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In the Matter of:

DOCKET NO. 20170148-EI

PETITION FOR DETERMINATION
UNDER RULE 25-6.115,
F.A.C., AND APPROVAL OF
ASSOCIATED REVISED TARIFF
SHEET 6.300, BY FLORIDA
POWER & LIGHT COMPANY.

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PROCEEDINGS: COMMISSION CONFERENCE AGENDA
ITEM NO. 2

COMMISSIONERS
PARTICIPATING: CHAIRMAN ART GRAHAM
COMMISSIONER JULIE I. BROWN
COMMISSIONER DONALD J. POLMANN
COMMISSIONER GARY F. CLARK

DATE: Tuesday, January 9, 2018

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1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 COMMISSIONER BROWN: All right. We're going
3 to move to Item 2.

4 Welcome, Ms. Draper.

5 MS. DRAPER: Good afternoon. Elisabeth Draper
6 with staff. Item 2 is a petition from Florida
7 Power & Light Company addressing the conversion of
8 overhead distribution facilities to underground,
9 and the contribution in aid of construction, or a
10 CIC, an applicant has to pay FP&L for the
11 conversion.

12 Several cities expressed interest in
13 underground conversions. And the current CIC
14 formula is laid out in our rules and the FP&L's
15 tariff. One component of the CIC calculation is
16 the cost to remove the overhead facilities.

17 FP&L is also currently storm hardening its
18 overhead distribution facilities and projects that
19 it will complete it's storm hardening within the
20 next five to six years.

21 Storm hardening includes the removal of
22 overhead poles and lines; therefore, FP&L petition
23 to revise its CIC formula, as shown in the proposed
24 tariff, to exclude the removal cost of any
25 non-hardened overhead facilities from the CIC

1 calculation.

2 Staff recommends approval of FP&L's petition.
3 And Kevin Donaldson, for FP&L, and Schef Wright, on
4 behalf of two municipalities that are interested in
5 underground-ing, are present to answer any
6 questions you may have.

7 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Thank you.

8 Mr. Donaldson, would you like to address the
9 Commission?

10 MR. DONALDSON: Madam Chairman, or former
11 Chairman, and Commissioner Graham -- new Commis- --
12 new Chairman Graham, we believe that this is a -- a
13 great opportunity for some of the municipalities to
14 take advantage of these underground conversion
15 projects. It will enable them to reduce some of
16 the costs that they would normally have to pay in
17 their construction in aid of contribution.

18 So, we're very happy to be able to present
19 this as a -- a means of allowing them to go ahead
20 and incentivize them to do this conversion project.

21 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Thank you.

22 Mr. Wright.

23 MR. WRIGHT: Thank you, Commissioner,
24 Mr. Chairman, Commissioners. Schef Wright, Gardner
25 law firm, on behalf of Palm Beach and Long Boat Key

1 specifically. And y'all probably know I've been
2 working on this stuff for a while.

3 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Uh-huh.

4 MR. WRIGHT: I'm just here to support the
5 recommendation, to thank FPL for working with us on
6 getting these particular features of their
7 contribution in aid of construction tariff right.

8 It -- it correctly allocates costs where they
9 should be allocated and not where they shouldn't
10 and, in so doing, provides additional incentives
11 for underground-ing, which, as the staff had
12 pointed out in their recommendation, as FPL did in
13 their petition, is a good thing all around. It
14 enhances reliable service and provides many other
15 benefits.

16 So, we support the recommendation. Thanks
17 very much.

18 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Thank you. And there
19 seems to be a lot of support of this initiative
20 among the cities and the counties. So, kudos.

21 Commissioner Polmann.

22 COMMISSIONER POLMANN: Thank you, Madam
23 Chairman.

24 I appreciate staff explaining this to me in
25 briefing. I also appreciate FPL working with

1 municipalities on this. I'm -- I'm impressed by
2 the advanced planning on this. And the fact that
3 you're working ahead on your schedule, that --
4 that -- very favorable to me.

5 So, Madam Chairman, I would move staff
6 recognition on this.

7 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Thank you.

8 Is there a second?

9 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: Second.

10 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Any discussion?

11 All those in favor, say aye.

12 (Chorus of ayes.)

13 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Motion passes. Thank you
14 for being here.

15 MR. DONALDSON: Thank you.

16 (Agenda item concluded.)

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