BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition for approval of community solar pilot program, by Gulf Power Company.

DOCKET NO. 150248-EG ORDER NO. PSC-16-0015-PCO-EG ISSUED: January 7, 2016

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

JULIE I. BROWN, Chairman LISA POLAK EDGAR ART GRAHAM RONALD A. BRISÉ JIMMY PATRONIS

ORDER SUSPENDING TARIFFS

BY THE COMMISSION:

On November 19, 2015, Gulf Power Company (Gulf) filed a petition for approval of its Community Solar Pilot Program (solar program). The proposed solar program is designed to allow Gulf customers the choice of participating in and receiving benefits from solar photovoltaic resources without having to install, own, or maintain a system of their own. We have jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to Sections 366.06, and 366.075, Florida Statutes (F.S.).

We find it appropriate that the tariffs shall be suspended to allow our staff sufficient time to review the petition and gather all pertinent information in order to present us with an informed recommendation on the tariff proposals.

Pursuant to Section 366.06(3), F.S., we may withhold consent to the operation of all or any portion of a new rate schedule, delivering to the utility requesting such a change a reason or written statement of good cause for doing so within 60 days. We find that the reason stated above is a good cause consistent with the requirement of Section 366.06(3), F.S.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the Gulf Power Company's tariffs for its Community Solar Pilot Program shall be suspended. It is further

ORDERED that this docket shall remain open.

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By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this 7th day of January, 2016.

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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.