## BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

IN RE: NUCLEAR POWER PLANT COST

RECOVERY CLAUSE

Docket No. 100009-E Submitted for Filing: April

## NOTICE OF FILING AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF PEF'S THIRD REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION

Notice is hereby given, through the undersigned counsel, on behalf of Progress Energy Florida, Inc. ("PEF") of filing the affidavit of Will Garrett in support of Progress Energy Florida's Third Request for Confidential Classification as to PEF's responses to Citizens' Second Request for Production of Documents (Nos.44-53) and Second Set of Interrogatories (Nos. 8-33).

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished to counsel and parties of record as indicated below via electronic and U.S. Mail this  $\mathcal{L}^{e^{e}}$  day of April, 2010.

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Nuclear Cost Recovery Clause

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AFFIDAVIT OF WILL GARRETT IN SUPPORT OF PROGRESS ENERGY FLORIDA'S THIRD REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF PINELLAS

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

- 1. My name is Will Garrett. 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 Third Request for Confidential Classification. The facts attested to in my affidavit are based upon my personal knowledge.
- 2. As legal entity Controller for Progress Energy Florida ("PEF" or "the Company"),
  I am responsible for all accounting matters that impact the reported financial results of this
  Progress Energy entity. I have direct management and oversight of the employees involved in
  PEF Regulatory Accounting, Property Plant and Materials Accounting, and PEF Financial
  Reporting and General Accounting.
- 3. PEF is seeking confidential classification for portions of responsive documents to Citizens' Second Request for Production of Documents, and Citizens' Second Set of

Interrogatories. A detailed description of the confidential information at issue is contained in confidential Attachment A to PEF's Third Request for Confidential Classification and is outlined in PEF's Justification Matrix that is attached to PEF's Third Request for Confidential Classification as Attachment C. PEF is requesting confidential classification of these documents because they include internal audit reports and controls, confidential and proprietary contractual information, and other information related to the Company's competitive business interests, the disclosure of which would compromise PEF's competitive business interests.

- 4. Specifically, portions of these responsive documents contain of internal audit information reports and workpapers that resulted from the internal audit of the Company's various projects. PEF is requesting confidential classification of these reports and workpapers because public disclosure of the documents and information in question would compromise PEF's ability to effectively audit the Company's major projects. If the Company were to know that its internal auditing controls and process were subject to public disclosure, it would compromise the level of cooperation needed with auditors to efficiently conduct audits. In addition, such information and documents are specifically defined by Section 366.093(3)(b) as proprietary confidential business information that is entitled to confidential status.
- 5. Additionally, the requests also seek information which includes bids, other contractual data, and trade secrets of the Company and its contract partners, the disclosure of which would impair the Company's ability to contract on favorable terms in the future. In many instances, the disclosure of this information would also violate contractual confidentiality provisions.
- 6. The public disclosure of these documents would allow other parties to discover how the Company analyzes risk options, scheduling, and cost, and would impair PEF's ability to

contract for such goods and services on competitive and favorable terms. Portions of these documents reflect the Company's internal strategies for evaluating projects and meeting deadlines. If such information was disclosed to PEF's competitors and/or other potential suppliers, PEF's efforts to obtain competitive nuclear equipment and service options that provide economic value to both the Company and its ratepayers could be compromised by the Company's competitors and/or suppliers potentially changing their offers, consumption, or purchasing behavior within the relevant markets.

- 7. PEF must be able to assure vendors that sensitive business information, such as the terms of their contracts, will be kept confidential. Additionally, as discussed above, some of the contracts at issue contain confidentiality provisions that prohibit the disclosure of the terms of the contract to third parties. The information at issue relates to competitively negotiated contractual data, such as quantity and pricing of goods and services, and other contractual terms, the disclosure of which would impair the efforts of the Company to negotiate these contracts on favorable terms. If other third parties were made aware of confidential contractual terms that PEF has with other parties, they may offer less competitive contractual terms in future contractual negotiations.
- 8. Upon receipt of this confidential information, and with its own confidential information, strict procedures are established and followed to maintain the confidentiality of the documents and information provided, including restricting access to those persons who need the information to assist the Company, and restricting the number of, and access to the information. At no time since receiving the information in question has the Company publicly disclosed that information. The Company has treated and continues to treat the information at issue as confidential.

| Dated the 22th day of April,  | 2010.  |
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| -   | Signature) Will Garrett  |
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| (AFFIX NOTARIAL SEAL)   | (Signature) Suzanne H. Miller (Printed Name) NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF Florida |
| SUZANNE H. MILLER MY COMMISSION # DD 842068 EXPIRES: March 27, 2013 Sondled Thru Notary Public Underwriters | 3/27/2013 (Commission Expiration Date)  D1D 842069 (Serial Number, If Any)   |

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This concludes my affidavit.

Further affiant sayeth not.