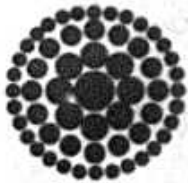


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March 20, 1997

Ms. Blanca S. Bayó, Director
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Re: Docket No. **970096-EQ**

Dear Ms. Bayó:

Enclosed for filing in the subject docket are an original and one copy of the Notice of Service of Florida Power Corporation's Response to Staff's First Request for Production of Documents and Certificate of Service.

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. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Very truly yours,

James P. Fama

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition for expedited approval of an agreement to purchase the Tiger Bay cogeneration facility and terminate related purchased power contracts by Florida Power Corporation.

Docket No. 970096-EQ

Submitted for filing:
March 20, 1997

**NOTICE OF SERVICE OF FLORIDA POWER CORPORATION'S
RESPONSES TO STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION OF
DOCUMENTS TO FLORIDA POWER CORPORATION**

Florida Power Corporation ("FPC") hereby files its Notice of Service of Responses to Staff's First Request for Production of Documents to Florida Power Corporation.

Respectfully submitted this 20th day of March, 1997.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Docket No. 970096-EQ

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the Notice of Service of Florida Power Corporation's Responses to Staff's First Request for Production of Documents to Florida Power Corporation has been sent by regular U.S. mail to the following individuals on March 20, 1997:

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