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Docket Nos. 20230020-EI and 20230116-EI.

Dear Mr. Teitzman:

Attached is a document that has been agreed to by the Office of Public Counsel ("OPC") and Duke Energy Florida ("DEF"). Both parties have worked out the language in the document in an effort to resolve matters in the above-noted dockets in order to reach (or to facilitate) stipulation on all of the identified issues.

The document is entitled "Stipulated Confirmations and Commitments communicated between DEF and OPC and made to facilitate resolution of Docket Nos. 20230020-EI and 20230116-EI." It includes three items which are confirmations of factual representations provided by DEF (shown in **bold**) at the request of OPC and a fourth item that is a commitment of DEF to assist in data collection on a confidential basis for analytical purposes to the extent that there is industry-wide participation in this data collection. We believe the document is self-explanatory, but the OPC and DEF stand ready to provide further explanation as needed.

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The OPC and DEF have further agreed to request as part of the resolution of these dockets that the document be made part of the record and to be attached to the final order disposing of these cases.

I am available to answer any questions you might have.

Sincerely,

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Attachment cc: Parties of Record

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE DOCKET NOS. 20230020 and 20230116-EI

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing on the above forementioned docket has been furnished by electronic mail on this 16th day of May 2025, to the following:

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Stipulated Confirmations and Commitments communicated between DEF and OPC and made to facilitate resolution of Docket Nos. 20230020-EI and 20230116-EI

- 1. In the Idalia restoration process (and generally), for purposes of application of the agreed process improvements (2019), DEF did not treat any non-native distribution restoration crews other than other IOU employee crews as exempt from the process improvements pursuant to the parenthetical exemption in paragraph I.G: "(i.e., other than those of an investor-owned utility ("IOU") allocated through a mutual assistance organization.)" This is correct. Please note, DEF native (or embedded) crews use the normal (blue-sky) means of tracking time, but otherwise comply with the 2019 agreement (e.g., eat meals at base camps unless an exception granted, etc.).
- 2. As a general matter DEF does not receive allocations of other Duke Energy affiliate internal employee crews or other Duke Energy affiliate native vendor distribution restoration contract crews through a mutual aid agency like SEE (or its Great Lakes region counterpart, for example or others) since DEF has preferential rights to affiliate resources. **This is correct.**
- 3. The \$79.5 million on Exhibit JN-2, line 8 under the "Distribution" column excludes DEF and DEF affiliate employee labor (which is shown on the "Regular Payroll" line), but includes as a part of the total, all the costs of Duke Energy vendor crews performing distribution restoration work. **This is correct.**
- 4. DEF agrees ~ to the extent that the other Florida Electric IOUs also agree to participate ~ to support and cooperate with an agreed upon framework for reasonable historic and prospective data collection on an individual Electric IOU basis (that will be subject to being afforded confidential treatment) that will establish baselines for aggregated and average storm response contractor billing rates. The purpose of establishing this baseline is would be for analytical and tracking purposes to be available to the Commission and customers for understanding cost trends for storm restoration and storm hardening effectiveness analysis. This effort would not be for the purpose of making prudence determinations in any current or future Commission docket.