

VOTE SHEET

FEBRUARY 17, 1998

RE: DOCKET NO. 971570-EI - 1997 depreciation study by Florida Power Corporation.

Issue 1: Should Florida Power Corporation be allowed to implement its proposed depreciation rates and recovery schedules on a preliminary basis?

Recommendation: Yes. FPC should be allowed to implement its proposed depreciation rates and recovery schedules, as shown on Attachment A of staff's February 5, 1998 memorandum, on a preliminary basis. The total effect of this proposal, as shown on Attachment B of staff's memorandum, would increase annual depreciation expenses by about \$2.6 million, based on estimated January 1, 1998 investments and reserves. The rates and resultant expenses should be trued up when final action is taken by this Commission later in 1998.

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COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: Full Commission

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MAJORITY

DISSENTING

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Issue 2: what should be the implementation date for the new depreciation rates?

Recommendation: January 1, 1998.

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Issue 3: Should this docket be closed?

Recommendation: No. This docket should not be closed, pending staff review and final Commission action concerning the appropriate rates under consideration.

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