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**DATE:** February 18, 2000  
**TO:** Joe Garcia, Chairman  
**FROM:** Division of Auditing and Financial Analysis (Samaan) *1988*  
 Division of Legal Services (Crossman) *RUE*  
**RE:** DOCKET NO. 000089-EI -- Application of Gulf Power Company for authority to receive common equity contributions and to issue and sell securities during the 12 months ending March 31, 2001

Pursuant to Administrative Procedure Manual Section 2.11-4(3)(a), staff makes this request to add an emergency item to the February 29, 2000, Agenda Conference to consider Gulf Power Company's (Gulf) application to receive common equity contributions and to issue and sell securities during the 12 months ending March 31, 2001.

On January 25, 2000, Gulf filed its application pursuant to Section 366.04, Florida Statutes, and Chapter 25-8, Florida Administrative Code. On February 7, 2000, notice of Gulf's application was provided to the Department of State for publication in the Florida Administrative Weekly in accordance with Section 366.04, Florida Statutes. Accordingly, this matter was scheduled for the February 29, 2000, Agenda Conference for the Commission to take final action.

To prevent the delay of renoticing, staff believes that this matter should be heard by the Commission at the February 29, 2000 Agenda Conference. If consideration of this matter is delayed Gulf may be forced to forego opportunities related to receiving common equity contributions and the issuance and sale of securities.

Staff will file the recommendation for this item before noon Friday, February 18, 2000. For the reasons set forth above, staff respectfully requests permission to file an emergency recommendation in this matter.

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