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May 22, 2001

# Re: Florida Power & Light Company's Request for Confidential Classification of Certain Material Provided in Connection with the Monthly Fuel Filings Docket No. 010001-EI

Dear Ms. Bayó:

I enclose and hand you herewith for filing in the above-referenced matter, the original and five (5) copies of Florida Power & Light Company's ("FPL") Request for Confidential Classification. The original includes Attachments A, B, and C. The five copies include only Attachments B and C.

Attachment A contains the confidential information that is the subject of FPL's Request for Confidential Classification. Attachment A is submitted for filing in a separate, sealed folder or carton marked "ATTACHMENT A – CONFIDENTIAL. Attachment B is an edited version of Attachment A, in which the information FPL asserts is confidential has been blocked out. Attachment C contains FPL's justification for its request for confidential classification.

In accordance with Rule 25-22.006(3)(d), FPL requests confidential treatment of the information in Attachment A pending disposition of FPL's request for Confidential Classification.

Also included herewith is a computer diskette containing FPL's Request for Confidential Classification and Attachment C, in Microsoft Word

Please contact me should you or your Staff have any questions regarding this filing.

**RECEIVED & FILED** Sincerely, FPSC-BUREAU OF RECORDS Waa fitu R. Wade Litchfield

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## **BEFORE THE**

## FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Fuel and Purchased Power	)	
Cost Recovery Clause and Generating	)	
Performance Incentive Factor	)	

DOCKET NO. 010001-EI

FILED: May 22, 2001

## **REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION**

NOW, BEFORE THIS COMMISSION, through undersigned counsel, comes Florida

Power & Light Company ("FPL" and, pursuant to section 25-22.006 of the Florida Administrative

Code and section 366.093 of the Florida Statutes, hereby requests confidential classification of

certain information on Florida Public Service Commission ("FPSC" or "Commission") Form 423-

1(a) submitted in Docket No. 010001-EI. In support of its Request, FPL states as follows:

1. Petitioner's principal business address is as follows:

Florida Power & Light Company P.O. Box 029100 Miami, Florida 33102-9100

Orders, notices, or other pleadings related to this request should be served on:

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2. The following attachments are included herewith and made a part hereof:

a. Attachment A is the complete and unedited version of FPL's February 2001 Form 423-1(a) which contains certain information that FPL asserts should be accorded confidential treatment. The information in Attachment A for which FPL seeks confidential classification has been highlighted. Attachment A is submitted separately in a sealed envelope marked "CONFIDENTIAL".

b. Attachment B is the edited version of Attachment A. All information that FPL asserts is entitled to confidential treatment has been blocked out in Attachment B.

c. Attachment C identifies information for which confidential treatment is sought and, with regard to each item or type of information, contains a brief statement that explains the need for confidentiality and refers to the specific statutory basis or bases for the request.

3. Pursuant to section 366.093, FPL seeks confidential protection for the information

highlighted in Attachment A. FPL submits that such information is proprietary confidential business information within the meaning of section 366.093(3). Pursuant to section 366.093, such materials are entitled to confidential treatment and are exempt from the disclosure provisions of the public records law. Thus, once the Commission determines that the information in question is proprietary confidential business information, the Commission is not required to engage in any further analysis or review such as weighing the harm of disclosure against the public interest in access to the information.

4. FPL requests that the Commission make the following findings with respect to the

fuel oil information identified as confidential on Attachments A and C:

The fuel oil data identified are contractual data; and FPL's ability to procure fuel oil, terminaling and transportation services, and petroleum inspection services is reasonably likely to be impaired by the disclosure of the information identified because:

(1) the markets in which FPL, as a buyer, must procure fuel oil, terminaling and transportation services, and fuel inspection services are oligopolistic;

- (2) FPL, as a substantial buyer in an oligopolistic market may obtain price concessions not available to other buyers; and
- (3) the disclosure of such concessions likely would end them, resulting in higher prices to FPL.

