BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition for extension of experimental real-time pricing rate by Florida Power & Light Company.

DOCKET NO. 001615-EI ORDER NO. PSC-01-0083-PAA-EI ISSUED: January 10, 2001

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

J. TERRY DEASON, Chairman
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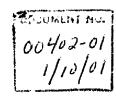
NOTICE OF PROPOSED AGENCY ACTION ORDER GRANTING APPROVAL OF PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF EXPERIMENTAL REAL TIME PRICING RATE BY FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY

BY THE COMMISSION:

NOTICE is hereby given by the Florida Public Service Commission that the action discussed herein is preliminary in nature and will become final unless a person whose interests are substantially affected files a petition for a formal proceeding, pursuant to Rule 25-22.029, Florida Administrative Code.

In Docket No. 940423-EG, the Commission approved Florida Power & Light Company's (FPL) Experimental Real Time Pricing (RTP-GX) rate schedule. See Order No. PSC-94-1232-FOF-EG, issued October 11, 1994. The purpose of the pilot program is to determine customer response to marginal price signals. In Docket No. 981356-EG, the Commission granted FPL's request for an extension of the RTP-GX rate through December 31, 2000. See Order No. PSC-99-0058-FOF-EG, issued January 6, 1999. Jurisdiction in this matter is vested by Sections 366.04, 366.05 and 366.06, Florida Statutes.

On July 20, 2000, FPL filed a petition to modify and extend the Real Time Pricing rate schedule effective for the period January 1, 2001, through December 31, 2002. FPL proposed modifications to the components of the rates to increase price



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volatility and simplify the existing RTP-GX rate schedule, and to reduce the program's demand eligibility level from 1,000 kw to 500 kw. These tariff changes were suspended at the September 5, 2000, Agenda Conference to allow staff additional time for discovery. See Order No. PSC-00-1871-PCO-EI, issued October 13, 2000 in Docket No. 000902-EI.

On October 25, 2000, FPL filed a second petition. In this new petition (Docket No. 001615-EI), FPL is seeking approval to extend the <u>existing RTP-GX</u> rate schedule beyond its December 31, 2000, ending date. It is seeking a 3-month extension of the existing rate to allow time for customer notification and education regarding the proposed changes in Docket No. 000902-EI.

The existing RTP-GX rate schedule allows for its extension by order of the Commission. Additionally, customers who are currently taking service under the RTP-GX rate will not be adversely impacted by the extension of the existing rate schedule. We, therefore, approve FPL's petition to extend the current RTP-GX rate through March 31, 2001.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the petition for extension of the experimental real time pricing rate by Florida Power & Light Company, is granted. It is further

ORDERED that the provisions of this Order, issued as proposed agency action, shall become final and effective upon the issuance of a Consummating Order unless an appropriate petition, in the form provided by Rule 28-106.201, Florida Administrative Code, is received by the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, by the close of business on the date set forth in the "Notice of Further Proceedings" attached hereto. It is further

ORDERED that the tariff should remain in effect pending resolution of the protest, with any charges held subject to refund pending resolution of the protest. It is further

ORDERED that in the event this Order becomes final, this docket shall be closed.

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By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this <u>10th</u> day of January, 2001.

BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Directo

Division of Records and Reporting

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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 that is available under Section 120.57, 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 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.

The action proposed herein is preliminary in nature. Any person whose substantial interests are affected by the action proposed by this order may file a petition for a formal proceeding, in the form provided by Rule 28-106.201, Florida Administrative Code. This petition must be received by the Director, Division of

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Records and Reporting, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, by the close of business on <u>January 31, 2001</u>.

In the absence of such a petition, this order shall become final and effective upon the issuance of a Consummating Order.

Any objection or protest filed in this docket before the issuance date of this order is considered abandoned unless it satisfies the foregoing conditions and is renewed within the specified protest period.