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DATE:

April 9, 2024

TO:

Shaw Stiller, Special Counsel, Office of the General Counsel

FROM:

Ian Mason, Public Utility Analyst I, Division of Accounting & Finance

RE:

CONFIDENTIALITY OF CERTAIN INFORMATION

DOCKET NO: <u>20240025-EI</u> DOCUMENT NO: <u>01547-2024</u>

DESCRIPTION: Duke Energy (Triplett) - (CONFIDENTIAL) Information contained in MFRs, specifically Schedule D-2 and Exhs SC-3, SC-4, SC-5, and

SC-7 to direct testimony of Shannon Caldwell.

SOURCE: Duke Energy Florida, LLC

Pursuant to Section 366.093, Florida Statutes (F.S.), and Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code, Duke Energy Florida, LLC ("DEF") requests confidential classification of certain information contained in Exhibit Nos. SC-3, SC-4, SC-5, SC-7 to the direct Testimony of Shannon Caldwell and MFRs, Schedule D, for Test Years 2025, 2026, and 2027 - Cost of Capital. More specifically, the information which confidentiality is sought relates to DEF's regulated and non-regulated affiliates' capital structures provided in MFR, Schedule D2 and infromation regarding internal compensation procedures, incentives, valuations and costs provided in Exhibit Nos. SC-3, SC-4, SC-5, and SC-7, to the direct testimony of Shannon Caldwell.

According to DEF, the disclosure of this information would harm the ability of Duke Energy and its affiliates to do business, as the associated documents contain sensitive information regarding the Company's capital structure plan, as well as details surrounding the Company's competitive hiring process. DEF claims that the highlighted information has always been treated as confidential, and therefore publicly disclosing this information would impact the Company's ability to have access to capital markets and employees at a competitive rate.

Staff has reviewed DEF's confidentiality request and agrees that the nature of the information meets the requirements set fourth in Section 366.093(3)(d) and (e), F.S. Therefore, staff recommends that the request for confidentiality of certain information included in Document No. 01547-2024 be approved.



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DATE:	April 3,	2024

TO: <u>Division of Economics</u>, Office of Primary Responsibility

FROM: OFFICE OF COMMISSION CLERK

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The above confidential material was filed along with a request for confidential classification. Please complete the following form by checking all applicable information and forward it to the attorney assigned to the docket, along with a brief memorandum supporting your recommendation.