5. FPL requests that the information for which FPL seeks confidential classification not be declassified until the dates specified on Attachment C in order to allow FPL a reasonable period of time within which to negotiate future contracts. Disclosure prior to the requested dates for declassification would impair FPL's ability to negotiate future contracts.

6. The statutory bases and support for FPL's assertion of confidentiality with regard to specific items or types of information are set forth in Attachment C. The information for which confidential classification is sought is intended to be and is treated by FPL as confidential and, to the best of FPL's knowledge and belief, has not been publicly disclosed.

7. Upon a finding by the Commission that the material in Attachment A for which FPL seeks confidential treatment is proprietary confidential business information within the meaning of section 366.093(3), pursuant to section 366.093(4) such materials should not be declassified until the end of the protective period set by the Commission.

Further, the materials should be returned to FPL as soon as the information is no longer necessary for the Commission to conduct its business.

WHEREFORE, for the above and foregoing reasons, including those set forth in the supporting materials included herewith, Florida Power & Light Company respectfully requests that its Request for Confidential Classification be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

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# CONFIDENTIAL

# ATTACHMENT A

# FPSC FORM NO. 423-1(a)

# **FEBRUARY 2001**

# **FILED SEPARATELY**

# **NON-CONFIDENTIAL**

# **ATTACHMENT B**

# FPSC FORM NO. 423-1(a) (Edited)

**FEBRUARY 2001** 



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FPSC FORM NO. 423-1 (a)

# EDITED COPY

#### MONTHLY REPORT OF COST AND QUALITY OF FUEL OIL FOR ELECTRIC PLANTS

DETAIL OF INVOICE AND TRANSPORTATION CHARGES

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3. NAME, TITLE TELEPHONE NUMBER OF CONTACT PERSON CONCERNING DATA SUBMITTED ON THIS FORM: RITA MCLELLAN, REGULATORY AFFAIRS, (305) 552 - 4069

