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Ms. Blanca S. Bayo, Director Division of Records and Reporting Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Re: Review of Florida Power & Light Company's proposed merger with Entergy Corporation, the formation of a Florida transmission company ("Florida Transco"), and their effect on FPL's retail rates. Docket No. 001148-EI

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Foley & Lardner is filing herewith an original and fifteen (15) copies of Seminole Electric Cooperative, Inc.'s motion to intervene in the above-referenced docket.

If you or your Staff has any questions regarding this filing, please contact Thomas J. Maida or N. Wes Strickland at (850) 222-6100.

Sincerely,

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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SEMINOLE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.'S PETITION TO INTERVENE

Petitioner, SEMINOLE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC. ("Seminole Electric"), through undersigned counsel and pursuant Rule 25-22.039, *Florida Administrative Code*, hereby petitions to intervene in the above-styled docket, and in support hereof states the following:

1. The name, address, and telephone number of the Petitioner are as follows:

Seminole Electric Cooperative, Inc. 16313 North Dale Mabry Highway Tampa, Florida 33688-2000 (813) 963-0994

2. Copies of all correspondence, notices, pleadings, and orders in the abovereferenced docket should be provided to representatives of Seminole Electric as follows:

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- 3. Seminole Electric is a generation and transmission cooperative organized under Chapter 425, Florida Statutes. Seminole Electric provides wholesale electricity to its member distribution cooperatives located throughout peninsular Florida. Seminole Electric's member cooperatives provide retail electric service to more than 700,000 customers in 45 counties located in peninsular Florida.
- 4. Seminole Electric is a wholesale transmission customer of Florida Power & Light Company ("FPL"). Seminole Electric substantially relies upon FPL's transmission facilities to supply wholesale power to its member cooperatives.
- 5. The prudence of the formation of and FPL's participation in GridFlorida are at issue in the above-styled docket. The issues regarding prudence of the formation of and FPL's participation in GridFlorida directly and substantially affect Seminole Electric's interests in access to transmission facilities necessary to supply power to its member cooperatives, as well as the reliability, efficiency, and cost of such transmission facilities.
- 6. In addition, Seminole Electric has been and continues to be an active participant in the development of GridFlorida, including proceedings before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC"). The proceedings in the above-styled docket will substantially affect the formation of and FPL's participation in GridFlorida. Consequently, Seminole Electric's interests in the development of GridFlorida, including Seminole Electric's involvement in the proceedings before FERC, will be substantially and materially affected by the proceedings in the above-styled docket.

WHEREFORE, Seminole Electric respectfully requests the Commission to enter an order granting this Petition and according Seminole Electric full party status in the above-styled docket.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 4th day of September 2001.

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