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14 Florida Public Service Commission, Division of
15 Electric and Gas.

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1 appropriate time to find out if there is anybody here.

2 **COMMISSIONER DEASON:** Very well. Let me
3 inquire then, are there any members of the public who
4 wish to avail themselves the opportunity to address
5 the Commission on this matter at the beginning of
6 today's hearing? Let the record reflect that there
7 are no individuals present from the public who wish to
8 testify.

9 **MR. KEATING:** Commissioners, as the
10 prehearing order indicates, Lakeland has adopted
11 Staff's position on all of the issues and Staff is
12 prepared to recommend approval of those positions.
13 There are no intervenors in the docket, so I believe,
14 if none of you have any questions or any
15 cross-examination for any particular witness or
16 witnesses, we recommend that the prefiled testimony be
17 moved into the record.

18 **COMMISSIONER DEASON:** Well, of course, I
19 guess we can -- we will be moving the testimony
20 regardless if there are or are not questions, but all
21 the witnesses are here and present, is that --

22 **MR. YOUNG:** Yes, sir.

23 **COMMISSIONER DEASON:** Ready to testify if
24 need be? Okay.

25 Let me ask my fellow Commissioners then, do

1 you wish to ask questions of all or some of the
2 witnesses as -- and have them take the stand?

3 **COMMISSIONER CLARK:** I don't know if I have
4 to ask questions of witnesses, but I do have -- the
5 testimony, as I read it, indicated that there is a
6 need in 2002 for reliability purposes. That there's a
7 15% -- testimony of the witness was the reserve margin
8 falls below 15% in 2002, yet your position says it's
9 not needed for reliability purposes.

10 **MS. HARLOW:** Commissioner, Staff looked at
11 the reliability need without the FMPA contract and
12 that is how we developed our position. That contract
13 was signed in December of 1998 and the petition came
14 in soon after that. And it was Staff's opinion that
15 we should look at the need based on our retail need,
16 and when we did that, we looked at it and found that
17 need would be out in Year 2003. The plant would be in
18 service on January 1, 2002.

19 **COMMISSIONER CLARK:** How do we look at other
20 plants? I thought when we look at other plants that
21 other companies tend to build we take into account
22 their wholesale load.

23 **MS. HARLOW:** The reason that Staff looked at
24 the reliability need without the contract was because
25 of the timing of the signing of the contract. That it

1 was so soon compared to when the -- when the need
2 petition was filed. So we looked at it in both ways.
3 The reliability need that the companies cited was six
4 megawatts and that was in the year 2002. It was a
5 winter need. When we looked at it without the
6 contract, with the retirements that the company
7 planned, there was a 13-megawatt need and that was in
8 year 2003.

9 The other reason we looked at it in that
10 manner, which is as you stated, different than
11 sometimes when Staff looks at these, is that we
12 noticed that there were two retirements that the
13 company planned, McIntosh 1 and 2, which when we
14 looked at the Ten Year Site Plan, McIntosh 1 was
15 planned for retirement in 2004. McIntosh 2 was
16 planned for retirement in 2006. When we looked at the
17 need petition, those retirements had been moved up to
18 2002 and 2004.

19 We spoke to Black & Veatch and they said
20 that they ran an economic analysis on that and they
21 felt comfortable that that was the correct time.
22 Although, of course, that's an art to decide when to
23 retire a plant, but they were comfortable with that.

24 **COMMISSIONER CLARK:** You mean, it was --
25 they were comfortable with retiring them at that point

1 because by using this plant to back out those plants
2 it's a more cost-effective alternative?

3 **MS. HARLOW:** Yes, ma'am.

4 **COMMISSIONER CLARK:** Okay.

5 **COMMISSIONER DEASON:** We need to have
6 testimony inserted into the record; is that correct?

7 **MR. KEATING:** Yes, sir, if we're ready at
8 this time.

9 **COMMISSIONER DEASON:** Okay. All of the
10 witnesses are listed on Page 5 of the Prehearing
11 Order?

12 **MR. KEATING:** That's correct. Witnesses
13 Robert G. Siegel, Paul H. Elwing, Gary T. Lawrence,
14 Rolando Sanz-Guerrero, Daniel J. Runyan, Myron R.
15 Rollins and David H. McLain.

16 **COMMISSIONER DEASON:** And Staff's moving
17 that prefiled testimony for all of the named witnesses
18 be inserted into the record?

19 **MR. KEATING:** Yes.

20 **COMMISSIONER DEASON:** Without objection,
21 show that that testimony is inserted. Is there an
22 objection?

23 **COMMISSIONER CLARK:** No. No. There's no
24 objection. But I noticed there was a typo that I
25 think needs to be corrected because it makes -- it

1 says "omitted" instead of "emitted" and I think that
2 needs to be changed. And I think it's on Page 12 of
3 Mr. Elwing's?

4 **MR. YOUNG:** Mr. Chairman, we have an exhibit
5 that I think Mr. Keating will be addressing, or I will
6 be addressing, which is the witnesses' affidavit
7 affirming the correction, not only of their prefiled
8 testimony and exhibits, but the corrections to their
9 testimony.

10 **COMMISSIONER CLARK:** Oh, okay.

11 **COMMISSIONER DEASON:** Well, that then moves
12 us then into the identification of exhibits.

13 **MR. KEATING:** I believe -- I'll go ahead and
14 at this time ask that the affidavits that Mr. Young
15 just referred to be identified as Exhibit 1. I
16 believe everybody should have a copy of that. And
17 that --

18 **COMMISSIONER DEASON:** The affidavits will be
19 identified as Composite Exhibit 1.

20 **MR. KEATING:** And that can be titled
21 Affidavits Affirming Correctness of Prefiled Testimony
22 and Exhibits. And we would request that that exhibit
23 be moved into the record.

24 **COMMISSIONER DEASON:** Without objection,
25 show that exhibit is admitted.

1 (Exhibit 1 marked for identification and
2 received in evidence.)

3 **MR. KEATING:** As to the other exhibits,
4 those that were filed with the prefiled testimony of
5 the witnesses, those are listed, I believe, on Pages 9
6 and 10 of the Prehearing Order. If we can mark those
7 now for identification.

8 **COMMISSIONER DEASON:** Those will be
9 identified as Exhibits 2 through 15.

10 **MR. KEATING:** Okay. I believe one of those,
11 we will omit the second one on Page 9, LAK-2.

12 **COMMISSIONER DEASON:** LAK-2, the second item
13 on the list on Page 9 of the prehearing order, is
14 being deleted, and, therefore, the remaining exhibits
15 will be numbered 2 through 14; correct?

16 **MR. KEATING:** I believe that's correct.

17 (Exhibits 2 through 14 marked for
18 identification.)

19 **COMMISSIONER DEASON:** Okay.

20 **MR. KEATING:** Staff has a couple of exhibits
21 that we'd like to have marked for identification. One
22 is the Proof of Publication of the Notice in the local
23 newspaper in the Lakeland area.

24 **COMMISSIONER DEASON:** This is a one-page
25 exhibit?

1 **MR. KEATING:** That's correct. That would
2 be, I guess --

3 **COMMISSIONER DEASON:** It will be identified
4 as Exhibit No. 15.

5 (Exhibit 15 marked for identification.)

6 **MR. KEATING:** Finally, Staff has prepared a
7 composite exhibit, I believe everybody has a copy of.
8 That consists of the depositions of four of Lakeland's
9 witnesses, Responses to Staff Interrogatories and
10 Responses to Certain Staff Request for Production of
11 Documents. We ask that that be marked for
12 identification.

13 **COMMISSIONER DEASON:** That will be
14 identified as Exhibit No. 16.

15 (Exhibit 16 marked for identification.)

16 **MR. KEATING:** I believe that that's all that
17 I have that I'm aware of that we would like to see
18 moved into the record.

19 **COMMISSIONER DEASON:** Mr. Young, are there
20 any other exhibits?

21 **MR. YOUNG:** I think the 2 through 14
22 included the Need for Power Application on that
23 Page 9, and with that, I would -- if that's been moved
24 into the record, that would be all I would have.

25 **COMMISSIONER DEASON:** I think the Need for

1 Power Application is Exhibit 2.

2 MR. YOUNG: Right. Okay.

3 COMMISSIONER DEASON: Okay. With that
4 identification then, I think we've already admitted
5 Exhibit 1 into the record. Is there a motion then to
6 moved Exhibits 2 through 16?

7 MR. KEATING: Yes.

8 COMMISSIONER DEASON: Without objection,
9 show then that Exhibits 2 through 16 are admitted.
10 The record is now complete. All testimony and all
11 exhibits have now been entered into the record.

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

CITY OF LAKELAND

TESTIMONY OF ROBERT G. SIEGEL

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Q Please state your name and address.

A My name is Robert G. Siegel. My business address is 501 East Lemon Street; Lakeland, Florida 33801.

Q By whom are you employed and in what capacity?

A I am employed by the City of Lakeland – Department of Electric Utilities as Managing Director.

Q Please describe your responsibilities in that position.

A I am responsible for Directing all activities relating to the operation of the Department of Electric Utilities. I am responsible for all activities with regard to generation, transmission, and distribution. I am responsible for reporting to the City Commission any new projects that will require the use of new funds for construction.

Q Please state your professional experience and educational background.

A I received a Bachelors of Science degree in Electrical Engineering from University of Miami, Miami Florida. I am also a registered Professional Engineer in the State of Florida.

1 I have held various positions in the electric utility business over the 42 years of
2 my experience. Of the 42 years, 34 years have been with Lakeland and I have
3 held the Managing Director position since 1982. I have also served as the
4 Assistant Director, Electric Transmission & Distribution Manager, and Power
5 Plant Engineer while working for Lakeland.

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7 **Q What is the purpose of your testimony in this proceeding?**

8 A The primary purpose of my testimony is to provide a general description of the
9 project and discuss the need for power that McIntosh Unit 5 and the proposed
10 conversion to combined cycle will fulfill.

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12 **Q Please state Lakeland's general philosophy with respect to supplying energy
13 to their existing and future customers.**

14 A Lakeland strives to provide the most cost-effective methods of generation possible
15 to its customers consistent with consideration for reliability and the environment.
16 This is accomplished by reducing costs of operation while maintaining a reliable
17 system. Some of the key factors that impact our systems costs include the
18 efficiency of our units, reliability, maintenance activities required to maintain the
19 units, age of the existing units, and environmental impacts of operating the units.
20 Lakeland analyzes on a continual basis what can be done to meet its goals. The
21 analysis considers new generating opportunities, power purchase contracts, fuel
22 procurement, unit retirements, reliability considerations, and overall cost-
23 effectiveness.

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25 **Q Please briefly describe the development of the Project.**

1 A In 1995 Lakeland projected its generating capacity would fall below the required
2 15 percent reserve margin by winter of 1997/98. To offset the capacity shortfall
3 in 1998, 1999, and 2000, Lakeland's strategy was to purchase from the
4 marketplace, as it was generally a "buyer's market". In late 1996, bids were
5 solicited for 3 to 5 year capacity purchases and many proposals were received.
6 Two contracts were finalized from the bids 1) ENRON contract for 20 MW
7 expiring on December 31, 2001 and 2) TECO contract for 10 MW expiring on
8 September 30, 2006.

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10 During the same time period, discussions were initiated with Foster Wheeler and
11 the Department of Energy (DOE) to site a demonstration project at Lakeland
12 under the Federal Clean Coal Program for a second generation Pressurized
13 Circulating Fluidized Bed (PCFB) coal unit with a capacity of 175 MW for
14 commercial operation in early 2000. In October 1996 Lakeland was awarded
15 \$195 million under the Federal Clean Coal Program by Under Secretary, Patricia
16 F. Godley, at the U.S. Department of Energy.

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18 In December 1996, having just received the DOE funding, the plan was to have an
19 Engineer/Procure/Construct (EPC) contract in place by February 1997 with Foster
20 Wheeler. The critical path was permitting this unit under the Florida Electrical
21 Power Plant Siting Act including the Florida Public Service Commission
22 Determination of Need.

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24 In order to ensure the project was the least-cost alternative, an Invitation for
25 Proposals (IFP) was issued in late February 1997 requesting bids for 200 MW

1 over 20 years for capacity and energy. Proposals were received from 13 bidders.
2 The external bids for 200 MW were evaluated and ranked, and talks began with
3 the apparent low bidder, Tenaska Energy Partners. Tenaska proposed building a
4 414 MW (winter rating with supplemental firing) Westinghouse 501G 1x1
5 combined cycle unit at the McIntosh Plant for commercial operation on January 1,
6 2001.

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8 Negotiations with Foster Wheeler for the PCFB unit stalled, and in June 1997,
9 Lakeland had still not received a firm proposal. In late June 1997, an unsolicited
10 proposal was received from Westinghouse for Lakeland to be the host site for the
11 first 501G simple cycle combustion turbine for operation in the summer of 1999.
12 Instead of building a combustion turbine unit after the PCFB, it could be done
13 before the PCFB. Because of the 501G's larger size, Lakeland could retire some
14 older, less efficient, and less reliable generating units that have higher emissions
15 while reducing overall generation costs.