2. REPORTING COMPANY: FLORIDA POWER LIGHT COMPANY

1. REPORTING MONTH: FEB YEAR: 2001

4. SIGNATURE OF OFFICIAL SUBMITTING REPORT:

5. DATE COMPLETED: 04/18/2001

(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)	(H)	(1)	(J)	(K)	(L)	(M)	(N)	(O)	(P)	(Q)	(R)
LINE NO.	PLANT	SUPPLIER		DELIVERY	TYPE OIL	VOLUME (BBLS)	INVOICE PRICE	INVOICE AMOUNT (\$)	DISCOUNT		NET PRICE (\$/BBL)		EFFECTIVE PUR PRICE (\$/BBL)	TRANSP TO TERM (\$/BBL)	ADDITIONAL TRANS CHGS (\$/BBL)	other Chgs (\$/BBL)	DELIVERED PRICE (\$/BBL)
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	NATEE	COASTAL	PORT MANATEE	02/06/200	F06	277410											20.0797
	EVERGLADES	COASTAL	PORT EVERGLADES	02/14/200	F06	180941											25.0812
	EVERGLADES	COASTAL	PORT EVERGLADES	02/24/200	F06	167441											28.0119
		COASTAL	FISHER ISLAND	02/14/200	F06	91251											25.6329
	RKEY POINT	COASTAL	FISHER ISLAND	02/24/200	F06	103040											23.7238
	MYERS	FAMM	BOCA GRANDE	02/07/200	F06	83736											23.7238
	MYERS	FAMM	BOCA GRANDE	02/22/200	F06	83057											24.3346
	IFORD	NOVARCO	JACKSONVILLE	02/21/200	F06	250947											25.1651
	NATEE	COASTAL	PORT MANATEE	02/13/200	F06	60409											24.2290
10 RIVI		COASTAL	RIVIERA	02/12/200	F06	127326											26.5459
11 MAF		EQUIVA	PALM BEACH	02/17/200	F06	116880											
12 RIVI		EQUIVA		02/07/200	F06	113071											27.2340
13 RIVI		GLENCORE	RIVIERA	02/03/200	F06	119831											28.1090
14 RIVI		GLENCORE	RIVIERA	02/28/200	F06	120373											25.2170
15 MAR		GLENCORE,LT		02/15/200	F06	120021											27.0379
	E CANAVERAL		PORT CANAVERAL	02/02/200	F06	161625											26.8815
17 CAP	E CANAVERAL		PORT CANAVERAL	02/16/200	F06	144470											26.9025
18 MAR	TIN	NOVARCO	PALM BEACH	02/11/200	F06	144694											29.0669
19 MAR	TIN	NOVARCO	PALM BEACH	02/22/200	F06	144062											26.3429
20 SANI	FORD	NOVARCO	JACKSONVILLE	02/01/200	F06	85908											24.0691
21 TURI	KEY POINT	NOVARCO	FISHER ISLAND	02/04/200	F06	161641											27.1079
22 CAPI	E CANAVERAL	VITOL	PORT CANAVERAL	02/26/200	F06	200054											22.4995
23 MAR	TIN	VITOL	PALM BEACH	02/08/200	F06	141225											28.2849
24 MAN	ATEE	VITOL	PORT MANATEE	02/01/200	F06	316839											24.2497
25 PT. E	VERGLADES	VITOL	PORT EVERGLADES	02/05/200	F06	120663											26.1822
26 PT. E	EVERGLADES	VITOL	PORT EVERGLADES	02/05/200	F06	50360											26.1822
27 MAN.	ATEE	COASTAL		02/05/200	FO2	178											50.1500
- 28 MAN	ATEE	COASTAL		02/05/200	FO2	178											50.1500
29 MAN	ATEE	COASTAL		02/05/200	FO2	178											50.1500
30 MAN	ATEE	COASTAL		02/16/200	FO2	178											50.1500
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### MONTHLY REPORT OF COST AND QUALITY OF FUEL OIL FOR ELECTRIC PLANTS DETAIL OF INVOICE AND TRANSPORTATION CHARGES

FPSC FORM NO. 423-1 (a)

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3. NAME, TITLE TELEPHONE NUMBER OF CONTACT PERSON CONCERNING DATA SUBMITTED ON THIS FORM: RITA MCLELLAN, REGULATORY AFFAIRS, (305) 552 4669

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LINE NO.	PLANT	SUPPLIER	DELIVERY LOCATION		TYPE OIL	Volume (BBLS)	INVOICE PRICE	INVOICE AMOUNT E (\$)	DISCOUNT	NET AMOUNT (\$)	NET PRICE (\$/BBL)	QUALITY ADJUST. (\$/BBL)	EFFECTIVE PUR PRICE (\$/B8L)	TRANSP TO TERM (\$/BBL)	ADDITIONAL TRANS CHGS (\$/BBL)	other Chgs (\$/BBL)	DELIVERED PRICE (\$/BBL)
31 MANA	TEE	COASTAL		02/20/200	FO2	178											50.1500
32 MANA		COASTAL		02/21/200	FO2	178											50.1500
33 MANA		COASTAL		02/22/200	FO2	177											50.1500
34 MART	IN	COASTAL		02/23/200	FO3	3910											37.6300
35 PFL		COASTAL		02/01/200	FO3	1153											39.0000
36 PFL		COASTAL		02/02/200	FO3	1142											39.0000
37 PFL		COASTAL		02/05/200	FO3	21											39.0000
38 PFL		COASTAL		02/10/200	FO3	10000											38.2800
39 PPN		STEUART		02/01/200	FO3	13666											40.4300
40 PT. EV	ERGLADES	AMERIGAS		02/08/200	Pro	14	48.2600	676	0	676	48.2600	0.0000	48.2600	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	48.2600
41 PT. EV	ERGLADES	AMERIGAS		02/20/200	PRO	10	49.1300	491	0	491	49.1300	0.0000	49.1300	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	49.1300
42 RIVIER	RA	AMERIGAS		02/08/200	PRO	6	49.4200	297	0	297	49.4200	0.0000	49.4200	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	49.4200
43 RIVIEF	RA	AMERIGAS		02/13/200	Pro	6	49.3700	296	0	296	49.3700	0.0000	49.3700	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	49.3700
44 RIVIEF	AA	AMERIGAS		02/23/200	PRO	8	48.4500	388	0	388	48.4500	0.0000	48.4500	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	48.4500
45 TURKE	EY POINT	AMERIGAS		02/28/200	PRO	6	48.0000	288	0	288	48.0000	0.0000	48.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	48.0000
46 MANA	TEE	SUBURBAN		02/02/200	PRO	10	62.7000	627	0	627	62.7000	0.0000	62.7000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	62.7000
47 MANA	TEE	SUBURBAN		02/16/200	PRO	17	56.3900	959	0	959	56.3900	0.0000	56.3900	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	56.3900
48 MANAT	ree	SUBURBAN		02/23/200	PRO	2	51.8900	104	0	104	51.8900	0.0000	51.8900	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	51.8900

