



**Florida
Power**
CORPORATION

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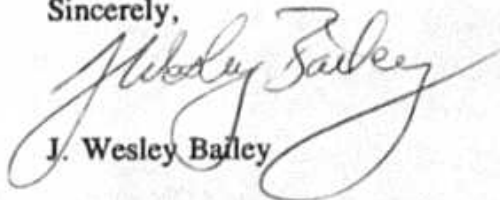
Re: Docket No. 960193-EI

Dear Ms. Bayo,

Enclosed for filing in the docket referenced above are the original and 15 copies of Florida Power Corporation's Request for Confidential Classification. Also enclosed is a copy of the foregoing to be date stamped by you and returned for our records. A 3.5 inch diskette containing the above-referenced document in Word Perfect format is enclosed.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,



J. Wesley Bailey

Enclosure
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cc: Parties of Record

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition for expedited
approval of settlement agreement
by Florida Power Corporation.

Docket No. 960193-EI

Submitted for filing:
April 9, 1996

**FLORIDA POWER CORPORATION'S
REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION**

Florida Power Corporation ("FPC"), pursuant to Section 366.093, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-22.006, F.A.C., requests confidential classification of the highlighted information submitted to the Florida Public Service Commission ("Commission") in FPC's Notice of Intent to Request Confidential Classification filed on March 18, 1996. In support of its request, FPC states:

BACKGROUND

1. On February 13, 1996, FPC filed with the Commission its petition for expedited approval of a settlement agreement which resolves pending litigation between the FPC and Orlando Cogen Limited, L.P. and its related parties, Air Products and Chemicals, Inc. ("Air Products") and UtilCo Group, Inc. ("UtilCo") involving the Negotiated Contract for the Purchase of Firm Capacity and Energy from a Qualifying Facility, dated March 13, 1991, between OCL and FPC.

2. On February 19, 1996, FPC filed two supplementary tables to Exhibit B of the petition, accompanied by a Notice of Intent to Request Confidential Classification for information on one of those two tables. This request provides the justification for confidential classification of that information.

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JUSTIFICATION FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION

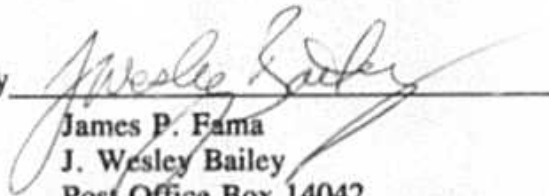
3. FPC is currently engaged in settlement negotiations with several of its contract QFs in an attempt to resolve various matters in dispute similar to those resolved in FPC's settlement with OCL. Disclosure of the detailed financial information contained in the specified table in Exhibit B to the petition would seriously impair FPC's ability to negotiate settlements with these other contract QFs on terms favorable to FPC and its ratepayers. If these QFs were to know the financial basis of FPC's settlement with OCL on the individual issues in dispute or the percentage of total amount in dispute on which settlement was based, they would be unwilling to settle for a lesser amount in their negotiations with FPC, thus effectively establishing a ceiling on the benefits available to Florida Power and its ratepayers from such negotiations.

WHEREFORE, Florida Power Corporation requests that the highlighted information in the table to Exhibit B of its petition be classified confidential.

Respectfully submitted,

OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL
FLORIDA POWER CORPORATION

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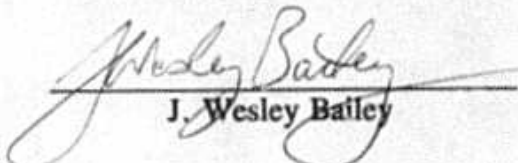
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the within document has been served by U.S. Mail on Stephen S. Ferrara Air Products and Chemicals, Inc., Legal Department, 7201 Hamilton Boulevard, Allentown, PA 18195-1501 and Joseph A. McGlothlin, McWhirter, Reeves, McGlothlin, Davidson & Bakas, Suite 716, 315, S. Calhoun Street, Tallahassee, FL 32301 on this 8th day April, 1996.


J. Wesley Bailey