

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition for determination of cost effective generation alternative to meet need prior to 2018, by Duke Energy Florida, Inc.

DOCKET NO. 140111-EI

DATED: August 1, 2014

COMMISSION STAFF'S PREHEARING STATEMENT

Pursuant to Order No. PSC-14-0341-PCO-EI, filed July 3, 2014, the Staff of the Florida Public Service Commission files its Prehearing Statement.

1. All Known Witnesses

There are no known witnesses at this time.

2. All Known Exhibits

There are no known exhibits at this time.

3. Staff's Statement of Basic Position

Staff's positions are preliminary and based on materials filed by the parties and on discovery. The preliminary positions are offered to assist the parties in preparing for the hearing. Staff's final positions will be based upon all the evidence in the record and may differ from the preliminary positions stated herein.

4. Staff's Position on the Issues

ISSUE 9: Are the proposed Suwannee Simple Cycle Project and Hines Chillers Power Uprate Project needed, taking into account the need for electric system reliability and integrity?

POSITION: No position at this time.

ISSUE 10: Are the proposed Suwannee Simple Cycle Project and Hines Chillers Power Uprate Project needed, taking into account the need for adequate electricity at a reasonable cost?

POSITION: No position at this time.

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ISSUE 11: Are the proposed Suwannee Simple Cycle Project and Hines Chillers Power Uprate Project needed, taking into account the need for fuel diversity and supply reliability?

POSITION: No position at this time.

ISSUE 12: Are there any renewable energy sources and technologies or conservation measures taken by or reasonably available to Duke Energy Florida, Inc. that might mitigate the need for the proposed Suwannee Simple Cycle Project and Hines Chillers Power Uprate Project?

POSITION: No position at this time.

ISSUE 13: Are the proposed Suwannee Simple Cycle Project in 2016 and Hines Chillers Power Uprate Project in 2017 the most cost-effective alternatives available to meet the needs of Duke Energy Florida, Inc. and its customers?

POSITION: No position at this time.

ISSUE 14: Did Duke Energy Florida, Inc. reasonably evaluate all alternative scenarios for cost effectively meeting the needs of its customers over the relevant planning horizon?

POSITION: No position at this time.

ISSUE 15: Based on the resolution of the foregoing issues, should the Commission grant the requested determination that the proposed Suwannee Simple Cycle Project and Hines Chillers Power Uprate Project are the most cost-effective generation alternatives to meet Duke's needs prior to 2018?

POSITION: No position at this time.

ISSUE 16: Should this docket be closed?

POSITION: No position at this time.

5. Stipulated Issues

None at this time.

6. Pending Motions

None at this time.

7. Pending Confidentiality Claims or Requests

None at this time.

8. Objections to Witness Qualifications as an Expert

None at this time.

9. Compliance with Order Nos. PSC-14-0341-PCO-EI, PSC-14-0307-PCO-EI and PSC-14-0341-PCO-EI

Staff has complied with all requirements of the Procedural Orders entered in this docket.

Respectfully submitted this 1st day of August, 2014.

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that the original of STAFF'S PREHEARING STATEMENT has
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