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17 In August of 1997 a proposal was finally received from Foster Wheeler on the
18 PCFB unit. The EPC price was considerably more than the "budget" price and
19 the in-service date had slipped to late 2002. It was evident that consummating a
20 deal with Foster Wheeler was going to take considerable time and effort and may
21 not occur in time to meet load growth. The Westinghouse offer was evaluated
22 and determined to be the best alternative available. The decision was made to
23 recommend to the City Commission that purchasing the Westinghouse 501G
24 should be the first step in providing for Lakeland's future generation needs.
25 During August and September 1997, several public City Commission meetings

1 were held regarding the project. On October 6, 1997, the Lakeland City
2 Commission voted approval (7-0) to buy the Westinghouse 501G simple cycle
3 unit, with an EPC price of \$49.189 million. The commission also approved a six-
4 year maintenance contract for \$25 million, in which Westinghouse has guaranteed
5 an equivalent availability of 92 percent for the 501G combustion turbine.
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7 The unit is currently under construction as a simple cycle combustion turbine with
8 commercial operation scheduled for July 1999. The conversion to combined
9 cycle with the installation of the steam turbine, heat recovery steam generator
10 (HRSG), and associated equipment is scheduled to start in the summer of 2000
11 with a commercial operation date for the combined cycle conversion of January 1,
12 2002. The estimated capital cost of the conversion to combined cycle is \$80.5
13 million.
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15 **Q Is the conversion of McIntosh Unit 5 the most economic alternative available**
16 **to Lakeland at this time?**

17 **A** Yes, this alternative will produce significant economic benefits to Lakeland and
18 its customers. As Mr. Runyan will testify, McIntosh Unit 5 and its conversion to
19 combined cycle is the least-cost alternative for Lakeland. The conversion of
20 McIntosh Unit 5 to combine cycle is \$27.7 million lower in costs than the
21 installation of a new 501F combined cycle unit and \$71.9 million lower in cost
22 than the installation of a new 501F simple cycle combustion turbine. The
23 conversion of McIntosh Unit 5 to combined cycle is \$21.1 million lower in costs
24 than the lowest cost IFP proposal.
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1 Q Under Section 403.519 of the Florida Statutes, the Electrical Power Plant
2 Siting Act, what are the four key points which must be demonstrated to
3 prove a need for construction of new steam power generation?

4 A The applicant must demonstrate a need for the proposed power plant, taking into
5 account the following:

- 6 • Need for electric system reliability and integrity
- 7 • Need for adequate electricity at a reasonable cost
- 8 • Demonstration that the proposed plant is the most cost effective alternative
- 9 • Demonstration that the need for power has been mitigated by the
10 implementation of all cost effective conservation and demand side alternatives

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12 Q Do you believe McIntosh Unit 5 and the proposed conversion to combined
13 cycle meets the statutory requirements of Florida Statutes 403.519?

14 A Yes.

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16 Q Has Lakeland demonstrated a need for the proposed power plant, taking into
17 account the need for electric system reliability and integrity?

18 A Yes. Lakeland has demonstrated McIntosh Unit 5 and the proposed conversion to
19 combined cycle are needed for electric system reliability and integrity. Lakeland
20 has demonstrated a need for capacity in 2002 with a 15 percent reserve margin.
21 McIntosh Unit 5 and the proposed conversion to combined cycle contribute to
22 Peninsular Florida's reliability and integrity, as reserve margins in the state are
23 low and highly dependent upon load management and interruptible contracts.
24 This issue is discussed in detail in the testimony of Mr. Elwing and Mr. Runyan.

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1 Q **Has Lakeland demonstrated a need for the proposed power plant taking into**
2 **account the need for adequate electricity at a reasonable cost?**

3 A Yes. McIntosh Unit 5 and the proposed conversion to combine cycle will provide
4 reliable generation with very low power costs. The unit will be the industry's
5 most efficient combined cycle using clean burning natural gas. This issue is
6 further discussed in the testimony of Mr. Elwing and Mr. Runyan.

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8 Q **Has Lakeland demonstrated that the proposed power plant is the most cost-**
9 **effective alternative available?**

10 A Yes. The costs and performance characteristics of McIntosh Unit 5 and the
11 proposed conversion to combined cycle were provided in the Need for Power
12 application with details including information on the site, design, and engineering
13 characteristics. Lakeland studied several generating technologies including
14 conventional, advanced, and renewable energy sources under base case and
15 sensitivity analyses. McIntosh Unit 5 and the proposed conversion to combined
16 cycle has been selected as the least-cost alternative in the base case and sensitivity
17 analyses against numerous self-build alternatives and feasible power purchase
18 proposals received from the IFP. The significantly discounted price that Lakeland
19 obtained from Westinghouse for hosting the first 501G installation contributes to
20 McIntosh Unit 5's low cost. Furthermore, Lakeland has conducted an IFP process
21 to identify potential power supply alternatives. No feasible alternatives were
22 lower in cost than McIntosh Unit 5. This issue is discussed in more detail in the
23 testimony of Mr. Rollins and Mr. Runyan.

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25 Q **Finally, has Lakeland demonstrated that there were no conservation**

1 **measures taken by or reasonably available which might mitigate the need for**
2 **the proposed power plant?**

3 A Yes. Lakeland has always supported cost-effective demand-side management
4 programs. Lakeland evaluated 66 potential conservation and demand-side
5 management programs using the FIRE model to compare against the conversion
6 of McIntosh Unit 5 to combined cycle. No conservation or demand-side
7 management programs proved to be cost-effective based on the FIRE modeling
8 conducted.

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10 Lakeland currently has several conservation and load management programs in
11 place to reduce energy and peak demand and plans to continue those programs.
12 Lakeland is also an active participant in the pursuit of solar power, with four
13 programs in operation. This issue is discussed in more detail in the testimony of
14 Mr. Lawrence and Mr. Runyan.

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16 **Q Does McIntosh Unit 5 and the proposed conversion to combined cycle meet**
17 **Lakeland's strategic considerations in selecting a power supply alternative?**

18 A Yes. In selecting a power supply alternative, a utility must consider certain
19 strategic factors, which reflect the utility's long-term ability to provide
20 economical and reliable electric capacity and energy to its consumers. A number
21 of strategic considerations favor the conversion of McIntosh Unit 5 to combined
22 cycle. These include exceptional efficiency, low installation cost on a \$/kW
23 basis, low operating costs, domestically produced fuel, existing site which can
24 support the project capacity, electric industry deregulation, and environmental
25 benefits and risks.

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2 **Q Is the timing of Lakeland's petition for need for McIntosh Unit 5 and its**
3 **proposed conversion to combined cycle appropriate?**

4 A Yes, the timing of the petition is critical for McIntosh Unit 5 conversion to
5 combined cycle for commercial operation for January 1, 2002. The timing is
6 critical because Public Service Commission approval for the conversion of
7 McIntosh Unit 5 is necessary before the project can receive certification under the
8 Florida Electrical Power Plant Siting Act. Certification is necessary before
9 construction activities can begin on the conversion to combined cycle.
10 Furthermore, there are significant economic and reliability impacts if the unit is
11 delayed.

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13 **Q Will there be adverse consequences if the proposed conversion to combined**
14 **cycle is not completed in the time frame requested?**

15 A Yes, there are significant potential reliability and economic impacts if the
16 conversion of McIntosh Unit 5 to combined cycle is not completed for the
17 January 1, 2002 commercial operation. Lakeland's reserve margin will fall below
18 the required 15 percent minimum reserve margin in 2002 if Lakeland's request is
19 not granted. This could lead to potential outages and system failures for Lakeland
20 and Peninsular Florida. The customers will suffer adverse consequences with the
21 possibility of inadequate power supply and potentially very high cost electricity.
22 With the low reserve margins projected for the state in 2002, the potential for
23 insufficient power supplies may exist. Furthermore, there are adverse economic
24 effects if the unit is delayed by even one year.

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1 Q Please summarize what additional testimony will be presented before the
2 Commission today.

3 A We will be testifying before the Commission in regards to our petition for
4 determination of need for McIntosh Unit 5 and its proposed conversion from
5 simple cycle to combined cycle. The individuals include Paul H. Elwing, Gary T.
6 Lawrence, Rolando Sanz-Guerrero, Daniel J. Runyan, Myron R. Rollins, and
7 David H. McLain. Each of these individuals will adopt portions of the Need for
8 Power Application as part of their prefiled testimony.

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10 Q Does this conclude your testimony?

11 A Yes, it does.

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1 BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

2 CITY OF LAKELAND

3 TESTIMONY OF PAUL H. ELWING

4 DOCKET NO. 990023-EM

5 FEBRUARY 3, 1999

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7 **Q Please state your name and address.**8 A My name is Paul H. Elwing. My business address is 501 East Lemon Street;
9 Lakeland, Florida 33801.

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11 **Q By whom are you employed and in what capacity?**12 A I am employed by the City of Lakeland – Department of Electric Utilities as an
13 Electrical Engineer III in the System Control Division.

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15 **Q Please describe your responsibilities in that position.**16 A My responsibilities in this position include transmission planning, transmission
17 regulatory oversight at the State and Federal levels, Florida Public Service
18 Commission liaison and non-environmental regulatory permitting for new
19 generation projects.

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21 **Q Please state your professional experience and educational background.**22 A. I have a Bachelors Degree in Electrical Engineering from the University of South
23 Florida, Tampa Florida and have been employed in various positions with the
24 City of Lakeland for 19 years. During my tenure with Lakeland I have held the
25 positions of Planning Engineer I, II & III in the System Planning Division for 7

1 years, Manager of System Planning for 9 years, Electrical Engineer III in the
2 Production Engineering Division for 2 years and most recently Electrical
3 Engineer III in the System Control Division.

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5 While in the System Planning Division my responsibilities included involvement
6 and management of generation planning and supply side studies, fuel conversion
7 studies, demand side studies and analysis including load research, wholesale
8 power purchase/sales analysis and rate development, development of the Annual
9 Fuel Budget, transmission planning including substation sizing and siting,
10 wholesale transmission business development and one of Lakeland's regulatory
11 interfaces for generation and transmission issues at the local, state, and federal
12 levels. In my most recent two positions in the Production Engineering Division
13 and now System Control Division, my responsibilities are primarily related to
14 electric transmission and regulatory interface as described earlier.

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16 In addition to my direct duties with Lakeland, I have served on the following:
17 Florida Electric Power Coordinating Group (FCG), now called the Florida
18 Reliability Coordinating Council (FRCC), Task Forces: Load Management Task
19 Force, Generation Task Force (now referred to as the Resource Working Group),
20 Fuel Price Forecast Task Force, Transmission Task Force (now referred to as the
21 Transmission Working Group), System Planning Committee, Available
22 Transmission Capacity Working Group, and the FRCC Engineering Committee.
23 While on the Transmission Task Force and System Planning Committee I have
24 served as both Vice-Chair and Chairperson of each of those groups.

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1 Q **What is the purpose of your testimony in this proceeding?**

2 A The primary purpose of my testimony is to demonstrate that McIntosh Unit 5 and
3 the proposed conversion to combined cycle are needed for both electric system
4 reliability and integrity, as well as the provision of adequate electricity at
5 reasonable costs. In addition, my testimony will provide a general overview of
6 Lakeland's system, a description of the proposed project, a discussion of planned
7 unit retirements, a discussion of Lakeland's power sales contracts, Lakeland's
8 reliability criteria, and the consequences of delay of the project.

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10 Q **Were there subsections of the Lakeland McIntosh Unit 5 Need for Power
11 Application prepared by you or under your direct supervision?**

12 A Yes, the Executive Summary, Section 1.0, Section 2.0, Section 3.0, Section 17.0,
13 Sections 18.0 - 18.1, and Section 20.0.

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15 Q **Are you adopting these Sections as part of your testimony?**

16 A Yes, I am.

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18 Q **Are there any corrections to these Subsections?**

19 A Yes. Attached as Exhibit PHE-1 are minor typographical corrections to my
20 adopted sections of the Need for Power Application including the retirement dates
21 for McIntosh 1 and 2 in Table 3-1. The correct retirement dates were shown on
22 Page 3-8 of the Need for Power Application.

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24 Q **Please describe the operations of Lakeland.**

25 A City of Lakeland is a municipal corporation, duly organized, and legally existing

1 as part of the government of the City of Lakeland with the Department of Electric
2 Utilities, engaged in the generation, transmission, and distribution of electric
3 power.

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5 The City of Lakeland is a member of the Florida Municipal Power Pool (FMPP)
6 with Orlando Utilities Commission (OUC), Kissimmee Utility Authority (KUA),
7 and Florida Municipal Power Agency (FMPA). As part of FMPP, Lakeland
8 shares in the savings for the combined dispatch of the four municipal utilities.
9 While each municipal utility must plan for system capacity additions for their own
10 system, the benefits of McIntosh Unit 5 will be realized by all participants within
11 FMPP.

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13 **Q Please describe the resources currently available to meet Lakeland's capacity**
14 **and energy requirements.**

15 **A** Lakeland's service area is located within Polk County, Florida. In 1999,
16 Lakeland's total installed winter capacity was 649 MW. Lakeland's existing
17 generating units are located at two sites, Charles Larsen Memorial (Larsen) and C.
18 D. McIntosh Jr. (McIntosh). The Larsen plant has five existing units, which burn
19 natural gas and oil. The McIntosh plant has six existing units. Two units are
20 diesels, three units burn natural gas, and Unit 3's primary fuel is coal. A seventh
21 unit is under construction and will be the 249 MW Westinghouse 501G
22 combustion turbine.

