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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition for rate increase by
Progress Energy Florida, Inc.

Docket No. 050078-EI
Submitted for filing July 22, 2005

AFFIDAVIT OF JAVIER PORTUONDO IN SUPPORT OF
PROGRESS ENERGY FLORIDA'S
TENTH REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF PINELLAS

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority duly authorized to administer oaths,
personally appeared Javier Portuondo, who being first duly sworn, on oath deposes and
says that:

1. My name is Javier Portuondo. I am over the age of 18 years old and I
have been authorized by Progress Energy Florida (hereinafter "PEF" or the "Company")
to give this affidavit in the above-styled proceeding on PEF's behalf and in support of
PEF's Tenth Request for Confidential Classification. The facts attested to in my affidavit

CMP _____ are based upon my personal knowledge.

COM _____

CTR _____ 2. I am the Director, Regulatory Services – Florida. This department is

ECR 1 responsible for the regulatory accounting and reporting activities of Progress Energy

GCL 1 Florida, Inc.

OPC _____

RCA _____ 3. As PEF's Director of Regulatory Services, I am familiar with certain of

SCR _____ PEF's business plans and analyses, internal audits, and tax information.

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4. In its Tenth Request for Confidential Classification, PEF is seeking confidential classification for portions of its supplemental responses to OPC's First Request for Production (Nos. 1-75). The information for which PEF seeks confidential classification is more specifically described in Attachment C to PEF's Tenth Request for Confidential Classification.

5. Portions of PEF's supplemental responses to OPC's Request Number 7 contain confidential information relating to PEF's business plans and its risk and operational analyses and, thereby, the disclosure of such sensitive business information to the public would adversely impact PEF's competitive business interest. Specifically, if PEF's competitors, suppliers, and providers are made aware of these business plans and analyses, they may adjust their behavior in the market place with respect to activity such as pricing and the acquisition and provisions of goods, materials, and services. For example, PEF's suppliers or providers may decrease supply of such goods and services, and/or increase the cost and prices of such goods and services. Additionally, PEF's competitors may adjust their consumption behavior in the market, thereby potentially making goods and services less available and more expensive to PEF.

6. Portions of PEF's supplemental response to OPC's Request Number 10 contain information concerning internal auditing by PEF. Such information is protected from public disclosure by Section 366.093(3)(b), Fla. Stat.

7. Portions of PEF's supplemental response to OPC's Request Number 61 contain tax documents. Public disclosure of such documents may adversely impact PEF's competitive business interests because the information therein contains detailed financial information related to costs and expenses that the Company incurs as well as details regarding the company's revenue. Specifically, if PEF's suppliers and providers

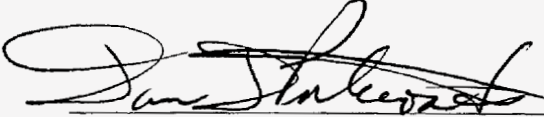
were made aware of the tax information at issue, they may decrease supply of certain goods and services, and/or increase the cost and prices of such goods and services. Additionally, PEF's competitors may adjust their consumption behavior in the market, thereby potentially making goods and services less available and more expensive to PEF.

8. With respect to the confidential information at issue, strict procedures are established and followed to maintain the confidentiality of that information, including restricting access to those persons who need information to assist the Company, and restricting the number of those who have access to the information. At no time has the Company publicly disclosed that information. The Company has treated and continues to treat the information at issue as confidential.

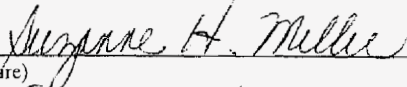
9. This concludes my affidavit.

Further affiant sayeth not.

Dated this 21st day of July, 2005


(Signature)

THE FOREGOING INSTRUMENT was sworn to and subscribed before me this 21st day of ~~June~~ ^{July} 2005 by Javier Portuondo. He is personally known to me, or has produced his _____ driver's license, or his _____ as identification.


(Signature)
SUZANNE H. MILLER
(Printed Name)
NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF Florida

(Commission Expiration Date)

(AFFIX NOTARIAL SEAL)

