BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Fuel and Purchased Power Cost)	Docket No. 030001-EI
Recovery Clause)	Filed: September 2, 2003
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MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER

COMES NOW, Florida Public Utilities Company ("FPUC" or "the Company") by and through undersigned counsel and pursuant to section 366.093, Florida Statutes and Rule 25-22.006(6), Florida Administrative Code and requests the Commission to enter a protective order and as a basis would state:

- 1. One July 29, 2003, Staff served its First Request for Production of Documents on the Company requesting, among other items.
 - . . . each current contract for wholesale capacity, energy, or both that [FPUC] has entered with any utility or non-utility generator.
- 2. FPUC considers and treats documents such as those requested by Staff as proprietary and confidential. These contracts contain information, the disclosure of which would impair the efforts of the Company to contract for goods or services on favorable terms. Disclosure of the contract would harm the Company and its customers and provide information of use to competitive providers.
- 3. The documents requested contain information relative to services, rates and conditions for the purchase of electric energy which the parties treat as proprietary, confidential business information. None of the parties publish such information.

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4. Rule 25-22.006(6), Florida Administrative Code, establishes a procedure whereby parties may request a protective a order protecting proprietary confidential business information from discovery. Further, while such a request is pending, the information asserted to be confidential is exempt from section 119.07, Florida Statutes.

5. Notwithstanding the assertion that the contracts are proprietary, confidential business documents, a copy of the documents is appended hereto in a sealed envelope. FPUC requests that the Commission enter a protective order determining that these documents are proprietary and confidential pursuant to section 366.093(3), Florida Statutes and exempt from section 119.07, Florida Statutes. Further, pending such determination, FPUC requests the documents be exempt from section 119.07, Florida Statutes, pursuant to section 366.093(2), Florida Statutes and Rule 25-22.006(6), Florida Administrative Code.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons cited, FPUC requests the entry of a Protective Order as to the referenced documents.

Respectfully submitted this 2nd day of September, 2003.

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