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## Bublic Service Commission

September 26, 1997

Florida Power Corporation James P Fama P. 0 Box 14042 St Petersburg, FL 33733-4042

Dear Mr. Fama:

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Docket No. 970002-EG -- Florida Power Corporation Audit Request - Conservation - Period Ending September 30, 1997

The Florida Public Service Commission will conduct a conservation audit for the period ending September 30, 1997 in accordance with Commission audit procedures. Auditors may select one or more accounts for detailed examination. Access may be requested to documents and records supporting affiliate company transactions that affect regulated operations. Staff auditors may also request to review the firm's external audit working papers for the most recent independent audit. Jim McPherson, the district office supervisor, (813) 744-6638, will coordinate this audit.

\_\_Rule 25-6.014(5), F.A.C., states that, "Upon direction of the Commission, or in the performance of delegated staff duties, any member of the Commission may make at any reasonable time a personal visit to the utility's offices or other -- places of business, and may inspect any facility, records, accounts, books, reports, and papers of the utility which may appear necessary in the discharge of Commission duties. During such visits the utility shall provide the staff -member(s) with adequate and comfortable working and filing space, consistent with prevailing conditions and climate and comparable with the accommodations provided the company's outside auditors".

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A formal audit report will be issued for internal official use only by the Commission on or about December 22, 1997. A copy of the final report will be mailed to the company liaison officer listed in the Commission Mailing Directory. Comments should be mailed to the Director of Records and Reporting within ten days after receipt.

Questions regarding the audit or staff conduct should be directed to Jim McPherson or myself at (904) 413-6487.

Sincerely,

Denise N. Vandiver

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Enclosure: (1) Excerpts from Rule 25-22.006, F.A.C.

and 366.093, F.S.

cc: Mary Bane Andrews, Deputy Executive Director/Tech. (w/o enclosure)

Field Audit Supervisor

Legal Services (w/o enclosure)

Division of Records and Reporting (w/o enclosure)

Public Counsel