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October 18, 2000

Ms. Blanca S. Bayo, Director
Division of Records and Reporting
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
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Dear Ms. Bayo:

RE: Docket No. 000007-EI

Enclosed are an original and ten copies of the Preliminary Statement of Gulf Power Company regarding Issues and Positions in the above docket.

Also enclosed is a 3.5 inch double sided, high density diskette containing the Statement in WordPerfect for Windows 8.0 format as prepared on a Windows NT based computer.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Susan D. Ritenour".

Susan D. Ritenour
Assistant Secretary and Assistant Treasurer

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cc: Beggs and Lane
Jeffrey A. Stone

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FPSC-RECORDS/REPORTING

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

IN RE: Environmental Cost)
Recovery Clause.)
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Docket No. 000007-EI
Filed: October 19, 2000

**PRELIMINARY STATEMENT OF GULF POWER COMPANY
REGARDING ISSUES AND POSITIONS**

Gulf Power Company, ("Gulf Power", "Gulf", or "the "Company"), by and through its undersigned attorneys, hereby files this preliminary statement of issues and positions, saying:

Generic Environmental Cost Recovery Issues

ISSUE 1: What are the appropriate final environmental cost recovery true-up amounts for the period January 1999 through December 1999?

GULF: Over recovery \$541,592.

(Vick, Ritenour)

ISSUE 2: What are the estimated environmental cost recovery true-up amounts for the period January, 2000 through December, 2000?

GULF: Over recovery \$1,266,925. (Vick, Ritenour)

ISSUE 3: What are the total environmental cost recovery true-up amounts to be collected/refunded during the period January 2001 though December 2001?

GULF: Refund of \$1,808,517. (excluding revenue taxes). (Ritenour)

ISSUE 4: What are the appropriate projected environmental cost amounts to be included in the recovery factors for the period January 2001 through December 2001?

GULF: \$ 10,786,018. (Vick, Ritenour)

ISSUE 5: What are the appropriate Environmental Cost Recovery Factors for each rate group?

GULE: See table below: (Ritenour)

RATE CLASS	ENVIRONMENTAL COST RECOVERY FACTORS ¢/KWH
RS, RST, RSVP	0.096
GS, GST	0.096
GSD, GSDT	0.087
LP, LPT	0.082
PX, PXT, RTP	0.077
OSI, OSII	0.063
OSIII	0.081
OSIV	0.069
SBS	0.077

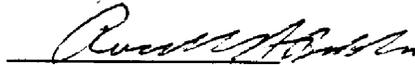
ISSUE 6: What should be the effective date of the new environmental cost recovery factors for billing purposes?

GULE: The factors should be effective beginning with the specified billing cycle and thereafter for the period January, 2001, through December, 2001. Billing cycles may start before January 1, 2001, and the last cycle may be read after December 31, 2001, so that each customer is billed for twelve months regardless of when the adjustment factor became effective. (Ritenour)

Company-Specific Environmental Cost Recovery Issues

NONE RAISED BY GULF POWER COMPANY

Respectfully submitted this: ^{19th} th day of October, 2000.



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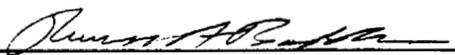
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