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24 Lakeland is interconnected with Florida Power Corporation (FPC), Orlando
25 Utilities Commission (OUC), and Tampa Electric Company (TECO). Lakeland is

1 connected to the 500 kV transmission network via FPC.
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3 **Q Does Lakeland currently have any purchase power contracts?**

4 A Effective January 1, 1999, Lakeland entered into a contract with The Energy
5 Authority (TEA) for 20 MW until March 31, 1999. This recent power purchase is
6 not reflected in the Need for Power Application. Lakeland had a contract with
7 ENRON Power for 20 MW expiring on December 31, 2001 and a contract with
8 Tampa Electric Company for 10 MW expiring on September 30, 2006, but by
9 mutual agreement both contracts have been terminated.
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11 **Q What did Lakeland do to replace the capacity?**

12 A With the winter peak demand period less than a year away, there was no time to
13 install new capacity to meet reserve requirements. The decision was made to
14 temporarily bring Larsen Unit 6 back into service. Larsen Unit 6 is a 27 MW
15 steam unit that was retired in March of 1997. After McIntosh Unit 5 is installed,
16 Larsen Unit 6 will be retired again in March of 1999.
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18 **Q Does Lakeland also sell power to other utilities?**

19 A Yes. Lakeland currently has two firm power sales contracts. The first contract
20 was negotiated with The Energy Authority (TEA) for a power sale of 25 MW
21 from Larsen Unit 7 from March 1, 1999 to February 28, 2001. Larsen Unit 7 has
22 recently completed a major maintenance outage to replace plugged and damaged
23 boiler tubes that has allowed Lakeland to return the unit back to its nameplate
24 dispatchable capacity of 50 MW from its current derated capacity of 40 MW.
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1 Lakeland originally planned to retire Larsen Unit 7 coincident with the
 2 commercial operation of McIntosh Unit 5 in simple cycle. The sale to TEA
 3 effectively has TEA pay for retubing the boiler as well as some O&M costs in
 4 addition to fuel costs incurred. By making the sale, Lakeland was able to have the
 5 unit repaired and maintain its operation for an extended period.

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 7 The second contract is with Florida Municipal Power Agency (FMPA) for
 8 capacity and energy. The contract is for 50 MW from December 15, 2000 to June
 9 14, 2001; then 100 MW from June 15, 2001 through December 14, 2010. This
 10 contract allows FMPA to choose between a system sale or a specific unit. This
 11 decision will be made prior to July 1999.

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 13 **Q Are there any planned retirements for the City of Lakeland?**

14 **A** Lakeland plans to retire older, less efficient units as new capacity additions
 15 provide more cost effective generating units. This will provide Lakeland with
 16 generating units that are more efficient, more reliable, and produce fewer
 17 emissions on a kWh basis compared to current generating units. This fulfills
 18 many of Lakeland's strategic considerations for the future. The following units
 19 will be retired over the upcoming years based upon Lakeland's proposed
 20 expansion plan.

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Unit	Current	Summer	Winter	Anticipated
<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Capacity</u>	<u>Capacity</u>	<u>Retirement Date</u>
Larsen CT1	36	10.0	14.0	05/1998
Larsen 6	39	25.0	27.0	03/1999

1	Larsen 7	32	50.0	50.0	03/2001
2	McIntosh 1	27	87.0	87.0	10/2002
3	McIntosh 2	22	103.0	103.0	07/2004

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5 **Q What was the reason for retiring these units at this time?**

6 A The reason each of the units are scheduled for retirements is based upon age,
7 economics, and environmental reasons. Each of the identified units will be
8 greater than 27 years old at the time of retirement with some units as old as 39
9 years. With the vast improvements in generation technology and emission
10 controls, these units are far less reliable and efficient than new generation.

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12 Larsen CT1 was retired on May 4, 1998 when the combustion turbine was
13 removed from the facility. This unit was in need of significant capital
14 expenditures to maintain its reliability. The need for capital expenditures
15 combined with the units high operating costs led to the decision to economically
16 retire the unit. Lakeland received an offer from General Electric to buy the unit
17 and the unit was thus sold to General Electric for spare parts.

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19 Larsen 6 was returned from cold shutdown to active duty in 1998 to replace the
20 lost capacity from the ENRON and TECO contracts. Larsen Unit 6 is scheduled
21 for retirement after the winter peak for 1999.

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23 The contract with TEA for 50 percent of the unit's output and capacity will
24 terminate on February 28, 2001. This is the date at which the unit is slated for
25 retirement.

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McIntosh Unit 1 is scheduled for retirement in October of 2002 after successful demonstration of the 501G combined cycle. McIntosh Unit 1 will be 31 years old at its scheduled retirement date. The unit was originally built to operate on oil but was converted to natural gas operation with oil as a backup fuel. The unit will be replaced with more efficient generation with the proposed combined cycle, thus lowering the operating cost and overall emissions of Lakeland's system.

McIntosh Unit 2 is scheduled for retirement July of 2004 after completion of the DOE Clean Coal Project. The Clean Coal Project will replace the older capacity with a cleaner, more efficient method of generation. McIntosh Unit 2 is also reaching the end of its economic life.

All of these units have outlived their useful life, and no longer represent cost-effective methods of generation as can be seen from their heat rates and availability. The following shows their full load heat rates and average forced outage factors from 1995 to 1998 compared to those projected from McIntosh Unit 5 as a combined cycle unit.

Full Load Winter	Equivalent Forced	
<u>Unit</u>	<u>Heat Rate (Btu/kWh)</u>	<u>Outage Factor (%)</u>
Larsen Unit 6	12,512	6.9
Larsen Unit 7	10,292	26.17
McIntosh 1	10,889	14.92
McIntosh 2	10,561	17.79

McIntosh 5 CC	6,249	4.5
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4 **Q Is the capacity available from existing Lakeland power supply resources**
5 **sufficient to reliably meet future Lakeland capacity and energy**
6 **requirements?**

7 **A** No, it is not. To ensure system reliability, Lakeland plans to maintain a minimum
8 15 percent reserve margin. Applying the base case forecast for peak electrical
9 demand, Lakeland will need additional capacity by the winter of 2002 to maintain
10 a minimum 15 percent annual reserve margin. Table 9-1 of the Need for Power
11 Application summarizes the capacity additions and retirements planned over the
12 first ten years of the planning horizon before the expansion plan is implemented.
13 Table 9-2 presents the projected reserve margins and system deficit for
14 Lakeland's system for the winter period. Table 9-3 presents the projected reserve
15 margins and system deficit for Lakeland's system for the summer period. The
16 winter period is the driver for system capacity planning on Lakeland's system. As
17 Table 9-2 indicates, capacity is clearly needed in the year 2002 to maintain
18 reserve margins.

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20 Table 9-2 indicates that Lakeland needs 52 MW for the 1998/99 winter season to
21 maintain a 15 percent reserve margin. The 25 MW sale to TEA represents 25
22 MW of that 52 MW requirement; however, the sale to TEA does not commence
23 until March 1, 1999. Generally, Lakeland's winter peak occurs before March 1.
24 Lakeland has also recently purchased 20 MW from TEA from January 1, 1999
25 until March 31, 1999 which is not reflected in Table 9-2. Furthermore, Lakeland

1 completed the retubing of Larsen 7 on January 13, 1999 increasing its capability
2 from 40 MW to 50 MW.

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4 **Q Please describe the generation resource that is being proposed by Lakeland**
5 **to meet the future need for power.**

6 **A** Lakeland is seeking a determination of need by this Commission, as required by
7 the Florida Electrical Power Plant Siting Act, in order to commence detailed
8 engineering and construction activities for the proposed conversion to combined
9 cycle of McIntosh Unit 5.

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11 The basic power generation cycle for McIntosh Unit 5 and the proposed
12 conversion to combined cycle consists of the Westinghouse 501G combustion
13 turbine, 3 stage heat recovery steam generator (HRSG) with a new stack, steam
14 turbine, electric generator, minor modifications to the combustion turbine, and
15 associated balance of plant equipment. Construction of the conversion of
16 McIntosh Unit 5 to combined cycle is proposed to begin in June of 2000. The
17 combined cycle unit has a proposed commercial operating date of January 1,
18 2002. The actual net output will depend upon the specific steam turbine
19 purchased and the final design.

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21 Currently, McIntosh Unit 5 is under construction as a 249 MW ISO rated simple
22 cycle combustion turbine. McIntosh Unit 5 will operate in simple cycle mode for
23 a period of approximately 18 months and be converted to combined cycle for
24 January 1, 2002 commercial operation.

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1 The unit will burn natural gas as primary fuel and will be capable of burning No.
2 2 oil as backup fuel. An additional 1.05 million gallon storage tank will allow the
3 unit to operate at full load for approximately two and one-third days on No. 2 oil.
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5 The estimated total cost for the combined cycle conversion of McIntosh Unit 5 is
6 \$80.5 million for January 1, 2002 commercial operation. The unit will use the
7 existing operations and maintenance staff with no additional personnel projected
8 to be required. At ISO conditions, the unit is projected to have a net plant output
9 of 369 MW with a net plant full load heat rate of 6,442 Btu/kWh on a higher
10 heating value basis. The combustion turbine is guaranteed to have an equivalent
11 availability of 92 percent under the Westinghouse contract.
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13 **Q Please describe the evaluation process by which Lakeland determined that**
14 **the proposed conversion of McIntosh Unit 5 is the best method of meeting**
15 **Lakeland's future need for reliable power.**

16 **A** Lakeland has conducted an exhaustive analysis of alternative methods of meeting
17 Lakeland's future capacity and energy requirements in a reliable least cost,
18 environmentally responsible fashion. Lakeland's analysis, considered a multitude
19 of factors including:

- 20 • Alternative generation technologies and sizes
- 21 • Compliance with environmental regulations
- 22 • Purchase power alternatives
- 23 • Conservation and demand-side management alternatives
- 24 • Reliability considerations
- 25 • Uncertainty and sensitivity analysis

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2 As part of this process, Lakeland conducted an extensive Invitation for Proposals
3 (IFP) for purchased power and evaluation of the proposals received. The results
4 of the evaluation indicated that the conversion of McIntosh Unit 5 with a
5 commercial operation date of January 1, 2002, was the least cost long range
6 alternative that could meet Lakeland's reliability requirements. McIntosh Unit 5
7 will utilize the most efficient combustion turbine technology currently available.
8 The high efficiency of McIntosh Unit 5 will ensure that the project will remain a
9 competitive resource if or when deregulation occurs in Florida. Once McIntosh
10 Unit 5 is converted to a combined cycle, McIntosh Unit 5 will be the most
11 efficient power generating unit in the state.
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13 **Q Has Lakeland considered the implications of the 1990 Clean Air Act**
14 **Amendments for McIntosh Unit 5 and the proposed conversion to combined**
15 **cycle?**

16 **A** Yes. The McIntosh Unit 5 and proposed conversion to combined cycle will be an
17 affected unit under the 1990 Clean Air Act Amendments. The conversion of
18 McIntosh Unit 5 to combined cycle will lower emissions on a kilowatt hour basis
19 from the current simple cycle machine and improve fuel utilization. The 1990
20 Clean Air Act Amendment requires that affected units have continuous emissions
21 monitors. The cost for these continuous emission monitors has been included in
22 the capital costs for the conversion of McIntosh Unit 5. The 1990 Clean Air Act
23 Amendments also requires that the affected units provide SO₂ allowances when
24 omitting SO₂ through the burning of low sulfur No. 2 oil. The use of No. 2 oil will
25 be limited such that SO₂ emissions will be limited to less than 40 tons per year or

1 40 allowances per year. This small number of allowances is available from
2 Lakeland's allocation of allowances for the existing units. Currently McIntosh
3 Unit 5 has Dry Low NO_x burners for simple cycle operation and the conversion of
4 McIntosh Unit 5 will include an upgrade to Ultra Low NO_x burners. Since the
5 Ultra Low NO_x burners are still under development, Lakeland has included costs
6 for a conventional SCR in the event that the Ultra Low NO_x burners do not
7 provide sufficient reduction in NO_x emissions.
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9 **Q Will there be adverse consequences if the proposed conversion to combined**
10 **cycle is not completed in the time frame requested?**

11 **A** Yes, Lakeland's reserve margin will fall below the 15 percent minimum reserve
12 margin in 2002 if Lakeland's request is not granted. This could lead to potential
13 outages and system failures for Lakeland and Peninsular Florida. The customers
14 will suffer adverse consequences with the possibility of inadequate power supply
15 and potentially very high cost electricity. With the low reserve margins projected
16 for the state in 2002, the potential for insufficient power supplies may exist. Mr.
17 Runyan will testify that his analyses indicate an additional cost of \$9.3 million
18 would occur with a one year delay in operation.
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20 **Q Does this conclude your testimony?**

21 **A** Yes.
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1 BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

2 CITY OF LAKE LAND

3 TESTIMONY OF GARY T. LAWRENCE

4 DOCKET NO. 990023-EM

5 FEBRUARY 3, 1999

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7 **Q Please state your name and address.**8 A My name is Gary T. Lawrence. My business address is 501 East Lemon Street;
9 Lakeland, Florida 33801.

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11 **Q By whom are you employed and in what capacity?**12 A I am employed by City of Lakeland - Department of Electric Utilities as Manager
13 of the Rates Division.

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15 **Q Please describe your responsibilities in that position.**16 A My duties in this position as Manager of the Rates Division include the
17 responsibility for rate development and overseeing the various other division
18 activities. These activities include forecasting of future electric retail sales,
19 customers, seasonal peak demands, development of demand-side plans and
20 programs, demand-side management load and energy impacts, forecasting
21 department revenues, load research of customer classes for cost of service studies
22 used in rate development.

