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RE: DOCKET NO. 981042-EM

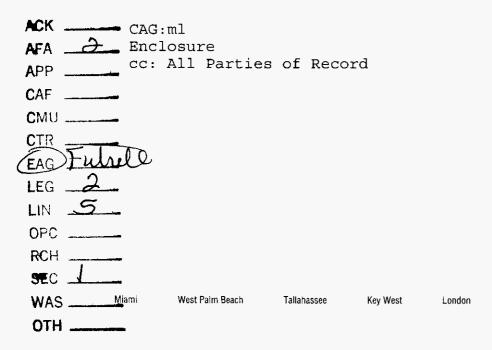
Dear Ms. Bayó:

Enclosed for filing please find the original and fifteen (15) copies of Florida Power & Light Company's Request for Oral Argument Regarding Motion to Dismiss Joint Petition.

Very truly yours,

Charles A. Guyton

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In re: Joint Petition for Determination)
of Need for an Electrical Power Plant)
in Volusia County by the Utilities)DOCKET NO. 981042-EM
Commission, City of New Smyrna Beach,)FILED: SEPTEMBER 8,1998
Florida, and Duke Energy New Smyrna)
Beach Power Company Ltd., L.L.P.)
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FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY'S REQUEST FOR ORAL ARGUMENT REGARDING MOTION TO DISMISS JOINT PETITION

Pursuant to Florida Administrative Code Rule 25-22.058, Florida Power & Light Company ("FPL") requests oral argument on its Motion to Dismiss Joint Petition being filed contemporaneously with this request for oral argument. Oral argument should be granted because of the importance of the issues raised in the motion to dismiss not only to the parties to this proceeding but also to the electric utility industry in Florida. The arguments raised by FPL and likely to be raised by the petitioners in response to FPL's arguments are detailed. The Commission would be well served with oral argument which focus those arguments.

Respectfully submitted,

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of Florida Power & Light Company's Request for Oral Argument Regarding Motion to Dismiss Joint Petition has been furnished by Hand Delivery (*), or U.S. Mail this 8th day of September, 1998, to the following:

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