BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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DOCKET NO. 960001-EI

PREPARED DIRECT TESTIMONY OF

M. W. HOWELL

FUEL AND PURCHASED POWER COST RECOVERY

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3		M. W. Howell
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6	Q.	Please state your name, business address and occupation
7	Α.	My name is M. W. Howell, and my business address is 500
8		Bayfront Parkway, Pensacola, Florida 32501. I am
9		Manager of Transmission and System Control for Gulí
10		Power Company.
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12	Q.	Have you previously testified before this Commission?
13	Α.	Yes. I have testified in various rate case,
14		cogeneration, territorial dispute, planning hearing,
15		fuel clause adjustment, and purchased power capacity
16		cost recovery dockets.
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18	Q.	Please summarize your educational and professional
19		background.
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21		a Bachelor of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering.
22		I received my Masters Degree in Electrical Engineering
23		from the University of Florida in 1967, and then joined
24		Gulf Power Company as a Distribution Engineer. I have
25		since served as Relay Engineer, Manager of Transmission

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Manager of System Planning, Manager of Fuel and System
Planning, and Manager of Transmission and System
Control. My experience with the Company has included
all areas of distribution operation, maintenance, and
construction; transmission operation, maintenance, and
construction; relaying and protection of the generation,
transmission, and distribution systems; planning the
generation, transmission, and distribution system
additions in the future; bulk power interchange
administration; overall management of fuel planning and
procurement; and operation of the system dispatch
center.

I have served as a member of the Engineering
Committee and the Operating Committee of the
Southeastern Electric Reliability Council, chairman of
the Generation Subcommittee and member of the Edison
Electric Institute System Planning Committee, and
chairman or member of a number of various technical
committees and task forces within the Southern electric
system and the Florida Electric Power Coordinating
Group, regarding a variety of technical issues including
system operations, bulk power contracts, generation
expansion, transmission expansion, transmission
interconnection requirements, central dispatch,
transmission system operation, transient stability,

underfrequency operation, generator underfrequency protection, system production costing, computer 2 modeling, and others. 3 What is the purpose of your testimony in this 5 proceeding? 6 The purpose of my testimony is to support Gulf Power 7 Company's projection of purchased power recoverable 8 costs for energy purchases and sales for the period April, 1996 - September, 1996. 10 11 What is Gulf's projected purchased power recoverable 12 cost for energy purchases for the April, 1996 -13 September, 1996 recovery period? 14 Gulf's projected recoverable cost for energy purchases, 15 shown on line 12 of Schedule E-1 of the fuel filing, is 16 \$11,237,118. These purchases result from Gulf's 17 participation in the coordinated operation of the 18 Southern electric system power pool. This amount is 19 used by Gulf's witness Susan Cranmer as an input in the 20 calculation of the fuel and purchased power cost 21 adjustment factor. 22 23 24

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1 Q. What is Gulf's projected purchased power fuel cost for

energy sales for the April, 1996 - September, 1996

3 recovery period?

A. The projected fuel cost for energy sales, shown on line

5 18 of Schedule E-1, is \$19,181,800. These sales also

6 result from Gulf's participation in the coordinated

7 operation of the Southern electric system power pool.

8 This amount is used by Gulf's witness Susan Cranmer as

an input in the calculation of the fuel and purchased

10 power cost adjustment factor.

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12 Q. Does this conclude your testimony?

13 A. Yes.

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Before me the undersigned authority, personally appeared M. W. Howell, who being first duly sworn, deposes, and says that he is the Transmission and System Control Manager of Gulf Power Company, a Maine corporation, that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information, and belief. He is personally known to me.

Transmission and System Control Manager

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 18 day of

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