

**BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

In re: Petition for determination of need for DeLand West-Dona Vista Transmission Line in Volusia and Lake Counties, by Duke Energy Florida, LLC. | DOCKET NO. 20250078-EI  
| DATED: July 7, 2025

**NOTICE OF FILING VERIFIED AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA, LLC'S REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION**

Duke Energy Florida, LLC, ("DEF") hereby gives notice of filing the verified Affidavit of Dave Rahman in support of DEF's Request for Confidential Classification, submitted on June 23, 2025 (document number 05134-2025), regarding its Response to Staff's First Set of Interrogatories (Nos. 1-5), this 7th day of July 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

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STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF PINELLAS

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

1. My name is Dave Rahman. I am over the age of 18 years old, and I have been authorized by Duke Energy Florida (hereinafter "DEF" or the "Company") to give this affidavit in the above-styled proceeding on DEF's behalf and in support of DEF's Request for Confidential Classification (the "Request"). The facts attested to in my affidavit are based upon my personal knowledge.

2. I am a Director of Power Grid Planning at Duke Energy Florida, LLC. As the Director of Power Grid Planning, I am responsible for the direct supervision of engineers in the development of long-range electric transmission expansion plans. I am responsible for ensuring transmission plans and assessments are done in accordance with all applicable FERC, NERC, and Regional Planning Standards and requirements. I also oversee transmission service request studies performed in accordance with DEF's Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT) as well as NERC

compliance activities associated with the Transmission Planner functional role.

3. DEF is seeking confidential classification for certain information provided in its response to Staff's First Set of Interrogatories (Nos. 1-5), specifically questions 3 and 4. A detailed description of the confidential information at issue is contained in confidential Exhibit A to DEF's Request and is outlined in DEF's Justification Matrix that is attached to DEF's Request as Exhibit C. DEF is requesting confidential classification of this information because it contains sensitive business information, the disclosure of which would impair the Company's competitive business interests.

4. The confidential information at issue contains internal sensitive business information that relates to security measures, systems or procedures. DEF has kept confidential and has not publicly disclosed this confidential information.

5. Upon receipt of confidential information, strict procedures are established and followed to maintain the confidentiality of the terms of the documents and information provided, including restricting access to those persons who need the information to assist the Company, and restricting the number of, and access to the information. At no time since receiving the information in question has the Company publicly disclosed that information. The Company has treated and continues to treat the information at issue as confidential.

6. This concludes my affidavit.

Further affiant sayeth not.

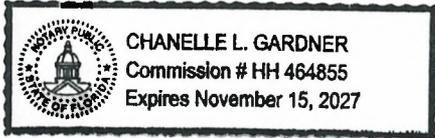
Dated the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 2025.



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THE FOREGOING INSTRUMENT was sworn to and subscribed before me this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 2025 by Dave Rahman. He is personally known to me or has produced his \_\_\_\_\_ as identification.



(AFFIX NOTARIAL SEAL)

Chanelle L. Gardner  
(Signature)

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(Printed Name)  
NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_

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(Commission Expiration Date)

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