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March 31, 2004

Ms. Blanca S. Bayo, Director Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee FL 32399-0870

Dear Ms. Bayo:

RE: Docket No. 040001-EI

Enclosed are an original and ten copies of Gulf Power Company's Request for Confidential Classification regarding Schedule 2 of Exhibit HRB-1 to the testimony of Herbert R. Ball dated April 1, 2004.

Sincerely, Susan D. Riterou

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Enclosures

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Docket No.: 040001-EI

Date:

April 1, 2004

IN RE: Fuel and purchased power cost recovery clause and generating performance incentive factor

REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION

GULF POWER COMPANY ["Gulf Power", "Gulf", or the "Company"], by and through its undersigned attorney and pursuant to Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code, hereby files a request that the Florida Public Service Commission enter an order protecting from public disclosure Schedule 2 of Exhibit HRB-1 to the testimony of Herbert R. Ball dated April 1, 2004. As grounds for this request, the Company states:.

1. The information on Schedule 2 of Exhibit HRB-1 to the testimony of Herbert R. Ball dated April 1, 2004, contains proprietary and commercially sensitive information regarding competitive interests, trade secrets and contractual matters of Gulf Power, which if disclosed to the general public would cause irreparable harm to Gulf Power. This information is entitled to confidential classification pursuant to §366.093(3)(a),(d)and (e), Florida Statutes. Schedule 2 has detailed information about the hedging activities of Gulf Power. The information provides details about the types of hedging instruments and the various contract terms utilized in Gulf's hedging activities. Specific cost information is also provided. In addition, the information provides insight and details into Gulf's hedging strategy. Gulf and other members of the market in which it competes consider this type of information to be trade secret and competitively sensitive. Gulf's competitors are not required to disclose this information or information similar to it such that Gulf could gain the same competitive advantage that its competitors would gain

from this information if it were publically disclosed. Disclosure of this information would adversely affect Gulf's ability to conduct its hedging activities to the benefit of its customers. Disclosure of these contractual terms and cost information would also impair Gulf's ability to enter into contracts for the benefit of its customers.

- 2. The information filed pursuant to this Request is intended to be, and is treated as, confidential by the Gulf Power and has not been otherwise publicly disclosed.
- 3. Submitted as Exhibit "A" is a copy of Schedule 2, on which is highlighted the information for which confidential classification is requested. Exhibit "A" should be treated as confidential pending a ruling on this request. Attached as Exhibit "B" are two (2) edited copies of Schedule 2, which may be made available for public review and inspection. Attached as Exhibit "C" to this request is a line-by-line/field-by-field justification for the request for confidential classification.

WHEREFORE, Gulf Power Company respectfully requests that the Commission enter an order protecting the information highlighted on Exhibit "A" from public disclosure as proprietary confidential business information.

Respectfully submitted this 15th day of April 2004,

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EXHIBIT "A"

Provided to the Division of Records and Reporting under separate cover as confidential information

EXHIBIT "B"

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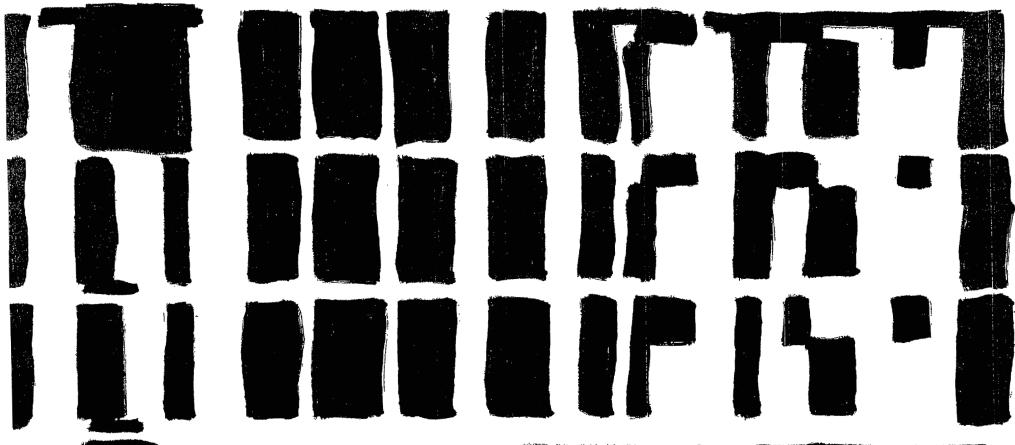
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Justification

This information is entitled to confidential classification pursuant to §366.093(3)(a), (d) and (e), Florida Statutes. The basis for this information being designated as confidential is more fully set forth in paragraph 1.

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