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RE: Petition for Expedited Approval of an Agreement to Purchase
the Tiger Bay Cogeneration Facility and Terminate Related
Purchase Power Contracts by Florida Power Corporation.
Docket No.: 970096-EQ

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing in the docket referenced above are the original and fifteen (15) copies of Notice of Objection of Florida Power Corporation to Staff's Interrogatory Number 23.

Please acknowledge your receipt of the above filing on the enclosed copy of this letter and return to the undersigned. Also enclosed is a 3.5 inch diskette containing the above-referenced document in WordPerfect format.

Sincerely,

Chris S. Coutroulis
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Submitted for Filing:
March 14, 1997

**NOTICE OF OBJECTION OF FLORIDA POWER CORPORATION
TO STAFF'S INTERROGATORY NUMBER 23**

Florida Power Corporation ("FPC"), by its undersigned attorneys, hereby files this notice of objection to interrogatory number 23 served on FPC by PSC Staff as part of Staff's First Set of Interrogatories (Nos. 1-36). The objection itself was served on all parties shown on the attached service list on March 13, 1997.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing
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