BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition to recover natural gas storage DOCKET NO. 060362-EI project costs through fuel cost recovery clause. by Florida Power & Light Company.

ORDER NO. PSC-06-1053-S-EI ISSUED: December 22, 2006

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On behalf of the FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION (STAFF).

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FINAL ORDER APPROVING STIPULATION FOR RECOVERY OF CERTAIN COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH STORAGE OF NATURAL GAS

BY THE COMMISSION:

I. <u>CASE BACKGROUND</u>

As part of the continuing fuel and purchased power adjustment and generating performance incentive clause proceedings, an administrative hearing was held on November 6-8, 2006. By Order No. PSC-06-0207-PCO-EI, issued September 21, 2006, the cost recovery issues concerning the storage of natural gas identified in Docket No. 060362-EI, were consolidated with Docket No. 060001-EI for purposes of the evidentiary hearing. The Commission was presented with a stipulation by parties on certain aspects of the recovery of Florida Power and Light Company's (FPL) participation in the Bay Gas storage facility and the MoBay storage facility. FPL and the parties presented evidence on the remaining non-stipulated issues. We approved, by bench decision, the stipulation, and continued the meeting until December 8, 2006 to take up our decision concerning the cost recovery of certain aspects of the storage of natural gas.

II. STIPULATED NATURAL GAS COST RECOVERY ISSUES

The parties stipulated that the appropriate avenue for cost recovery of natural gas monthly storage reservation charges, fuel retention, and commodity charges for injection and withdrawal, and monthly insurance charges, all associated with FPL's participation in the Bay Gas storage facility and the MoBay storage facility, is through the fuel clause. Based on the evidence in the record, we agree. The stipulation and our approval of it, however, do not preclude us from auditing and reviewing the actual costs submitted each year during the fuel clause proceedings. We retain jurisdiction to review the costs, the prudence of expenditures, and the prudence of FPL's contract administration.

III. CARRYING COSTS AND BASE GAS COSTS

We continued the hearing in this Docket on the remaining issues in order to review briefs and consider our staff's written recommendation on several additional issues regarding appropriate recovery of base gas and carrying costs also associated with FPL's participation in the Bay Gas and MoBay gas storage projects. The order on those issues will be the subject of a separate order.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the appropriate avenue for cost recovery of natural gas monthly storage reservation charges, fuel retention and commodity charges for injection and withdrawal and monthly insurance charges associated with FPL's participation in Bay Gas and MoBay natural gas storage facilities is through the fuel clause. It is further

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ORDERED that the Commission retains jurisdiction over the actual costs submitted by FPL annually.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this 22nd day of December, 2006.

BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Director Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services

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Any party adversely affected by the Commission's final action in this matter may request: 1) reconsideration of the decision by filing a motion for reconsideration with the Director, Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, within fifteen (15) days of the issuance of this order in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, 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 and/or wastewater utility by filing a notice of appeal with the Director, Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services and filing a copy of the notice of appeal and the filing fee with the appropriate court. This filing must be completed within thirty (30) days after the issuance of this order, pursuant to Rule 9.110, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure. The notice of appeal must be in the form specified in Rule 9.900(a), Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.