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24 **Q Please state your professional experience and educational background.**

25 A I have a Bachelors Degree in Electrical Engineering Technology from the

1 Southern Technical Institute in Marietta, Georgia and a Masters in Business
2 Administration from Florida Southern College in Lakeland, Florida. I have been
3 employed in various positions with the City of Lakeland for 17 years. During my
4 tenure with Lakeland I have held the positions of Supervisor of System Planning
5 for 6 1/2 years, and Manager of Rates for 10 1/2 years. Prior to my employment
6 with Lakeland, I worked in various positions with the electric utility of the City of
7 Tallahassee. During my nine (9) years with Tallahassee I worked in various
8 groups, including, transmission and distribution engineering, system protection,
9 and system planning. My responsibilities in system planning included
10 distribution, substation, transmission, and generation planning and forecasting of
11 retail sales and seasonal peak loads.

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13 While in the system planning division with Lakeland, my responsibilities included
14 oversight of generation planning and supply side studies, fuel conversion studies,
15 demand-side studies and analysis including, development of the Department's
16 annual fuel budget, distribution and transmission planning including substation
17 sizing and siting.

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19 **Q What is the purpose of your testimony in this proceeding?**

20 **A** The purpose of my testimony is to provide a general overview of Lakeland's load
21 forecast and existing demand side management programs. I will also testify that
22 Lakeland has reduced energy and demand requirements for its system through
23 cost-effective conservation and demand-side alternatives.

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25 **Q Were there Sections of the Lakeland McIntosh Unit 5 Need for Power**

1 **Application prepared by you or under your direct supervision?**

2 A Yes, Section 7.0, Section 8.0 - 8.2, and Appendix 21.1.

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4 **Q Are you adopting these Sections as part of your testimony?**

5 A Yes, I am.

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7 **Q Are there any corrections to these Subsections?**

8 A Yes. Attached as Exhibit GTL-1 is minor word processing correction to page 8-8
9 which completes the remainder of the paragraph.

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11 **Q Was the forecast of power demand and energy prepared by you or under
12 your direct supervision?**

13 A Yes, it was. Lakeland develops forecasts for population, accounts, sales, net
14 energy for load, summer peak demand, and winter peak demand to support
15 planning and Ten-Year Site Plan production. A base case forecast is generated
16 for each of the preceding parameters. The base case summer demand, winter
17 demand, and net energy for load for 1999 are 510 MW, 588 MW, and 2,655
18 GWH (with conservation) respectively after considering interruptible load. The
19 annual average growth rates (AAGR) of the preceding forecasts are 1.95, 2.53,
20 and 2.31 respectively for the forecast horizon. In support of the Need for Power
21 Application, Black & Veatch developed high load growth and low load growth
22 sensitivities. The high load growth case assumes annual load growth is 1.5
23 percent higher and the low load growth case assumes annual growth is 1.5 percent
24 lower than the base case.

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1 Q **Please describe the forecasting process utilized by Lakeland to project energy**
2 **requirements and system peak load.**

3 A Lakeland develops forecasts for population, accounts, sales, net energy for load,
4 summer peak demand, and winter peak demand. The preceding forecasts are
5 developed, and models are re-evaluated, on a fiscal and annual basis. Lakeland's
6 fiscal year ends on September 30.

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8 Lakeland utilized the 1997 Annual Bureau of Economic and Business Research
9 (BEBR) forecast for projections of Polk County population. Service Territory
10 Population projections are developed for inside and outside Lakeland's city limits.

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12 Lakeland forecasts the number of accounts in residential, general service, general
13 service demand, general service large demand, interruptible, contract, and others
14 (including electric, water, municipal, and private area lighting). For residential,
15 commercial, and industrial accounts, projections are developed for inside and
16 outside Lakeland's city limits.

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18 The total sales forecast for the City of Lakeland is based on normal weather
19 conditions and is a summation of the individual forecasts. Summation of total
20 sales indicates an AAGR of 2.36 percent from 1999 through 2018. A 3.71
21 percent AAGR was experienced over the last 10 years of historical sales.

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23 Lakeland projects net energy for load based on a regression model using year and
24 historical total sales as the independent variables. The model has an Adjusted R-
25 squared of 99.7 percent. Lakeland projects losses as the difference between sales

1 and net energy for load. The total percentage of system energy losses remains
2 relatively constant in the short-term and begins to decrease slightly in the long-
3 term. Since Lakeland's projection of net energy for load is based on historical net
4 energy for load, it inherently includes the effect of Lakeland's energy
5 conservation programs.

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7 Lakeland forecasts electric system winter and summer season peak demands for
8 each year using regression models. The winter season is defined as November
9 through March and the summer season is defined as April through October. The
10 regression model for the winter peak demand used minimum temperature, day of
11 the week, prior day's average temperature and year as the independent variables.
12 The regression model for the summer peak demand used maximum temperature
13 and population as the independent variables. The minimum and maximum
14 temperatures used for projecting peak demand were 30° F and 97° F, respectively.
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16 **Q Does the load forecast process utilized by Lakeland consider the major**
17 **factors that will determine the need for power by the year 2002?**

18 **A** Yes, it does. Forecasts of electrical loads for the Lakeland system were
19 developed through the year 2018 for use in the assessment of needs and economic
20 analysis. The load forecasts consist of a base case forecast, and two sensitivity
21 cases to bracket the peak demand growth with a high and low forecast. The
22 forecasts are based upon historical information and detailed forecasting
23 methodology. Lakeland forecasts have considered the major demographic and
24 economic factors, which influence the demand for electricity. We have
25 specifically considered population growth, customer growth by rate class, growth

1 inside and outside the city limits, the impact of weather, employment levels, and
2 household income levels.

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4 **Q Are the forecast assumptions used by Lakeland reasonable?**

5 A Yes. The projection for economic and demographic growth assumptions made for
6 the Lakeland area is a realistic scenario of how the future may unfold. The
7 projections of demographic and economic valuables have been provided by a
8 credible and unbiased source, the 1997 University of Florida's Bureau of
9 Economic and Business Research (BEBR) Annual Forecast.

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11 Projections for the number of accounts, including residential, commercial,
12 industrial, municipal, water, electric, and private area lighting accounts, were
13 based on regression models and historical growth trends. Projections for the sales
14 forecasts, including residential, commercial, industrial, private area lighting, and
15 municipal, were also based on regression models and historical trends. For more
16 precise, specific and provincial data, separate distinct regression model
17 projections were generated for inside and outside Lakeland's city limits.

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19 Lakeland projections for net energy for load were based on a regression model.
20 Lakeland predicts the total percentage of system energy losses to remain
21 relatively constant in the short-term and begin to decrease slightly in the long-
22 term.

23 For each year, the peak demand forecasts for winter and summer were based
24 using regression models. Winter includes the months from November through
25 March and summer months are April through October.

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2 Lakeland conducted two sensitivity cases to the base case load forecast, reflecting
3 a high load growth and low load growth case. The two sensitivity cases provide a
4 bracket in which Lakeland can evaluate potential power supply planning
5 alternatives and test the robustness of the base case against higher or lower load
6 growth.

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8 **Q Please describe Lakeland's current conservation and solar programs that**
9 **reduce peak demands and energy consumption.**

10 **A** Lakeland has several existing conservation and demand-side management
11 programs that are currently available and address four major areas of demand-side
12 management:

- 13 • Reduction in weather-sensitive loads.
- 14 • Reduction of energy needs on a per-customer basis.
- 15 • Movement of energy to off-peak hours
- 16 • Reduce use of expensive petroleum fuels.

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18 Lakeland has two residential load management programs and three commercial
19 load management programs. The residential programs include the SMART
20 program and the loan program. The commercial lighting program, thermal energy
21 storage program, and high-pressure sodium outdoor lighting program make up the
22 commercial load management program. Details of the programs are highlighted
23 in Section 8.1 of the Need for Power Application. Lakeland has several other
24 conservation programs that provide no demonstrable demand and energy savings
25 from a measurable standpoint, but strives to reduce consumption of energy.

1 These programs include residential energy audits, public awareness programs,
2 mobile display units, speakers bureau, informational bill inserts, commercial
3 energy audits, demand-side management technology research, direct expansion
4 ground-source heat pump studies, whole-house demand controllers, and time-of
5 day rates.

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7 The City of Lakeland is considering several alternatives for future conservation
8 and demand-side management programs. Lakeland is considering three solar
9 projects and is currently researching their application. The three programs under
10 consideration include distributed generation using solar-thermal collectors, utility-
11 interactive residential photovoltaic systems, and integrated photovoltaics for
12 Florida residences. Section 8.2 of the Need for Power Application provide details
13 of each of these programs.

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15 **Q Has Lakeland effectively mitigated power consumption by implementation of**
16 **all cost-effective conservation and demand-side alternatives?**

17 **A** Yes. Lakeland has several conservation and demand-side programs in-place to
18 reduce energy consumption and reduce peak demands. Also Lakeland has
19 analyzed, as Mr. Runyan will testify to, new conservation and demand-side
20 management programs against the supply-side alternative. There were no
21 conservation measures that were cost-effective.

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23 **Q Does this conclude your testimony?**

24 **A** Yes.

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1 BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

2 CITY OF LAKELAND

3 TESTIMONY OF ROLANDO SANZ-GUERRERO

4 DOCKET NO. 990023-EM

5 FEBRUARY 3, 1999

6
7 **Q Please state your name and address.**8 A My name is Rolando Sanz-Guerrero. My business address is 501 East Lemon
9 Street in Lakeland, Florida 33801.

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11 **Q By whom are you employed and in what capacity?**12 A I am employed by the City of Lakeland - Department of Electric Utilities as
13 Manager of Business Development and Fuels.

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15 **Q Please describe your responsibilities in that position.**16 A I am accountable for all purchases and sales of all fuel and energy types including
17 coal, petroleum coke, natural gas, oil, and electric contracts with durations of over
18 one month. I am also responsible for all wholesale business development.

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20 **Q Please state your professional experience and educational background.**21 A I have a Masters degree in economics from the University of South Florida. I
22 have 11 years experience with City of Lakeland ranging from forecasting to
23 economic analyses to strategic analyses. My forecasting experience encompasses
24 Chair and Vice Chair of the Forecast and Research Committee of the Florida
25 Electric Power Coordinating Group (FCG), Vice Chair of the Fuel Forecasting

1 Committee of the FCG and Vice and Chair of the Electr. Forecasting group
2 SHAPES.

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4 I have completed studies in Economics, Business Administration, and
5 Management from Aquinas College, University of Seville, Florida Southern
6 College, and the University of South Florida.

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8 **Q What is the purpose of your prefiled testimony in this proceeding?**

9 A The purpose of my testimony is to discuss the Invitation for Proposal (IFP)
10 process and evaluations, Lakeland's fuel price projections, and fuel for McIntosh
11 Unit 5.

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13 **Q Were there Sections of the Need for Power Application prepared by you or
14 under your direct supervision?**

15 A Yes, Sections 10.1 – 10.2, Appendix 21.2, and Appendix 21.3 were prepared
16 under my supervision.

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18 **Q Are you adopting these Sections as part of your testimony?**

19 A Yes, I am.

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21 **Q Are there any corrections to these Sections?**

22 A Yes. Attached as Exhibit RSG-1 is a minor typographical correction to my
23 adopted section of the Need for Power Application. In addition, the table for the
24 low fuel price forecast in Appendix 21.2 which was prepared by Black & Veatch
25 has incorrect values listed for coal. The corrected values are shown in Exhibit

1 RSG-1 and do not affect other numbers in the Need for Power Application.
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3 **Q Has Lakeland adequately explored and evaluated the availability of purchase**
4 **power from other electric utilities and independent power producers?**

5 A Yes. Lakeland issued an Invitation for Proposals on February 21, 1997. The IFP
6 stated that Lakeland foresees the need for capacity and energy beginning January
7 1, 2002 for a twenty-year period. The IFP required bidders to include only bids
8 that were from identifiable resources. Identifiable resources included specific
9 generating units, specific plant sites comprised of one or more units, or multiple
10 plant sites comprising multiple units. The IFP also requires firm capacity and
11 must be countable for reserves in the state of Florida, with delivery to Lakeland's
12 system. The IFP requested a minimum of 200 MW in 50 MW blocks for January
13 1, 2002 through December 31, 2021. The IFP is included in Appendix 21.3 in the
14 Need for Power Application.
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16 Lakeland received proposals from 13 bidders for the IFP issued. While several
17 of the bids did not meet the minimum criteria of the IFP and were not considered
18 by Lakeland, all bids were modeled in the Need for Power Application to
19 determine the economic viability of each bid. Subsections 10.2.1 through 10.2.13
20 of the Need for Power Application provide a brief summary of the bids, with
21 Table 10-1 included as an overall summary.
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23 **Q Has Lakeland adequately explored and evaluated the availability of purchase**
24 **power from qualifying facilities and non-utility generators?**

25 A Yes the IFP process did not exclude qualifying facilities or non-utility generators.

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Q Does Lakeland have purchase power alternatives that are lower in cost than the conversion of McIntosh Unit 5?

A No. Lakeland evaluated purchase power bids from the extensive IFP process. All of the purchase power bids were significantly more expensive than the conversion of McIntosh Unit 5. The lowest cost bid was \$21.073 million dollars more expensive than the self-build alternative as will be testified by Mr. Runyan.

