

**BEFORE THE
FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

In re: Environmental cost recovery clause

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**PREHEARING STATEMENT OF
NUCOR STEEL FLORIDA, INC.**

Pursuant to the Florida Public Service Commission's *Order Establishing Procedure*, Order No. PSC-2024-0031-PCO-EI, issued February 6, 2024, and the *First Order Modifying Order Establishing Procedure*, Order No. PSC-2024-0215-PCO-EI, issued June 20, 2024, Nucor Steel Florida, Inc. ("Nucor") hereby files its Prehearing Statement in this case.

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B. WITNESSES

Nucor does not plan to call any witnesses at this time.

C. EXHIBITS

Nucor does not plan to offer any exhibits at this time.

D. STATEMENT OF BASIC POSITION

Nucor’s basic position is that Duke Energy Florida, LLC (“DEF”) bears the burden of proof to justify the costs it seeks to recover through the ECRC and any other relief DEF requests in this proceeding.

E. STATEMENT ON SPECIFIC ISSUES

GENERIC CONSERVATION COST RECOVERY ISSUES

ISSUE 1: What are the final environmental cost recovery true-up amounts for the period January 2023 through December 2023?

- **Nucor:** Regarding DEF, agree with OPC. For all other utilities, Nucor takes no position.

ISSUE 2: What are the actual/estimated environmental cost recovery true-up amounts for the period January 2024 through December 2024?

- **Nucor:** Regarding DEF, agree with OPC. For all other utilities, Nucor takes no position.

ISSUE 3: What are the projected environmental cost recovery amounts for the period January 2025 through December 2025?

- **Nucor:** Regarding DEF, agree with OPC. For all other utilities, Nucor takes no position.

ISSUE 4: What are the environmental cost recovery amounts, including true-up amounts, for the period January 2025 through December 2025?

- **Nucor:** Regarding DEF, agree with OPC. For all other utilities, Nucor takes no position.

ISSUE 5: What depreciation rates should be used to develop the depreciation expense included in the total environmental cost recovery amounts for the period January 2025 through December 2025??

- **Nucor:** Regarding DEF, agree with OPC. For all other utilities, Nucor takes no position.

ISSUE 6: What are the appropriate jurisdictional separation factors for the projected period January 2025 through December 2025?

- **Nucor:** Regarding DEF, agree with OPC. For all other utilities, Nucor takes no position.

ISSUE 7: What are the appropriate environmental cost recovery factors for the period January 2025 through December 2025 for each rate group?

- **Nucor:** Regarding DEF, agree with OPC. For all other utilities, Nucor takes no position.

ISSUE 8: What should be the effective date of the new environmental cost recovery factors for billing purposes?

- **Nucor:** Regarding DEF, agree with OPC. For all other utilities, Nucor takes no position.

ISSUE 9: Should the Commission approve revised tariffs reflecting the environmental cost recovery amounts and environmental cost recovery factors determined to be appropriate in this proceeding?

- **Nucor:** Regarding DEF, agree with OPC. For all other utilities, Nucor takes no position.

ISSUE 10: Should this docket be closed?

- **Nucor:** No position.

COMPANY-SPECIFIC ENVIRONMENTAL COST RECOVERY ISSUES

Duke Energy Florida, LLC (DEF):

ISSUE 11: Should the Commission approve DEF's Citrus Combined Cycle (CCC) Water Treatment System Project for cost recovery through the ECRC?

- **Nucor:** Agree with OPC.

ISSUE 12: How should the approved costs related to DEF's CCC Water Treatment System Project be allocated to the rate classes?

- **Nucor:** Approved costs related to DEF's CCC Water Treatment System Project should be allocated to rate classes on a demand basis.

Tampa Electric Company (TECO):

ISSUE 13: Should the Commission approve TECO's Bayside 316 (a) Thermal Variance Study Project for cost recovery through the ECRC?

- **Nucor:** No position.

ISSUE 14: How should the approved costs related to TECO's Bayside (a) Thermal Variance Study Project be allocated to the rate classes?

- **Nucor:** No position.

F. PENDING MOTIONS

None.

G. PENDING REQUESTS OR CLAIMS FOR CONFIDENTIALITY

None.

H. OBJECTIONS TO QUALIFICATIONS OF WITNESS AS EXPERT

None at this time.

I. REQUIREMENTS OF ORDER ESTABLISHING PROCEDURE

There are no requirements of the Procedural Orders with which Nucor cannot comply.

Respectfully submitted,

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