMENT NO:<u>01316-2020</u>

DESCRIPTION: Duke Energy (Hernandez) - (CONFIDENTIAL) Certain information in response to Interrogatory Nos. 58.A, 58.C, and 58.D, of staff's 7th set of interrogatories (Nos. 57-63).

SOURCE: Duke Energy Florida, LLC

The above confidential material was filed along with a <u>second request for extension of confidential</u> <u>classification</u>. Please complete the following form by checking all applicable information and forward it to the attorney assigned to the docket, along with a brief memorandum supporting your recommendation.

- <u>x</u> The document(s) is (are), in fact, what the utility asserts it (them) to be.
- <u>x</u> The utility has provided enough details to perform a reasoned analysis of its request.
- <u>x</u> The material has been received incident to an inquiry.
- <u>x</u> The material is confidential business information because it includes:
 - ____ (a) Trade secrets;
 - (b) Internal auditing controls and reports of internal auditors;
 - (c) Security measures, systems, or procedures;
 - x (d) Information concerning bids or other contractual data, the disclosure of which would impair the efforts of the public utility or its affiliates to contract for goods or services on favorable terms;
 - (e) Information relating to competitive interests, the disclosure of which would impair the competitive business of the provider of information;
 - ____ (f) Employee personnel information unrelated to compensation, duties, qualifications, or responsibilities;
- <u>x</u> The material appears to be confidential in nature and harm to the company or its ratepayers will result from public disclosure.
- _____ The material appears <u>not</u> to be confidential in nature.
- _____ The material is a periodic or recurring filing and each filing contains confidential information.

This response was prepared by <u>/s/ Gary L Smith II</u> on <u>January 5, 2024</u>, a copy of which has been sent to the Office of Commission Clerk and the Office of General Counsel.