Q Did you develop the fuel price projections used in the Need for Power Application?

A Yes. I developed the base case fuel price projections contained in Appendix 21.2 based on my specific experience in purchasing fuel for Lakeland. Black & Veatch developed the high case, low case, and constant differential case from my base case projections.

Q Has Lakeland provided adequate assurances regarding available primary and secondary fuel to serve the proposed facility on a long term and short term basis at a reasonable cost?

A Yes. Lakeland has reviewed available forecasts and determined that there will be adequate supply capacity for natural gas and oil to fuel McIntosh Unit 5 and the proposed conversion to combined cycle. Lakeland currently maintains approximately 50 percent of its natural gas commodity and transportation requirements under contract with the remaining amount bought on the spot market.

1 **Q Has Lakeland adequately provided appropriate assurances that sufficient**
2 **natural gas pipeline capacity will be available to transport natural gas to the**
3 **proposed combined cycle unit?**

4 **A** Yes, Lakeland has provided appropriate assurances that sufficient natural gas
5 pipeline capacity will be available to transport natural gas to the proposed
6 combined cycle unit. The existing pipeline from the St. Petersburg lateral to the
7 McIntosh site is sized for approximately 800 MW of natural gas generation.
8 Lakeland currently has nearly 40,000 Mcf/Day of FTS-1 and FTS-2 transportation
9 capacity under contract from Florida Gas Transmission Company (FGT).
10 Lakeland is also currently negotiating with third parties for additional natural gas
11 transportation and commodity. FGT's Phase IV expansion will ensure that
12 adequate natural gas transportation capacity is available to supply McIntosh Unit
13 5. Lakeland's planned unit retirements also makes additional natural gas
14 transportation capacity available for McIntosh Unit 5.

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16 **Q Does this conclude your testimony?**

17 **A** Yes, it does.
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1 BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

2 CITY OF LAKELAND

3 TESTIMONY OF DANIEL J. RUNYAN

4 DOCKET NO. 990023-EM

5 FEBRUARY 3, 1999

6

7 **Q Please state your name and address.**8 A My name is Daniel J. Runyan. My business address is 11401 Lamar, Overland
9 Park, Kansas 66211.

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11 **Q By whom are you employed and in what capacity.**12 A I am employed by Black & Veatch as a System Planning Consultant in the Plant
13 Services Department of the Power Division.

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15 **Q Please describe your responsibilities in that position.**16 A As a System Planning Consultant for Black & Veatch, I am responsible for
17 providing consulting services for utility and non-utility clients. The consulting
18 services encompass a wide variety of tasks including: load forecasts, conservation
19 and demand-side management evaluations, reliability criteria and evaluations,
20 development of generation unit addition alternatives, optimal generation
21 expansion modeling, production cost modeling, economic and financial
22 evaluations, feasibility studies, pro forma analysis, and power market studies.

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24 **Q Please state your professional experience and educational background.**

25 A I received a Bachelors of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering from the

1 University of Missouri – Columbia. I have taken and passed the FE exam and I
2 am an Associate Member of American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

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4 I have been employed by Black & Veatch since 1996 as a System Planning
5 Consultant in the Power Sector Advisory Services area. Since then I have
6 provided planning services for several projects including many projects in
7 Florida. I have provided system planning consulting services for the following
8 Florida utilities: City of Lakeland – Department of Electric Utilities (Lakeland),
9 Kissimmee Utility Authority (KUA), Florida Municipal Power Agency (FMPA),
10 Orlando Utilities Commission (OUC), and Jacksonville Electric Authority (JEA).
11 In 1998 I assisted several utilities in Florida to prepare their 1998 Ten-Year Site
12 Plans including Lakeland, KUA, JEA, and OUC. Also in 1998, I have provided
13 consulting services for KUA and FMPA for their recent Cane Island Unit 3 Need
14 for Power Application.

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16 I have extensive experience with providing consulting services using production
17 cost and optimal generation expansion programs including POWRPRO,
18 POWROPT, EGEAS and PROSYM. I have used these programs in providing
19 services to the following firms:

- 20 ▪ Kissimmee Utility Authority
- 21 ▪ Florida Municipal Power Agency
- 22 ▪ Jacksonville Electric Authority
- 23 ▪ City of Lakeland – Department of Electric Utilities
- 24 ▪ Texaco
- 25 ▪ Western Farmers Cooperative

- 1 ▪ Empire Electric District
- 2 ▪ City of Sterling, Kansas
- 3 ▪ Atlantic City, Iowa
- 4 ▪ Puerto Rico Power Authority
- 5 ▪ Wyoming Public Service Commission

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7 **Q What is the purpose of your testimony in this proceeding?**

8 **A**The primary purpose of my testimony is to address Lakeland's reliability and
9 economic need for power as it relates to McIntosh Unit 5 and the proposed
10 conversion to combined cycle. In my discussion of Lakeland's need for McIntosh
11 Unit 5 and its proposed conversion to combined cycle, I will discuss the reliability
12 requirements for the Lakeland system, summarize the methodology applied in the
13 economic evaluations conducted to determine the least-cost generation alternative
14 for Lakeland, demonstrate that the proposed conversion to combined cycle is the
15 most cost-effective alternative available, discuss the sensitivity analyses
16 conducted, and summarize the impacts of delaying the conversion of McIntosh
17 Unit 5.

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19 **Q Were there Sections of the McIntosh Unit 5 Need for Power Application**
20 **prepared by you or under your direct supervision?**

21 **A**Yes, the Table of Contents, Sections 8.3, 9.0, 10.3, 12.0, 13.0, 14.0, 15.0, and
22 18.2.

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24 **Q Are you adopting these Sections as part of your testimony?**

25 **A**Yes, I am.

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2 **Q Are there any corrections to these Sections?**

3 A Yes. Attached as Exhibit DJR-1 are minor corrections to these sections.

4

5 **Q Did you evaluate the reliability need for the conversion of McIntosh Unit 5 to**
6 **combined cycle?**

7 A Yes. I explored three different methods of determining Lakeland's reliability
8 need for the conversion of McIntosh Unit 5 to combined cycle. Those three
9 methods include traditional reserve margin, loss of load probability, and
10 probabilistic reserve margin.

11

12 **Q Please discuss the traditional reserve margin approach.**

13 A Lakeland uses a 15 percent minimum reserve margin. The 15 percent minimum
14 reserve margin has been adopted by the Florida Reliability Coordinating Council
15 (FRCC). The minimum 15 percent reserve margin is also required in 25-6.035(1)
16 Fla. Admin. Code for the purposes of sharing responsibility for grid reliability.
17 Furthermore, the 15 percent reserve margin is also used by many other utilities
18 both within and outside of Florida and appears reasonable for capacity planning
19 purposes. Under a 15 percent minimum reserve margin criterion, Lakeland needs
20 to add capacity for the 2001/02 winter season.

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22 **Q Please discuss the loss of load probability approach.**

23 A Loss of load probability (LOLP) approach is often used for large systems such as
24 FRCC. For smaller heavily interconnected systems such as Lakeland's, it is less
25 appropriate. In order to maintain the typical standard of 0.1 days LOLP per year

1 on an isolated system basis, a very large level of reserve capacity would be
2 required. If, however, support from interconnections are considered for a heavily
3 interconnected system such as Lakeland's, a very low level of reserves would be
4 required to maintain the 0.1 days LOLP per year. For these reasons, LOLP was
5 not used to evaluate Lakeland's need for capacity.

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7 **Q Please discuss the probabilistic reserve margin approach.**

8 **A** The probabilistic reserve margin approach is based on a methodology presented
9 by the Public Service Commission staff during the 1998 Ten Year Site Plan
10 Workshop. The methodology evaluates the uncertainty of several factors related
11 to the utility's ability to serve load. Factors considered include forecasted
12 generation, peak demand, import energy, interruptible load, and load
13 management. Applying the probabilistic reserve margin approach to Lakeland
14 results in a projected weighted average reserve margin of 6.5 percent for 2002
15 compared to the 14.1 percent reserve margin before the installation of the
16 conversion of McIntosh Unit 5 to combined cycle. The weighted average 6.5
17 percent inherently includes the probabilistic effect of many of the uncertainties
18 that the 15 percent reserve margin criteria is designed to cover. A standard for the
19 minimum reserve margin for the probabilistic approach has not been developed.
20 In any event, nothing in the probabilistic reserve margin approach indicated that
21 Lakeland does not have a need for additional capacity in 2002 and in fact appears
22 to indicate an even greater need than indicated by the 15 percent reserve margin
23 criteria.

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25 **Q Please describe the evaluation process by which Lakeland determined that**

1 **the proposed conversion of McIntosh 5 is the best method of meeting**
2 **Lakeland's future need for reliable power.**

3 A Lakeland has conducted an exhaustive analysis of alternative methods of meeting
4 Lakeland's future capacity and energy requirements in a reliable, least-cost, and
5 environmentally responsible fashion. Lakeland's analysis considered a multitude
6 of factors including:

- 7 • Alternative generation technologies and sizes
- 8 • Compliance with environmental regulations
- 9 • Purchase power alternatives
- 10 • Conservation and demand-side management alternatives
- 11 • Reliability considerations
- 12 • Uncertainty and sensitivity analysis

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14 With the numerous supply-side alternatives considered, a screening analysis was
15 required to reduce the number of alternatives that would be modeled in detail. A
16 two-phase screening analysis was conducted for the supply-side alternatives. The
17 first phase of the screening analysis eliminated alternatives that were still under
18 commercial development and were not technically feasible with Lakeland's
19 natural resources. The alternatives that passed the first phase of the screening
20 analysis were evaluated on a busbar analysis. The busbar analysis considers the
21 capital costs, fixed operating costs, variable O&M costs, and fuel costs for each
22 alternative. Figures 12-1 and 12-2 of the Need for Power Application provide the
23 screening curves for the alternatives.

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25 After the screening curves were generated, the alternatives that possessed

1 potential as expansion candidates were modeled in POWROPT. POWROPT is an
2 optimal generation expansion program developed by Black & Veatch that
3 analyzes all potential combinations of feasible expansion plans based upon
4 specified expansion candidates. POWROPT output indicates the top expansion
5 plans based upon the cumulative present worth revenue requirements for a
6 specified period. The cumulative present worth revenue requirements include
7 system fuel costs, fixed and variable O&M costs for new unit additions, and
8 capital costs for new unit additions.

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10 Based upon the POWROPT output, the optimal expansion plans are modeled in
11 the POWRPRO chronological production cost model. Black & Veatch also
12 developed POWRPRO. POWRPRO provides the detailed production cost
13 information based upon the units modeled for each run. POWROPT and
14 POWRPRO use the same unit commitment and dispatch algorithms thus ensuring
15 consistency.

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17 The optimal expansion plan identified from the supply-side evaluation was
18 applied against the demand-side alternatives to determine if cost-effective
19 demand-side management (DSM) alternatives existed that would delay or
20 mitigate the need.

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22 After it was determined that no new DSM programs were cost-effective, and thus
23 would not delay or mitigate the need for power, each of the purchase power
24 alternatives from the Invitation for Proposals (IFP) were modeled against the self-
25 build expansion plan. This was conducted using POWROPT and POWRPRO.

1 The proposals were then compared against the self-build alternative on the basis
2 of a cumulative present worth revenue requirements.

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4 Several sensitivity cases were analyzed compared to the base case to test the
5 robustness of the expansion plan. The sensitivity analyses conducted included the
6 following:

- 7 • High and low load growth
- 8 • High and low fuel price projections
- 9 • Constant differential between coal prices and all other fuels maintained over
10 the planning horizon
- 11 • High and low discount rate
- 12 • 20 percent minimum reserve margin case
- 13 • 501F 1x1 combined cycle is installed in 2002 versus the conversion of
14 McIntosh Unit 5 to combined cycle
- 15 • 501F simple cycle combustion turbine is installed in 2002 versus the
16 conversion of McIntosh 5 to combined cycle.

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18 Lakeland also evaluated the benefits the Florida Municipal Power Pool (FMPP)
19 will receive from McIntosh Unit 5 and the proposed conversion to combined
20 cycle.

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22 **Q Has Lakeland adequately explored alternative generating technologies?**

23 **A** Yes, Lakeland reviewed and evaluated numerous generating technologies,
24 including both unconventional and conventional alternatives.

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1 Several conventional supply-side alternatives were considered for Lakeland's
2 expansion planning based upon screening analysis. The size of the alternatives
3 selected considered the need for capacity and the suitability of the Lakeland site
4 for the installation of the alternatives. Conventional alternatives considered for
5 capacity expansion include:

- 6 ▪ Pulverized Coal Unit
- 7 ▪ Atmospheric Fluidized Bed Unit
- 8 ▪ Pressurized Circulating Fluidized Bed Unit
- 9 ▪ Combined Cycles
- 10 ▪ Simple Cycle Combustion Turbines

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12 Capital cost, performance, and O&M cost estimates were compiled for each
13 capacity addition alternative. Details of the conventional alternatives are
14 provided in Subsection 11.6 of the Need for Power Application.

