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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition for rate increase by	
Progress Energy Florida, Inc.	Docket No. 050078-EI
	Submitted for filing July 8, 2005

AFFIDAVIT OF LORI CROSS IN SUPPORT OF PROGRESS ENERGY FLORIDA'S SIXTH REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION

STATE OF FLORIDA

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COUNTY OF PINELLAS

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority duly authorized to administer oaths, personally appeared Lori Cross, who being first duly sworn, on oath deposes and says that:

- 1. My name is Lori Cross. I am over the age of 18 years old and I have been authorized by Progress Energy Florida (hereinafter "PEF" or the "Company") to give this affidavit in the above-styled proceeding on PEF's behalf and in support of PEF's Sixth Request for Confidential Classification. The facts attested to in my affidavit are based upon my personal knowledge.
- 2. I am the Manager, Regulatory Accounting – Florida. This department is responsible for the regulatory accounting and reporting activities of Progress Energy WMS ____ Florida, Inc.
- RCA ____ 3. As PEF's Manager of Regulatory Accounting, I am familiar with certain 3CR ____ of PEF's investment strategies and cost allocation policies.

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- 4. In its Sixth Request for Confidential Classification, PEF is seeking confidential classification for portions of its responses to Staff's Third Request for Production (Nos. 28-41). The information which PEF seeks confidential classification is more specifically described in Attachment C to PEF's Sixth Request for Confidential Classification.
- 5. Portions of PEF's responses to Staff's Third Request for Production Numbers 29, 32, and 33 contain confidential information relating to PEF's investment strategies and asset allocation policies and, thereby, the disclosure of such sensitive business information to the public would adversely impact PEF's competitive business interest. Specifically, if PEF's investors were made aware of PEF's investment strategies and/or allocation policies, they may adjust their investment behavior, which could have an effect on investment in the company, potentially impairing PEF's position in the market.
- 6. With respect to the confidential information at issue, strict procedures are established and followed to maintain the confidentiality of that information, including restricting access to those persons who need information to assist the Company, and restricting the number of those who have access to the information. At no time has the Company publicly disclosed that information. The Company has treated and continues to treat the information at issue as confidential.
 - 7. This concludes my affidavit.

Further affiant sayeth not.

Dated this day of July, 2005

Signature) Cross

	ENT was sworn to and subscribed before me thisday is personally known to me, or has produced his as identification.
SUZANNE H. MILLER MY COMMISSION # DD 411455 EXPIRES: March 27, 2009 Bonded Thru Notary Public Underwriters	(Signature) Muller
(AFFIX NOTARIAL SEAL)	(Printed Name) NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF JL (Commission Expiration Date)