# ATTACHMENT C

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## Justification for Confidentiality for February, 2001 Report:

FORM	LINE(S)	COLUMN	RATIONALE
423-1(a)	1 - 39	Н	(1)
423-1(a)	1 - 39	I	(2)
423-1(a)	1 - 39	J	(2), (3)
423-1(a)	1 - 39	К	(2)
423-1(a)	1 - 39	L	(2)
423-1(a)	1 - 39	Μ	(2), (4)
423-1(a)	1 - 39	Ν	(2), (5)
423-1(a)	1 - 39	Р	(6), (7)
423-1(a)	1 - 39	Q	(6), (7)

## Rationale for confidentiality:

(1) This information is contractual information which, if made public, "would impair the efforts of [FPL] to contract for goods or services on favorable terms." Section 366.093(3)(d), Fla. Stat. (1995). The information delineates the price per barrel FPL has paid for fuel oil for specific shipments from specific suppliers. This information would allow suppliers to compare an individual supplier's price with the market quote for that date of delivery and thereby determine the contract pricing formula between FPL and that supplier.

Contract pricing formulas generally contain two components, which are: (1) a markup in the market quoted price for that day; and (2) a transportation charge for delivery at an FPL chosen port of delivery. Discounts and quality adjustment components of fuel price contract formulas are discussed in paragraphs 3 and 4. Disclosure of the invoice price would allow suppliers to determine the contract price formula of their competitors. The knowledge of

others' prices (*i.e.*, contract formulas) among fuel oil suppliers is reasonably likely to cause the suppliers to converge on a target price, or to follow a price leader, effectively eliminating any opportunity for a major buyer like FPL to obtain price concessions from any one supplier. The end result is reasonably likely to be increased No. 6 fuel oil prices and therefore increased electric rates.

- (2) The contract data found in Columns I through N are an algebraic function of Column H. That is, the publication of these Columns together, or independently, could allow a supplier to derive the invoice price of oil.
- (3) Some FPL fuel contracts provide for an early payment incentive in the form of a discount from the invoice price. The existence and amount of such discount is confidential for the reasons stated in paragraph (1) relative to price concessions.
- (4) For fuel that does not meet contract requirements, FPL may reject the shipment, or accept the shipment and apply a quality adjustment. This is, in effect, a pricing term which is as important as the price itself and is therefore confidential for the reasons stated in paragraph (1) relative to price concessions.
- (5) Column N is as important as H from a confidentiality standpoint because of the relatively few times that there are quality or discount adjustments. That is, Column N will equal Column H most of the time. Consequently, Column N needs to be protected for the same reasons as set forth in paragraph (1).
- (6) Column R is used to mask the delivered price of fuel such that the invoice or effective price of fuel cannot be determined. Columns P and Q are algebraic variables of Column R. Consequently, disclosure of Columns P and Q would allow a supplier to calculate the invoice or effective purchase price of oil (Columns H and N) by subtracting these columnar variables from Column R.
- (7) Terminaling and transportation services in Florida tend to have the same, if not more severe, oligopolistic attributes of fuel oil suppliers. In 1987, FPL was only able to find eight qualified parties with an interest in bidding either or both of these services. Of these, four responded with transportation proposals and six with terminaling proposals. Due to the small demand in Florida for both of these services, market entry is difficult. Consequently, disclosure of these contract data is reasonably likely to result in increased prices for terminaling and transportation services.

