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In re: Review of Florida Power Corporation's earnings, including effects of proposed

acquisition of Florida Power Corporation by Carolina Power & Light

Docket No: 000824-EI

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Florida Power Corporation ("FPC" or the "Company") is filing herewith are the originals, disc and fifteen (15) copies of the following:

- 1. Florida Power Corporation's Response to the Petition to Intervene of Florida Municipal Power Agency; and 09047-01
- 2. Florida Power Corporation's Response to the Petition to Intervene of Walt Disney World Company.

We request you acknowledge receipt and filing of the above by stamping the additional copy of this letter and returning it to me in the self-addressed, stamped envelope provided.

If you or your Staff have any questions regarding this filing, please contact me at (727) 821-7000.

Very truly yours,

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#### BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re. Review of Florida Power

In re: Review of Florida Power Corporation's Earnings, Including Effects of Proposed Acquisition of Florida Power Corporation by Carolina Power & Light **DOCKET NO. 000824-EI** 

Submitted for Filing: July 25, 2001

# FLORIDA POWER CORPORATION'S RESPONSE TO THE PETITION TO INTERVENE OF THE FLORIDA MUNICIPAL POWER AGENCY

Florida Power Corporation ("FPC" or the "Company"), respectfully responds to the petition to intervene of the Florida Municipal Power Agency ("FMPA") and states:

1. FMPA is interested in this proceeding because the Florida Public Service Commission (the "Commission"), has made the Company's involvement with the Regional Transmission Organization ("RTO") known as GridFlorida an issue in it. In claiming a substantial interest in this proceeding, FMPA alleges with specificity only that "GridFlorida will substantially impact FMPA's wholesale power and transmission costs" because its "members have transmission facilities that are interconnected with FPC transmission facilities," "FMPA utilizes FPC transmission facilities to supply wholesale power to its member systems," and "FMPA is a transmission owner in the State of Florida with transmission facilities interconnecting with FPC." Petition to Intervene, ¶ 3. (emphasis supplied). FMPA further claims with some specificity a substantial interest that will be impacted by this proceeding because FMPA "is a party in [Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC)] Docket ER01-2205" and the Commission's stated purpose of assisting FERC in that Docket will affect FMPA's interests in FERC Docket ER01-2205. Petition to Intervene, ¶ 5. As a result, FMPA specifically claims a substantial interest in this proceeding only with respect to the issues concerning GridFlorida.

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- 2. The Commission's potential pairing in this docket of the disparate issues of the prudence of FPC's involvement with GridFlorida and the review of FPC's retail rates puts FPC in a difficult position with respect to the petitions to intervene of entities specifically claiming an interest in the proceeding only to the extent that it concerns GridFlorida, like FMPA. On the one hand, in view of the allegations about their involvement in the Florida wholesale electric market and the Commission's decision to consider GridFlorida issues here, FPC does not object to their intervention to protect their alleged interests in the GridFlorida issues. On the other hand, if the Commission uses the same docket for reviewing FPC's retail rates, FPC does not believe that the standing of parties, such as FMPA, that in reality is predicated on involvement in Florida's wholesale electric market should automatically confer standing to participate in issues associated with the retail rate review.
- 3. As a result, FPC has reached an agreement with certain entities claiming standing predicated on their alleged involvement in Florida's wholesale electric market, e.g. Calpine Corporation and Duke Energy North America, that it will not object to their intervention on the GridFlorida issues subject to the reservation of FPC's right to object to their standing on other issues. Calpine Corporation and Duke Energy North America have agreed that FPC's position is reasonable and have consented to this limitation on their right to intervene.
- 4. FPC likewise believes that the best way to minimize its interference with the GridFlorida aspect of this docket, while at the same time protecting its rights concerning intervention in any retail rate review that is conducted herein, is to acquiesce in FMPA's intervention on the GridFlorida issues while reserving its rights to object to FMPA's standing to participate in other issues which FPC believes do not involve FMPA's substantial interests. As noted, FMPA has alleged with specificity only that its substantial interests will be affected by the

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Commission's determinations with respect to GridFlorida. Accordingly, FPC acquiesces in FMPA's intervention in this docket with respect to the separate, disparate issues with respect to GridFlorida with the understanding that FPC is reserving its rights to object to FMPA's standing with respect to any other issue at the time that the Commission or FMPA specifically identifies a non-GridFlorida-related issue that FMPA regards as affecting its substantial interests.

WHEREFORE, if FMPA is permitted to intervene in this docket in order to protect its alleged interests in the GridFlorida issues in this docket, if any, FPC respectfully reserves its rights to object to FMPA's standing to participate with respect to any non-GridFlorida-related issues.

Respectfully submitted,

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true copy of foregoing has been furnished via U.S. Mail to the following this 24<sup>TH</sup> day of July, 2001.

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