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Adam J. Teitzman, Commission Clerk
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Re: *Environmental Cost Recovery Clause*; Docket No. 20260007-EI

Dear Mr. Teitzman:

On behalf of Duke Energy Florida, LLC ("DEF"), I am writing to advise the Commission that at this time, DEF has identified the Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances ("PFAS") project as a new environmental project for which it intends to seek approval for cost recovery in the above-referenced docket. In April of 2024, the EPA issued a new rule regulating 6 PFAS chemicals in drinking water. (40 CFR Part 141, Subpart Z). This rule sets maximum contaminant levels (MCL) for these parameters. To comply with the new rule, initial sampling needs to be conducted for the impacted sites. The rule requires two rounds of sampling between 5 to 7 months apart. DEF has three sites that this rule impacts: Crystal River North, Citrus Combined Cycle and Hines Energy. Sampling will start in 2026 and end in early 2027.

DEF has also identified the Aqueous Film Forming Foam ("AFFF") project as a project for which it intends to seek cost recovery. HB 1019 (the "Joe Castello Act") requires the discontinuation of sale, purchase, and distribution of AFFF at facilities due to the presence of PFAS in the firefighting foam and was signed into law by the governor in June 2026. The law requires that AFFF be phased out of facilities by July 1, 2029. This will require removing AFFF from six sites impacted by the law: Anclote, Bartow, Bayboro, Hines Energy, Intercession City, and Osprey Energy facilities.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter and if you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (850) 521-1425.

Sincerely,

/s/ Stephanie A. Cuello

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished via electronic mail to the following this 29th day of June, 2026.

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