#### BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Fuel and purchased power cost recovery clause with generating performance incentive factor.

DOCKET NO. 20250001-EI ORDER NO. PSC-2025-0191-CFO-EI ISSUED: June 5, 2025

# ORDER GRANTING FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY'S REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION (DOCUMENT NO. 01078-2025, X-REF. 03173-2023)

On February 21, 2025, pursuant to Section 366.093, Florida Statutes (F.S.), and Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), Florida Power & Light Company (FPL) provided information to Florida Public Service Commission (Commission) staff pursuant to Audit Control No. 2023-010-4-1. This material was originally granted confidentiality by Order No. PSC-2023-0262-CFO-EI, issued June 2, 2023.

### Request for Confidential Classification

The period of confidential treatment granted by Order No. PSC-2023-0262-CFO-EI, will soon expire. FPL contends that the information provided pursuant to Audit No. 2023-010-4-1 warrants continued treatment as proprietary and confidential business information within the meaning of Section 366.093(3), F.S.

FPL contends that the information is proprietary and confidential business information within the meaning of Section 366.093(3), F.S. This information is intended to be and is treated by FPL as private, and its confidentiality has been maintained. This information concerns internal auditing controls and reports of internal auditors. Disclosure of this information would be harmful to FPL and its customers because it may impact the effectiveness of the Internal Auditing department itself. FPL contends that this information is protected by Section 366.093(3)(b), F.S.

Moreover, certain information in these documents concerns bids, pricing or other contractual data. Specifically, the documents include information related to the purchase or sale of energy and capacity, natural gas, and natural gas storage. Certain documents also include customer billing information, including pricing and account information. Disclosure of the confidential information would also impair the competitive interests of FPL and its counterparties. Certain information in these documents and materials would also place FPL or its counterparties at a disadvantage when coupled with other information that is publicly available. FPL contends that this information is protected by Sections 366.093(3)(d) and (e), F.S.

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## Ruling

Section 366.093(1), F.S., provides that records the Commission has found to contain proprietary business information shall be kept confidential and shall be exempt from Chapter 119, F.S. Section 366.093(3), F.S., defines proprietary confidential business information as information that is intended to be and is treated by the company as private, in that disclosure of the information would cause harm to the company's ratepayers or business operations, and has not been voluntarily disclosed to the public. Section 366.093(3), F.S., provides that proprietary confidential business information includes, but is not limited to:

- (b) Internal auditing controls and reports of internal auditors.
- (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 the information.

Upon review, it appears the above-referenced information satisfies the criteria set forth in Section 366.093(3), F.S., for classification as proprietary confidential business information. The information described above appears to be information concerning internal auditing controls, internal audits, contractual data and competitive interests, the disclosure of which would impair the competitive business of FPL or its affiliates or its vendors. Thus, the information identified in Document No. 01078-2025, x-ref. 03173-2023, shall be granted continued confidential classification.

Pursuant to Section 366.093(4), F.S., the information for which confidential classification is granted herein shall remain protected from disclosure for a period of up to 18 months from the date of issuance of this Order unless good cause is shown that protection from disclosure shall be for a specified longer period. FPL has requested that this information be protected for a period of 36 months due to the fact that audit information is maintained by the Commission for a period of seven years and has historically been afforded protection for that entire period for the reasons stated above. Given these factors, this material shall be granted confidentiality for a period of 36 months from the date of this Order.

At the conclusion of the 36-month period, the confidential information will no longer be exempt from Section 119.07(1), F.S., unless FPL or another affected person shows, and the Commission finds, that the records continue to contain proprietary confidential business information.

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Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by Commissioner Gabriella Passidomo Smith, as Prehearing Officer, that Florida Power & Light Company's Request for Extension of Confidential Classification of Document No. 01078-2025, x-ref. 03173-2023, is granted. It is further

ORDERED that the information in Document No. 01078-2025, x-ref. 03173-2023, for which confidential classification has been granted, shall remain protected from disclosure for a period of up to 36 months from the date of issuance of this Order. It is further

ORDERED that this Order shall be the only notification by the Commission to the parties of the date of declassification of the materials discussed herein.

By ORDER of Commissioner Gabriella Passidomo Smith, as Prehearing Officer, this <u>5th</u> day of <u>June</u>, <u>2025</u>.

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Copies furnished: A copy of this document is provided to the parties of record at the time of issuance and, if applicable, interested persons.

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#### NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.569(1), Florida Statutes, to notify parties of any administrative hearing or judicial review of Commission orders that is available under Sections 120.57 or 120.68, Florida Statutes, as well as the procedures and time limits that apply. This notice should not be construed to mean all requests for an administrative hearing or judicial review will be granted or result in the relief sought.

Mediation may be available on a case-by-case basis. If mediation is conducted, it does not affect a substantially interested person's right to a hearing.

Any party adversely affected by this order, which is preliminary, procedural or intermediate in nature, may request: (1) reconsideration within 10 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.0376, Florida Administrative Code; or (2) judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court, in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility, or the First District Court of Appeal, in the case of a water or wastewater utility. A motion for reconsideration shall be filed with the Office of Commission Clerk, in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.0376, Florida Administrative Code. Judicial review of a preliminary, procedural or intermediate ruling or order is available if review of the final action will not provide an adequate remedy. Such review may be requested from the appropriate court, as described above, pursuant to Rule 9.100, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.