### BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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

DOCKET NO. 030001-EI ORDER NO. PSC-03-0705-CFO-EI ISSUED: June 12, 2003

# ORDER GRANTING FIRST EXTENSION FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION TO FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY FOR CERTAIN MATERIALS OBTAINED IN PREPARATION OF THE FUEL COST RECOVERY AUDIT (AUDIT NO. 99-033-4-1) FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER, 1999 (DOCUMENTS NOS. 08555-99 AND 09077-99)

Florida Power & Light Company (FPL) requests an extension of confidential classification of certain materials obtained during the Fuel Cost Recovery Clause Audit, Audit No. 99-033-4-1 (Audit). FPL makes this request pursuant to Section 366.093, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code. FPL asserts that this information was granted confidential classification by the Commission on March 20, 2001, by Order No. PSC-01-0708-CFO-EI. FPL states the period of confidential treatment granted by the Commission will soon expire and the information warrants continued treatment as proprietary confidential business information pursuant to Section 366.093(3), Florida Statutes. The information for which FPL seeks continued confidential treatment is filed with the Commission as Documents Nos. 08555-99 and 09077-99.

FPL requests that the following work papers be granted continued confidential classification:

WORK PAPER NUMBER	PAGE(S)	COLUMN(S) LINE(S)	TYPE OF INFORMATION
9	3	All	Internal audits and internal auditing controls

FPL seeks continued confidential classification for internal audits and internal auditing controls. FPL requests extension of

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the confidential classification on the basis that these working papers contain sensitive information. FPL asserts that disclosure of audits conducted may negatively affect business relationships with vendors or may provide listings which may be used by plaintiffs and others to pursue issues with FPL.

According to FPL, internal audits are conducted on contracts, relationships with specific vendors, and internal processes and controls. Thus, FPL asserts that, pursuant to Section 366.093, Florida Statutes, such information is entitled to continued confidential classification and is exempt from the mandatory disclosure provisions of the public records law.

# CONCLUSION

Upon review, it appears that the information discussed above is proprietary confidential business information and should be granted continued confidential treatment to avoid harm to the company and its ratepayers pursuant to Section 366.093(3)(b), Florida Statutes. Therefore, FPL's request for extension of confidential treatment of Documents Nos. 08555-99 and 09077-99 is granted.

## DECLASSIFICATION

FPL also requests that the confidential information be returned to FPL "in accordance with Section 366.093(4) of the Florida Statutes as soon as the information is no longer necessary for the Commission to conduct its business." However, these types of audit work papers are retained by the Commission for 25 years. Section 366.093(4), Florida Statutes, provides that "any finding by the Commission that records contain proprietary confidential business information is effective for a period not to exceed 18 months . . . "

FPL states the period of confidential treatment granted by the Commission will soon expire and the information warrants continued treatment as proprietary confidential business information pursuant to Section 366.093(3), Florida Statutes. FPL appears to have provided sufficient information concerning the harm which could arise from not protecting this information for an additional 36 months. Accordingly, good cause having been shown, confidential

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classification shall be extended for an additional 36 months from the date of the issuance of this Order.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by Commissioner Braulio L. Baez, as Prehearing Officer, that the information described in Florida Power and Light Company's first request for extension of confidential treatment of certain materials obtained during the fuel cost recovery audit for the year ending December, 1999, Documents Nos. 08555-99 and 09077-99, is granted an extension of confidential classification for a period of 36 months from the date of the issuance of this Order. It is further

ORDERED that this Order will be the only notification by the Commission to the parties concerning the expiration of the confidentiality time period.

By ORDER of Commissioner Officer, this 12th day of <u>June/</u>

Commissioner Braulio Balz

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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 Director, Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services, in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, 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.