Petroleum inspection services also have the market characteristics of an oligopoly. Due to the limited number of fuel terminal operations, there are correspondingly few requirements for fuel inspection services. In FPL's last bidding process for petroleum inspection services, only six qualified bidders were found for FPL's bid solicitations. Consequently, disclosure of these contract data is reasonably likely to result in increased prices for petroleum inspection services.

(8) This information is contractual information which, if made public, "would impair the efforts of (FPL) to contract for goods or services on favorable terms." Section 366.093(3)(d), F.S. (1995). The information delineates the price FPL has paid for No. 2 fuel oil per barrel for specific shipments from specific suppliers. No. 2 fuel oil is purchased through a bidding process. At the request of the No. 2 fuel oil suppliers, FPL has agreed to not publicly disclose any supplier's bid. This nondisclosure agreement protects both FPL's ratepayers and the bidding suppliers. As to FPL's ratepayers, the non-public bidding procedure provides FPL with a greater variation in the range of bids that would otherwise not be available if the bids, or the winning bid by itself, were publicly disclosed. With public disclosure of the No. 2 fuel oil prices found on FPL's Form 423-1(a), the bids would narrow to a closer range around the last winning bid, eliminating the possibility that one suppliers. Nondisclosure likewise protects the supplies from divulging any economic advantage that supplier may have which the others have not discovered.

# Date of Declassification:

FORM	LINE(S)	COLUMN	DATE
423-1(a)	1-5	H – N, P & Q	01/31/03
423-1(a)	6-7	H – N, P & Q	12/31/01
423-1(a)	8	H – N, P & Q	02/28/03
423-1(a)	9-39	H – N, P & Q	08/31/01

## Rationale:

FPL requests that the confidential information identified above not be disclosed until the identified date of declassification. The date of declassification is determined by adding six months to the last day of the contract period under which the goods or services identified on Form 423-1(a) or 423-1(b) were purchased.

Disclosure of pricing information during the contract period or prior to the negotiation of a new contract is reasonably likely to impair FPL's ability to negotiate future contracts as described above.

FPL typically renegotiates its No. 6 fuel oil contracts and fuel-related services contracts prior to the end of such contracts. However, on occasion, some contracts are not renegotiated until after the end of the current contract period. In those instances, the contracts are typically renegotiated within six

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months. Consequently, it is necessary to maintain the confidentiality of the information identified as confidential on FPL's Form 423-1(a) or 423-1(b) for six months after the end of the individual contract period to which the information relates.

With respect to No. 6 fuel oil price information on the Form 423-1(a) or 423-1(b) for oil that was not purchased pursuant to an already existing contract, and the terms of the agreement under which it is purchased are fulfilled upon delivery, FPL requests the price information identified as confidential be kept confidential for a period of six months after the delivery. A six-month period is the minimum amount of time necessary for confidentiality of these types of purchases to allow FPL to utilize its market presence in gaining price concessions during seasonal fluctuations in the demand for No. 6 fuel oil. Disclosure of this information any sooner than six months after completion of the transaction is reasonably likely to impair FPL's ability to negotiate such purchases.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, THE UNDERSIGNED COUNSEL, HEREBY CERTIFY that a copy of Florida Power & Light Company's Request for Confidential Classification, without Attachment A, has been served via first class mail, postage prepaid to the parties listed below, this <u>22</u><sup>PD</sup> day of May, 2001:

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