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16 **Q Please describe the results of the analysis undertaken to evaluate the cost**
17 **effectiveness of potential DSM programs.**

18 **A** A total of 66 different potential DSM programs, which were identified by
19 Synergic Resources Corporation in the study of Electricity Conservation and
20 Energy Efficiency in Florida, were evaluated to assess their cost-effectiveness. It
21 was concluded that none of the programs evaluated represent a cost-effective
22 alternative to the conversion of McIntosh 5 to a combined cycle unit. This
23 analysis was conducted using the Florida Integrated Resource Evaluator (FIRE)
24 model.

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1 **Q What was the process by which potential DSM programs were evaluated?**

2 A The process used to evaluate the cost-effectiveness of DSM programs conforms
3 to that required in Rule 25-17.008, Fla. Admin. Code. Specifically, the
4 procedures used are those set forth in the Florida Public Service Commission
5 Cost-effectiveness Manual for Demand Side Management Programs and Self
6 Service Wheeling Proposals. The Florida Integrated Resource Evaluator (FIRE)
7 spreadsheet, originally developed by Florida Power Corporation was used to
8 assess the potential effectiveness of DSM programs.

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10 Using the procedures specified in Rule 25-17.008 Fla. Admin. Code, FIRE
11 provides a systematic framework for identifying the benefits and costs associated
12 with specific DSM programs. Avoided utility costs are economically evaluated
13 against DSM costs and load impacts to assess the effectiveness of the program
14 over its useful life. Three DSM program cost / benefits tests are produced by the
15 FIRE model and are used in considering DSM cost-effectiveness. These tests are
16 the Rate Impact Test (RIM), the Total Resource Cost Test (TRC) and the
17 Participants Test. The results of the three cost-effectiveness tests for the DSM
18 programs evaluated are shown in Table 13-7 of the Need for Power Application.

19
20 **Q Please describe the three DSM tests used to evaluate DSM programs.**

21 A All the DSM cost effectiveness tests are based on the comparison of discounted
22 present worth benefits to costs for a specific DSM program. Each test is designed
23 to measure costs and benefits from a different perspective.

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25 The Rate Impact Test is a measure of the expected impact on customer rates

1 resulting from a DSM program. The test statistic is the ratio of the utility's
2 benefits (avoided supply costs and increased revenues) compared to the utility's
3 costs (program costs, incentives paid, increased supply costs and revenue losses).
4 A value of less than one indicates an upward pressure on rate levels as a result of
5 the DSM program.

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7 The Total Resources Cost Test measures the benefit / cost ratio by comparing the
8 total program benefits (both the participant's and utility's) to the total program
9 costs (equipment costs, supply costs, participant costs).

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11 The Participants Test measures the impact of the DSM program on the
12 participating customer. Benefits to the participant may include bill reductions,
13 incentives paid, and tax credits. Participants' costs may include equipment costs,
14 operation and maintenance expenses, equipment removal, etc.

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16 **Q Which cost-effectiveness test was utilized by Lakeland in evaluating DSM**
17 **programs?**

18 **A** All three cost-effectiveness tests were calculated for each DSM programs
19 analyzed and considered in our evaluation. As a practical manner, cost-
20 effectiveness based upon the rate impact test plays a critical role in assessing the
21 practicality of implementing any DSM program. Based on this criteria, no DSM
22 programs that were evaluated were considered to be cost effective

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24 **Q Has Lakeland demonstrated that its proposed conversion of McIntosh 5 to a**
25 **combined cycle unit is the most cost effective alternative?**

1 A Yes, Lakeland has conducted detailed analysis to determine the least-cost supply
2 plan to meet the growing needs of its customers. Lakeland has evaluated the
3 proposed conversion to combined cycle against 10 self-build alternatives, 66
4 DSM alternatives, and the 13 proposals submitted in the Invitation for Proposal
5 (IFP) process. The proposed conversion to combined cycle is the least-cost
6 alternative compared to all options.

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8 McIntosh Unit 5 will utilize the most efficient combustion turbine technology
9 currently available. The high efficiency of McIntosh 5 will ensure that the project
10 will remain a competitive resource when deregulation occurs in Florida. Once
11 McIntosh Unit 5 is converted to a combined cycle, McIntosh Unit 5 will be the
12 most efficient power generating unit in the state and will operate at base load.
13 The conversion to combine cycle allows Lakeland to generate electricity without
14 burning additional fuel. This provides a resource addition that has very low
15 operating costs and produces electricity for Lakeland customers and Peninsular
16 Florida at low costs. The unit will also provide electricity to customers with low
17 emissions. With the conversion to combined cycle, the unit will actually produce
18 less emissions per kWh because the unit will utilize the waste heat from the
19 combustion turbine.

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21 For the two cases in which a combined cycle unit and a simple cycle unit are
22 installed in 2002 instead of the conversion of McIntosh Unit 5 to combined cycle,
23 cumulative present worth revenue requirements increased \$27.2 million and \$71.9
24 million respectively.

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1 Q Are there any adverse consequences to Lakeland customers if the proposed
2 conversion of McIntosh 5 to combined cycle unit is not completed in the time
3 frame requested?

4 A Yes, Lakeland's reserve margin is projected to fall below the 15 percent minimum
5 reserve margin in 2002 if Lakeland's request is not granted. This could lead to
6 potential outages and system failures for Lakeland and Peninsular Florida. The
7 customers will suffer adverse consequences with the possibility of inadequate
8 power supply and potentially very high cost electricity. With the low reserve
9 margins projected for the state in 2002, the potential for insufficient power
10 supplies may exist. There is also a potential for severe economic consequences if
11 the project is delayed or denied. If the project is delayed by even one year it is
12 projected to cost Lakeland \$9.35 million dollars on a cumulative present worth
13 basis.

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15 Q Does this conclude your prefiled testimony?

16 A Yes.
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1 power plant financing.

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3 **Q Please state your professional experience and educational background.**

4 A. I received a Bachelors of Science degree in Electrical Engineering from the
5 University of Missouri – Columbia. I also have two years of graduate study in
6 nuclear engineering at the University of Missouri – Columbia. I am a licensed
7 professional engineer and a Senior Member of the Institute of Electrical and
8 Electronic Engineers.

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10 I have been employed by Black & Veatch since 1976 in the Power Sector
11 Advisory Services area. In the last ten years, I have been the project manager for
12 over 100 projects. I have conducted a majority of my work for Florida utilities.
13 Florida utilities for which I have worked include City of Lakeland-Department of
14 Electric Utilities, Kissimmee Utility Authority, Florida Municipal Power Agency,
15 Orlando Utilities Commission, Jacksonville Electric Authority, City of St. Cloud,
16 Utilities Commission of New Smyrna Beach, Sebring Utilities Commission, City
17 of Homestead, Florida Power Corporation, and Seminole Electric Cooperative.

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19 I attempt to stay abreast of Florida Public Service Commission (PSC)
20 proceedings. For instance, I was the Project Manager for projects that prepared
21 1998 Ten Year Site Plans for Kissimmee Utility Authority, City of Lakeland,
22 Orlando Utilities Commission, and Jacksonville Electric Authority. I have
23 previously presented testimony before the PSC for the Stanton 1 & 2 and AES-
24 Cedar Bay need for power certification and had my testimony stipulated for
25 Kissimmee Utility Authority and Florida Municipal Power Agency's Cane Island

1 Unit 3 need for power certification. I have also participated in the preparation of
2 testimony for the Seminole Electric's Hardee County Combined Cycle Project,
3 the Cypress Project, and the Hines Energy Center Project need for power
4 certification.

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6 **Q What is the purpose of your testimony in this proceeding?**

7 A The purpose of my testimony is to address Lakeland's need for power as it relates
8 to McIntosh Unit 5 and the proposed conversion to combined cycle. In my
9 testimony, I will discuss the methodology used to evaluate the need for McIntosh
10 Unit 5 and its proposed conversion to combined cycle. I will also discuss
11 economic assumptions used in the evaluations as well as the fuel price projections
12 used. In my discussion of Lakeland's need for McIntosh Unit 5, and its
13 conversion to combined cycle, I will discuss potential supply side alternatives to
14 the project and the consistency of the project with Peninsular Florida's needs. I
15 will show that Lakeland has adequately explored alternative generating
16 technologies and the project will provide adequate electricity at a reasonable cost
17 and will contribute to the electric system reliability and integrity of Lakeland and
18 Peninsular Florida.

19

20 **Q Were there Sections of the Lakeland McIntosh Unit 5 Need for Power**
21 **Application prepared by you or under your direct supervision?**

22 A Yes, Sections 4.0, 5.0, 6.0, 11.0 and 16.0.

23

24 **Q Are you adopting these Sections as part of your testimony?**

25 A Yes, I am.

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2 **Q Are there any corrections to these Sections?**

3 A Yes. Attached as Exhibit MRR-1 are corrections to my adopted sections of the
4 Need for Power Application. The corrections are minor typographical errors
5 except that the forecasted price of coal has changed on Table 6-5: Low Fuel Price
6 Forecast Summary. The revised low fuel price case coal prices decreased due to
7 a spreadsheet error. The decreased coal prices do not affect any of the other
8 numbers in the Need for Power Application since the optimal expansion program
9 did not select any coal fueled alternatives other than McIntosh Unit 4 whose fuel
10 price was calculated from another spreadsheet since it burns high sulfur coal for
11 the first four years and petroleum coke thereafter.

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13 **Q Please describe the methodology used to determine the need for McIntosh**
14 **Unit 5 and its conversion to combined cycle.**

15 A There are two basic aspects of the need for McIntosh Unit 5 and its conversion to
16 combined cycle that are addressed by the methodology. The first is the reliability
17 need that involves comparing the load forecast plus reserve margin requirements
18 to available capacity to determine the need for new capacity additions. Mr.
19 Lawrence has testified to the load forecast including the effects of existing
20 conservation programs and reductions in peak demand from load management
21 and interruptible loads. Mr. Runyan has testified that there are no additional
22 demand-side management programs that are cost effective that would reduce
23 loads. Mr. Elwing has testified to the 15 percent reserve margin criteria Lakeland
24 uses which is applied to the peak demand forecast to obtain capacity
25 requirements. Mr. Elwing has also testified to Lakeland's existing units, planned

1 unit retirements, and power sales contracts which determine Lakeland's available
2 capacity. The available capacity has been compared to the capacity requirements
3 by Mr. Runyan to determine the need for additional capacity.
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5 The second aspect of the need for McIntosh Unit 5 and its conversion to
6 combined cycle that is addressed by the methodology is the economic need. The
7 methodology for determining the economic need is the determination that
8 McIntosh Unit 5 and its conversion to combined cycle is the least-cost alternative
9 available. Lakeland conducted an Invitation for Proposals (IFP) as described by
10 Mr. Sanz-Guerrero to obtain purchase power bids. Lakeland also developed
11 several self-build alternatives in addition to the conversion of McIntosh Unit 5 to
12 combined cycle as I will discuss later in my testimony. These alternatives were
13 modeled with Black and Veatch's POWROPT Optimal Generation Expansion
14 Program to select the least cost expansion plans. Mr. Runyan's testimony
15 described these evaluations. The evaluations based on cumulative present worth
16 revenue costs were conducted over a typical 20 year planning horizon from 1999
17 through 2018. The cumulative present worth revenue costs include fuel costs for
18 all units, fixed and variable O&M costs for new units, and capital costs for new
19 units. In addition to the base case evaluations, the methodology used numerous
20 sensitivity analyses as described by Mr. Runyan to ensure that McIntosh Unit 5
21 and its conversion to combined cycle was the least cost alternative under a wide
22 variety of assumptions and conditions.
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24 **Q What economic parameters were assumed?**

25 **A** A consistent set of economic parameters were assumed for the evaluations. A

1 general inflation rate of 2.5 percent was used. The general inflation rate was
2 selected as being generally representative of future inflation rates assuming a
3 continuation of current economic conditions. An escalation rate of 2.0 percent
4 was used for capital costs and 3.0 percent for O&M costs. The escalation rate for
5 capital costs was selected based on the general perception that power plant capital
6 cost increases will not quite keep pace with general inflation. This may be
7 especially true with escalation rates applied to current combustion turbine based
8 power plant costs which have increased significantly recently due primarily to
9 increases in the cost of combustion turbines. Likewise, the escalation rate for
10 O&M was perceived to increase slightly faster than general inflation due
11 primarily to increases in labor costs. Lakeland's long-term bond interest rate is
12 assumed to be 5.5 percent and the same interest rate was assumed for interest
13 during construction. These were both selected to be consistent with a 2.5 percent
14 general inflation rate. A 10 percent present worth discount rate was used. The 10
15 percent present worth discount rate is somewhat higher than the bond interest rate
16 which is often used as a present worth discount rate in municipal utility economic
17 evaluations. The 10 percent present worth discount rate was selected to provide
18 additional conservatism in the evaluations. Use of a higher discount rate guards
19 against high capital expenditures being made to reduce operating costs in the
20 future when uncertainty of future conditions might negate those future operating
21 cost savings. Sensitivity analyses were conducted with the 5.5 percent present
22 worth discount rate as well as a 15 percent discount rate which might better
23 represent the rate payer's own discount rate. A fixed charge rate of 8.41 percent
24 was developed based on the 5.5 percent bond interest rate and applied to the
25 capital cost for new unit additions in the evaluations.

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2 **Q Why was a fixed charge rate used in the evaluations when Lakeland plans to**
3 **pay cash for the conversion of McIntosh Unit 5 to combined cycle?**

4 A A fixed charge rate was applied to all alternatives evaluated in order to have a fair
5 and consistent evaluation between all alternatives even though Lakeland plans to
6 pay cash for the conversion of McIntosh Unit 5 to combined cycle.

