

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Request for temporary ) DOCKET NO. 960482-EI  
waiver of Rule 25-6.0437(7), ) ORDER NO. PSC-96-0593-FOF-EI  
F.A.C., filing of load research ) ISSUED: May 7, 1996  
data report, by Florida Power & )  
Light Company. )  
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The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

SUSAN F. CLARK, Chairman  
J. TERRY DEASON  
JOE GARCIA  
JULIA L. JOHNSON  
DIANE K. KIESLING

ORDER APPROVING REQUEST FOR WAIVER

BY THE COMMISSION:

By letter dated April 12, 1996, Florida Power & Light Company (FPL) requested a waiver from the requirements of Rule 25-6.0437(7), Florida Administrative Code. Rule 25-6.0437, F.A.C., Cost of Service Load Research, requires all investor-owned utilities to perform periodic load research to support cost of service studies. The rule was adopted to ensure that current load research was available primarily for rate case analysis. In addition to rate cases, load research data is used to allocate demand costs in setting recovery factors for environmental, capacity, and energy conservation clauses.

To perform load research, test meters are set for a statistically determined sample of customers and data is recorded for a calendar year. Subsection 7 of the rule requires the company to then file the results of this research within 120 days of the conclusion of the test period, which ended December 31, 1995. FPL had until the close of business on April 29, 1996, to file its report.

FPL is in the process of changing its load research process from a main-frame to a PC-based system. The new system will, in FPL's estimation, be more cost effective and make load research more accessible. FPL estimates that the required re-engineering and personnel training will delay the report by approximately 4 months. FPL does not have a pending rate case and the data will be available prior to the next recovery clause proceedings. No harm

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will be done by delaying the report four months. The delay may well be beneficial because FPL will be able to use the additional time to test the new system to make sure it presents reliable results. We, therefore, waive the filing requirement of Rule 25-6.0437(7), F.A.C., as it pertains to FPL. FPL is, however, required to file the results of its load research study no later than August 30, 1996.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that Florida Power & Light Company's request for a waiver of 25-6.0437(7), Florida Administrative Code, to extend the date for filing its load research study, is approved. It is further

ORDERED that Florida Power & Light Company shall file its load research study by August 30, 1996. It is further

ORDERED that this docket shall remain open until the load research report is filed. Upon the filing of the report, this docket shall be closed.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 7th day of May, 1996.

BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Director  
Division of Records and Reporting

by: Kay DeLeon  
Chief, Bureau of Records

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NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.59(4), Florida Statutes, to notify parties of any administrative hearing or judicial review of Commission orders that is available under Sections 120.57 or 120.68, Florida Statutes, as well as the procedures and time limits that apply. This notice should not be construed to mean all requests for an administrative hearing or judicial review will be granted or result in the relief sought.

Any party adversely affected by this order, which is preliminary, procedural or intermediate in nature, may request: (1) reconsideration within 10 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.0376, Florida Administrative Code, if issued by a Prehearing Officer; (2) reconsideration within 15 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code, if issued by the Commission; or (3) judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court, in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility, or the First District Court of Appeal, in the case of a water or wastewater utility. A motion for reconsideration shall be filed with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code. Judicial review of a preliminary, procedural or intermediate ruling or order is available if review of the final action will not provide an adequate remedy. Such review may be requested from the appropriate court, as described above, pursuant to Rule 9.100, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.