

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Investigation into the
earnings and authorized return
on equity of Gulf Power Company.

DOCKET NO. 990250-EI
ORDER NO. PSC-99-1292-PCO-EI
ISSUED: July 7, 1999

ORDER GRANTING GULF POWER COMPANY'S
MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

By Motion filed July 6, 1999, Gulf Power Company (Gulf) requested an extension of time to file any pleadings in response to the Petition on Proposed Agency Action filed June 14, 1999, by the Coalition for Equitable Rates (Coalition). Currently, any pleading in response to the Petition is due to be filed no later than July 9, 1999.

Gulf states that it is engaged in ongoing discussions with the Coalition to resolve the issues raised in the Coalition's Petition. Gulf states that additional time is needed to determine whether an agreement can be reached without the need for further pleadings and litigation. To this end, Gulf requests that the deadline for filing a response be extended to July 21, 1999. Gulf states that it has contacted counsel for the Coalition, and is authorized to represent that the Coalition agrees with the request.

Having reviewed the request, and being otherwise advised in the premises, I find that it should be granted.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by Commissioner J. Terry Deason, as Prehearing Officer, that Gulf Power Company's request for an extension of time until July 21, 1999, to file any pleading in response to the Coalition for Equitable Rates' Petition on Proposed Agency is granted.


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By ORDER of Commissioner J. Terry Deason as Prehearing Officer, this 7th day of July, 1999.



J. TERRY DEASON
Commissioner and Prehearing Officer

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NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.569(1), Florida Statutes, to notify parties of any administrative hearing or judicial review of Commission orders that is available under Sections 120.57 or 120.68, Florida Statutes, as well as the procedures and time limits that apply. This notice should not be construed to mean all requests for an administrative hearing or judicial review will be granted or result in the relief sought.

Mediation may be available on a case-by-case basis. If mediation is conducted, it does not affect a substantially interested person's right to a hearing.

Any party adversely affected by this order, which is preliminary, procedural or intermediate in nature, may request: (1) reconsideration within 10 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.0376, Florida Administrative Code, if issued by a Prehearing Officer; (2) reconsideration within 15 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code, if issued by the Commission; or (3) judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court, in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility, or the First District Court of Appeal, in the case of a water or wastewater utility. A motion for reconsideration shall be filed with the Director, Division of

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Records and Reporting, in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code. Judicial review of a preliminary, procedural or intermediate ruling or order is available if review of the final action will not provide an adequate remedy. Such review may be requested from the appropriate court, as described above, pursuant to Rule 9.100, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.