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8 **Q What fuel forecasts were developed for the Need for Power Application?**

9 A Forecasts were developed for the delivered price of coal, high and low sulfur No.
10 6 oil, diesel fuel, natural gas, petroleum coke, and refuse derived fuels. The coal
11 price projection is based on the coal currently being burned in McIntosh Unit 3.
12 The fuel forecast used in the evaluations is based on the real fuel price projections
13 contained in Appendix 21.2 and sponsored by Mr. Sanz-Guerrero. The general
14 inflation rate of 2.5 percent is added to make the fuel prices consistent with the
15 economic assumptions in the evaluations. The base case fuel price projection in
16 Appendix 21.2 is the same as presented in Lakeland's 1998 Ten Year Site Plan.
17 High and low band fuel price projections were developed by adding an additional
18 2.5 percent annually to the base case forecast for the high band and subtracting
19 2.5 percent annually from the base case forecast for the low band. The plus and
20 minus 2.5 percent band represents an even wider band than the 1.5 percent band
21 used in Lakeland's 1998 Ten Year Site Plan to further ensure that the selection of
22 the conversion of McIntosh Unit 5 to combined cycle as the least cost alternative
23 is a very robust decision.

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25 **Q Has Lakeland compared their fuel cost projections with other fuel price**

forecasts?

A Lakeland conducted a thorough review of industry price forecasts. The intent of the review was to ensure Lakeland's view of future prices of fuel is similar to industry recognized forecasts. When compared with forecasts such as American Gas Association (AGA), Gas Research Institute (GRI), Annual Energy Outlook (AEO) published by the US Department of Energy, and the DRI forecast contained in the Cane Island Unit 3 Need for Power Application, Lakeland's forecast is similar to the industry recognized forecasts. Below is the fuel price review for Lakeland's delivered fuel price projections as compared against industry fuel price forecasts for coal, oil, and natural gas. The industry forecasts are for average prices for the nation. Coal costs for Florida are much higher than the nation as a whole due to general lack of ability to use low cost western coal in Florida and higher transportation costs associated with moving coal to Florida.

<u>Forecast</u>	<u>2000 Price ⁽¹⁾</u>			<u>2015 Price ⁽¹⁾</u>		
	<u>Gas</u>	<u>Oil</u>	<u>Coal</u>	<u>Gas</u>	<u>Oil</u>	<u>Coal</u>
1997 Lakeland	2.32	3.14	1.78	2.94	4.13	2.10
1998 AGA	2.25	2.74	NA	2.35	3.72	1.05
1998 GRI	2.24	2.71	NA	2.40	2.71	1.15
1998 AEO	2.54	3.03	1.20	3.04	3.41	1.03
1998 KUA/FMPA/DRI	2.06	2.55	1.62	2.51	3.50	1.54

(1) Forecast Prices are in 1997 dollars (real basis) \$/MBtu.

Q How were the delivered natural gas prices developed?

A The delivered natural gas prices were developed by adding a transportation charge

1 of \$0.65/MBTU to the natural gas commodity fuel price.
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3 **Q How was the \$0.65 MBTU transportation price developed?**

4 A The \$0.65/MBTU transportation price is Lakeland's estimate of their future
5 average price for natural gas transportation. It takes into consideration a number
6 of factors including Lakeland's existing FTS-1 and FTS-2 entitlements and
7 pricing, Phase IV capacity and pricing, relinquishment and acquisition of
8 permanent capacity, and sale and purchase of interruptible capacity.
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10 **Q Are the fuel price projections developed reasonable for use in evaluating
11 different generating unit alternatives?**

12 A Yes. The fuel price projections are consistent with current fuel prices for existing
13 units at Lakeland and are reasonable to use to evaluate different generating unit
14 alternatives.
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16 **Q Does Lakeland have adequate FTS-1 and FTS-2 natural gas transportation
17 to operate McIntosh Unit 5?**

18 A Lakeland has significant amounts of FTS-1 and FTS-2 natural gas transportation
19 which can be used for McIntosh Unit 5. Lakeland's FTS-1 and FTS-2 maximum
20 daily quantities (MDQ) are shown below.

21 Maximum Daily Quantity (Mcf/Day)

	<u>Oct.</u>	<u>Nov.</u>	<u>Dec.-Feb.</u>	<u>Mar.</u>	<u>Apr.</u>	<u>May.-Sept.</u>
22 FTS-1	17,952	17,724	11,485	3,261	7,672	8,306
23 FTS-2	<u>20,948</u>	<u>13,444</u>	<u>13,444</u>	<u>20,944</u>	<u>22,636</u>	<u>20,223</u>
24	38,900	31,168	24,929	24,205	30,308	28,529

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Q Describe FGT's Phase IV expansion plans.

A On August 15, 1997 FGT initiated an "open season" for a proposed expansion of mainline transmission capability to serve new and existing markets. Open season refers to the industry practice of conducting a survey of future market demands for transport of natural gas prior to the design and construction of new line construction or expansion projects on existing pipeline systems. The survey is employed to evaluate regional demand for transportation capacity by requesting that potential shippers submit non-binding expressions of interest or requests for new, additional (incremental), or relinquishment of firm transmission service. This process allows FGT to estimate the extent of pipeline capacity expansion volumes needed and to determine the overall economic feasibility of a system expansion. The open season is conducted under defined ground rules to assure the integrity of the shipper's submissions and the non-discriminatory analysis of the response.

Q When will FGT's Phase IV expansion be implemented?

A This initiative was structured to gauge the potential demand for the prospective FGT Phase IV expansion project with an estimated in-service date of mid-year 2001. FGT filed for Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) approvals of the Phase IV expansion program December 2, 1998. The filing consists of expanding services to Southwest Florida with 205 miles of underground pipelines. Additionally FGT proposes to add 48,570 horsepower of compression to its system. FGT anticipates construction of this project will begin in March of 2000, and is scheduled for completion and placement into service by May 2001.

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2 **Q What incremental transportation charges will Lakeland likely incur as a**
3 **result of FGT's Phase IV expansion expenditures?**

4 A The proposed additions will add 272,000 MBtu per day of incremental firm
5 transportation service to Peninsular Florida. The estimated cost of the expansion
6 is \$350 million. The Phase IV expansion of the FGT system should be capable of
7 implementation at a relatively low incremental cost impact to existing and
8 prospective customers. Transportation charges for incremental gas service should
9 be less than FTS-2 rates.

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11 **Q Did Lakeland nominate Phase IV gas?**

12 A No, not directly. Lakeland is currently negotiating with third parties that have
13 nominated Phase IV gas. Lakeland's negotiations are for both commodity and
14 transportation.

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16 **Q Once implemented, will FGT's Phase IV expansion provide the necessary**
17 **transportation capacity to support McIntosh Unit 5 and the proposed**
18 **conversion to combine cycle?**

19 A Yes. The natural gas supply at the delivery point to the McIntosh site will be fully
20 adequate in terms of quantity and delivery pressure to support the facility. The
21 ten mile 16 inch pipeline that Lakeland owns from the St. Petersburg lateral to the
22 McIntosh site is capable of delivering enough natural gas for approximately 800
23 MW of generating capacity.

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25 **Q Has Lakeland adequately provided for natural gas transportation for**

1 **McIntosh Unit 5 to provide adequate and reliable electricity at a reasonable**
2 **cost?**

3 A Yes. Lakeland has significant amounts of natural gas transportation already under
4 contract and is negotiating with third parties for additional transportation. The
5 installation of Phase IV will ensure adequate natural gas transportation is
6 available. In addition, McIntosh Unit 5 will have No. 2 oil as backup, which will
7 ensure reliability and provide opportunities for further savings on natural gas
8 transportation costs.

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10 **Q Please describe the generating unit alternatives that were developed as**
11 **alternatives to the conversion of McIntosh Unit 5.**

12 A Cost and performance estimates were developed for conventional, advanced,
13 nuclear, energy storage systems, and renewable and waste energy resources as
14 potential capacity addition alternatives. Although many of the technologies are
15 not viable at this time, cost and performance data were developed in as much
16 detail as possible to provide the most accurate resource planning evaluation.

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18 Conventional alternatives were found to be the most technically viable and cost
19 effective through a two-phase screening analysis developed on Section 12.0 of the
20 Need for Power Application. The conventional generating unit alternatives
21 developed included:

- 22 • Pulverized coal
- 23 • Atmospheric fluidized bed
- 24 • Pressurized circulating fluidized bed
- 25 • Combined cycle

- Simple cycle combustion turbine

Capital cost, performance and O&M cost estimates have been compiled for each capacity addition alternative. The estimates provide representative values for each generation alternative.

A 250 MW pulverized coal unit with dry scrubber, electrostatic precipitator and selective catalytic reduction (SCR) was selected as a solid fueled alternative. The unit is assumed to be located at the existing McIntosh site with rail delivered coal and mechanical draft tower cooling.

Another solid fueled alternative is a 250 MW atmospheric circulating fluidized bed unit (AFB) with selective non-catalytic reduction (SNCR). The unit is assumed to be located at the existing McIntosh site with rail delivered coal and mechanical draft tower cooling.

Lakeland is pursuing a project utilizing the pressurized circulating fluidized bed technology. The flexibility, low cost, and efficiency of this technology will provide low cost generation for many years. The pressurized circulating fluidized bed is essentially a combined cycle burning solid fuel. The pressurized circulating fluidized bed will operate on coal the first four years of operation under a Department of Energy (DOE) contract. Following the first four years of operation, the unit is assumed to burn petroleum coke. Negotiations between Lakeland and the technology providers are progressing at this time of filing.

1 The combined cycle units all utilize conventional, heavy duty, industrial type,
2 combustion turbines. The combined cycles will be dual fueled with natural gas as
3 the primary fuel and fuel oil as the secondary fuel. The units are assumed to be
4 located at the McIntosh site with dry low NO_x combustors for emissions control.
5 As described in Section 11.6.6, the combined cycle units modeled in this Need for
6 Power Application include:

- 7 • 1 x 1 General Electric 7EA
- 8 • 2 x 1 General Electric 7EA
- 9 • 1 x 1 Westinghouse 501F
- 10 • 1 x 1 Westinghouse 501G

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12 The simple cycle combustion turbines will be dual fueled with natural gas as the
13 primary fuel and low sulfur No. 2 fuel oil as the secondary fuel. The units are
14 assumed to be located at the McIntosh site with dry low NO_x combustors for
15 emissions control. Combustion turbine alternatives were based on the size and
16 performance of specific machines. There are a number of combustion turbines
17 available from different manufacturers with similar sizes and performance
18 characteristics. As described in Section 11.6.7, the simple cycle combustion
19 turbines modeled in this Need for Power Application include:

- 20 • General Electric LM 6000
- 21 • General Electric 7EA
- 22 • Westinghouse 501F

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24 **Q Is the proposed project consistent with Peninsular Florida's needs?**

25 **A** Yes, the Florida Reliability Coordinating Council (FRCC) has selected a

1 minimum 15 percent reserve margin criterion to ensure reliability for Peninsular
2 Florida. Based on information provided in the FRCC's 1998 Ten Year Plan for
3 the State of Florida, the available capacity meets the 15 percent reserve margin
4 requirements in 2002. This 15 percent reserve margin is met by fully exercising
5 all load management and interruptible loads. If all of these loads were served at
6 the time of peak demand without the implementation of load management and
7 interruptible load, Peninsular Florida would only have 6 percent reserve margin in
8 2002. The available capacity consists of existing capacity, capacity which has
9 been certified under the Florida Electrical Power Plant Siting Act, and proposed
10 capacity changes not requiring certification under the Florida Electrical Power
11 Plant Siting Act. McIntosh Unit 5 will provide capacity to contribute to
12 maintaining the 15 percent reserve margin as well as provide generating capacity
13 in lieu of the load management and interruptible capacity being used to meet the
14 15 percent reserve margin.

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16 **Q Does this conclude your prefiled testimony?**

17 **A Yes.**

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2 BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

3 CITY OF LAKELAND

4 TESTIMONY OF DAVID H. MCLAIN

5 DOCKET NO. 990023-EM

6 FEBRUARY 3, 1999
78 **Q Please state your name and address.**9 A My name is David H. McLain. My business address is 501 East Lemon Street;
10 Lakeland, Florida 33801.
1112 **Q By whom are you employed and in what capacity.**13 A I am employed by the City of Lakeland - Department of Electric Utilities as
14 Manager of Business Operations.
1516 **Q Please describe your responsibilities in that position.**17 A As Manager of Business Operations, I am responsible for external reporting for
18 the utility, utility budget preparation, long-range budget forecasting, financing of
19 projects, liaison with bond underwriters and financial advisors and other finance
20 related functions.
2122 **Q Please state your professional experience and educational background.**23 A I received a Bachelors of Science Degree in Accounting from Arkansas State
24 University and a Masters in Accounting from Memphis State University. I have
25 been employed by the City of Lakeland - Department of Electric Utilities for ten

1 years. During this period I have held the position of Finance Officer and my
2 current position of Manager of Business Operations. Prior to this time period I
3 was employed as an Audit Partner with Evans, Parish & Fisk for seven years and
4 employed as an auditor for Ernst & Whinney for seven years.

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6 In my current position I am responsible for budgeting, outside reporting and bond
7 issues. I also oversee the Rates and Information Services Divisions. My past
8 experience includes auditing clients in various industries including banking, real
9 estate development, retail & wholesale food, and the electric industry.

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11 **Q What is the purpose of your prefiled testimony in this proceeding?**

12 A The purpose of my prefiled testimony is to address the financial feasibility of the
13 City of Lakeland's McIntosh Unit 5 and proposed conversion to combined cycle.

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15 **Q Were there sections of the Lakeland McIntosh Unit 5 Need for Power
16 Application prepared by you or under your direct supervision?**

17 A Yes, Section 19.0.

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19 **Q Are you adopting this Section as part of your testimony?**

20 A Yes, I am.

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22 **Q Are there any corrections to these Subsections?**

23 A Yes. Attached as Exhibit DHM-1 is a minor correction to Section 19.0. The
24 Lakeland Bond Ordinances require a minimum coverage ratio of 1.30 (not 1.25).

1 **Q Does Lakeland have adequate access to funds to finance this project?**

2 A Yes. The City of Lakeland has a track record of strong financial performance and
3 plant operation. Lakeland Bond Ordinances require a minimum coverage ratio of
4 1.30 to ensure sound financial performance. Currently Lakeland has a 5.45 debt
5 coverage ratio for senior debt and a 2.53 debt coverage ratio for combined senior
6 and junior debt.

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8 **Q How will this Project be financed for the City of Lakeland?**

9 A Even though Lakeland could easily obtain financing for the construction of
10 McIntosh Unit 5 and the proposed conversion to combined cycle, Lakeland
11 currently intends to pay for the project primarily out of cash funds. Lakeland
12 does not intend to issue long-term debt for the project financing.

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14 **Q Why is the City of Lakeland using cash as a means for paying for McIntosh
15 Unit 5 and the proposed conversion to combined cycle?**

16 A To eliminate long-term financial responsibility and reduce indirect costs,
17 Lakeland intends to pay cash for the construction and engineering of McIntosh
18 Unit 5 and the proposed conversion to combined cycle.

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20 **Q What is the financial impact of paying with cash?**

21 A There are no potential adverse financial implications with using cash to pay for
22 the proposed conversion. Paying with cash eliminates Lakeland's long-term
23 financial responsibility, and decreases the financial burden on the Lakeland
24 ratepayers. The use of cash will result in savings of \$2,905,000 of interest during
25 construction costs alone assuming a 5.5 percent interest rate and an 18 month

1 construction schedule.

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3 **Q Despite using cash as the method of payment, why is the proposed conversion**
4 **modeled as if it were financed using debt.**

5 **A** As explained in Mr. Rollins testimony, the capital cost of the various alternatives
6 varied widely. Therefore, we believe that a more fair comparison between
7 alternatives would be to evaluate them with traditional tax exempt municipal
8 financing. Thus, for evaluation purposes, the alternatives were evaluated
9 assuming tax exempt financing.

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11 **Q Does this conclude your testimony?**

12 **A** Yes it does.

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1 **COMMISSIONER DEASON:** This matter was -- it
2 was indicated in the prehearing order that there was
3 the possibility of a bench decision, assuming
4 Commissioners were comfortable with that and Staff was
5 prepared to make a recommendation. Is Staff prepared
6 to make a recommendation?

7 **MR. KEATING:** Yes.

8 **COMMISSIONER DEASON:** Okay. Commissioners,
9 do you want to hear that recommendation now or do you
10 want to delay a decision on this matter?

11 **COMMISSIONER CLARK:** I'm ready to hear their
12 recommendation.

13 **COMMISSIONER DEASON:** Very well.

14 **COMMISSIONER CLARK:** Then I sort of can draw
15 a conclusion whether or not I would be comfortable
16 with approving it in a bench decision.

17 **COMMISSIONER DEASON:** Very well. You may
18 proceed with your recommendation.

19 **MS. HARLOW:** Based on Lakeland's petition,
20 prefiled testimony and the information provided
21 through the discovery process by Lakeland, Staff
22 recommends approval of Lakeland's request for a need
23 determination for the conversion of McIntosh Unit 5 to
24 combined cycle. Although there does not appear to be
25 a reliability need for a retail load in the year 2002,

1 the upgrade provides several benefits.

2 First of all, it provides Lakeland with the
3 least-cost alternative of meeting its air permit
4 requirements from EPA.

5 Second of all, it allows -- it adds to
6 Lakeland's and also to Peninsular Florida's
7 reliability.

8 And third, it allows Lakeland to retire
9 several less efficient units. Lakeland has signed a
10 10 year, 100-megawatt contract with FMPA to offset
11 some of the conversion costs.

12 So based on the above, Staff recommends
13 approval of the unit.

14 **COMMISSIONER DEASON:** Questions,
15 Commissioners?

16 **COMMISSIONER CLARK:** Yes. Does the signing
17 of the FMPA contract, in effect, allow them to move it
18 up a year? If they had not signed the contract, they
19 would have a need in 2003?

20 **MS. HARLOW:** Yes, ma'am. That's correct.
21 And it would be a 13-megawatt need in winter of 2003.

22 **COMMISSIONER CLARK:** Okay. And would this
23 be the most cost-effective alternative to meet that
24 need?

25 **MS. HARLOW:** The primary reason that we

1 believe that Lakeland needs to convert to combined
2 cycle is to meet their air permits need. We also --

3 **COMMISSIONER CLARK:** Is that the Clean Air
4 Act?

5 **MS. HARLOW:** Yes, ma'am.

6 **COMMISSIONER CLARK:** Tom is saying it's not.

7 **MR. BALLINGER:** I tried to stay quiet. When
8 Lakeland got the deal for the combustion turbine, the
9 original unit from GE, or Westinghouse I guess it was,
10 that combustion turbine is a new design which has a
11 little bit of steam injection. The DEP saw that as a
12 steam unit, quasi steam unit, and they were concerned
13 about the air emissions. So what they did is, since
14 Lakeland had such a deal with Westinghouse, they
15 allowed them to operate at certain NOX levels for a
16 period of three years, I think it is? 18 months until
17 the year 2002. At that time they needed to get their
18 NOX levels down to a specified level. The most
19 cost-effective way for Lakeland to do that is to
20 convert this unit to combined cycle and use proven
21 technology of SCR.

22 So the primary reason that Staff sees of
23 Lakeland doing this conversion is for environmental
24 reasons.

25 **COMMISSIONER CLARK:** Yeah, but is it the

1 Clean Air Act that requires them to do that?

2 **MR. BALLINGER:** That's probably where DEP
3 got its emission levels from.

4 **COMMISSIONER CLARK:** Yeah. As I understood
5 the testimony, it was the Clean Air Act because it is
6 a unit subject to the 1990 requirements; is that
7 right? Okay. So this is the least-cost alternative
8 of meeting their environmental need in 2002?

9 **MR. BALLINGER:** Yes.

10 **COMMISSIONER CLARK:** Okay. And it is going
11 to be backed up by fuel oil?

12 **MS. HARLOW:** Yes, ma'am.

13 **COMMISSIONER CLARK:** And is it normal for
14 gas-fired units that 50% of it -- only 50% of the fuel
15 is contracted for and the rest is bought on the spot
16 market? Is that normal? Are we comfortable with that
17 in terms of fuel reliability?

18 **MR. BREMAN:** Yes, ma'am. It's okay. It's a
19 competitive market out there and the utilities are
20 always moving and hedging between how much is firm and
21 how much is spot. It's still a management decision.

22 **COMMISSIONER CLARK:** Yeah, but we have --
23 we're comfortable with the notion of only 50% being
24 contracted for?

25 **MR. BREMAN:** Yes, ma'am.

1 **COMMISSIONER CLARK:** Okay. I have a
2 question as to how you are going to -- what the order
3 will include in terms of the evaluation. Will it
4 include the -- sort of a narrative of the evaluation
5 the company -- the City went through? Then it will be
6 an evaluation of the alternatives that we looked at
7 and evaluated? And then it will touch on each of the
8 issues in the Power Plant Siting Act? The four issues
9 essentially? It would cover that.

10 **MR. KEATING:** Right. What I would intend to
11 do is track pretty closely the language in the basic
12 position listed in the prehearing order, and those
13 positions on all of the issues. That basic position,
14 I think, covers what you just mentioned.

15 **COMMISSIONER CLARK:** Well, I thought -- my
16 concern was that it was fairly brief and concise. And
17 my concern is that later on when we have other Power
18 Plant Siting Act -- let me put it this way. Having
19 reviewed recently Power Plant Siting Act orders, it is
20 my concern that they be very complete as to the
21 evaluation that has been made and be explicit as to
22 each point that's required, because I am concerned
23 that some past orders have been representative as
24 being on a cost-effectiveness basis only, and when I
25 looked at them I didn't draw that conclusion. And I

1 want to make sure that this is a complete order that
2 describes the process of evaluation that we went
3 through.

4 For instance, let me just -- does this add
5 to fuel diversity? I mean, this is a gas-fired plant,
6 but it is going to be backed up by oil. Did we look
7 at that and evaluate it?

8 **MR. BALLINGER:** I think so, from Lakeland's
9 system. You look at -- when you look at fuel
10 diversity, it's kind of hard to get fuel diversity
11 within the state for one unit. It doesn't change the
12 mix a whole lot, but we did look at Lakeland's system.

13 **COMMISSIONER CLARK:** Well, I understand that
14 any individual unit doesn't change it a whole lot, but
15 it's the repetition over and over that change it, so
16 you have to look at each one. And what is your
17 conclusion? I guess my question would be, while we
18 are seeing a lot -- virtually every plant except, I
19 guess, you're going to build a coal fluidized bed
20 in --

21 **MR. YOUNG:** We would hope to. Yes, ma'am.

22 **COMMISSIONER CLARK:** That -- by the fact
23 that it has a backup of fuel oil that does allow --
24 contribute to diversity, whereas if you just did the
25 gas, it doesn't contribute to diversity given the fact

1 that every plant that we've looked at recently is
2 gas-fired. I think that would be important to put in
3 the order.

4 **MR. BALLINGER:** That's correct.

5 **MR. YOUNG:** Commissioner Clark, I think it
6 clearly creates diversity on Lakeland's system.

7 **COMMISSIONER CLARK:** Right.

8 **MR. YOUNG:** I can't speak to the statewide
9 system. I assume that Tom is correct; that it
10 wouldn't have much of an impact.

11 **COMMISSIONER CLARK:** You were still planning
12 to build that fluidized bed, right, with a grant from
13 DOE?

14 **MR. YOUNG:** We've got McIntosh 1, 2, 3 and
15 this one is 5. So we do have a 4, and we are
16 proposing -- we are looking at doing that and hope to
17 proceed with it down the road. That it would be
18 involving the federal government and because they
19 would be contributing to it, it would require an
20 environmental impact statement for use of fed funds
21 and that process takes a little bit longer than if we
22 weren't doing it that way. So --

23 **COMMISSIONER CLARK:** That still appears in
24 your Ten Year Site Plan, though, doesn't it?

25 **MR. YOUNG:** Yes, ma'am.

1 **COMMISSIONER CLARK:** I guess, let me ask.
2 You don't take issue with any of the evaluation they
3 did in-house to come up with the unit they did? I
4 guess it was 66 demand side, 13 buy and 10 self-build.

5 **MS. HARLOW:** Yes, ma'am. We reviewed the
6 data and we were comfortable with it.

7 **COMMISSIONER CLARK:** Okay. Is there any
8 testimony that they presented that you take issue
9 with?

10 **MS. HARLOW:** No, ma'am. Our primary concern
11 when we looked at it was the, more or less, a tone
12 issue, in that the petition spoke to retail
13 reliability need and we looked at the timing of the
14 signing of the contract. That was our primary
15 concern. And we looked at it as an environmental
16 need, frankly, in many cases, such that a conservation
17 program could not meet that need.

18 **COMMISSIONER CLARK:** Okay. All right. I
19 don't have any other questions. I would like to see
20 the order before it goes out, if I could.

21 **MR. KEATING:** Okay. And we will reflect the
22 fuel diversity.

23 **COMMISSIONER CLARK:** And I think it has to
24 sort of give a history of the evaluation that took
25 place, the fact that it was evaluated -- that we

1 evaluated it against other alternatives, and the
2 specific alternative would be leaving the plants in
3 service that were there, and that this is the most
4 cost-effective to replace that power and provide the
5 13 that is needed.

6 **COMMISSIONER DEASON:** Do I have a motion?

7 **COMMISSIONER CLARK:** I move Staff.

8 **COMMISSIONER JOHNSON:** Second.

9 **COMMISSIONER DEASON:** It's been moved and
10 seconded. Show then that Staff's recommendation is
11 approved unanimously. Anything else to come before
12 the Commission at this time?

13 **MR. YOUNG:** On behalf of Lakeland, I
14 certainly want to thank the Staff for all the time
15 they spent with us and thank you all very much for the
16 time you spent with us, and I hope that all of your
17 proceedings in the future go like this. Thank you.

18 **COMMISSIONER CLARK:** So do I.

19 **COMMISSIONER DEASON:** That may be very
20 optimistic, but we would like to see that as well.

21 **MR. KEATING:** At least all of those that
22 Mr. Young are involved in.

23 **COMMISSIONER DEASON:** Okay. Thank you all.
24 This hearing is adjourned.

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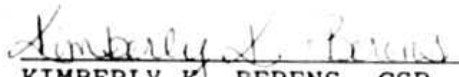
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