

BEFORE THE
FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

DOCKET NO. 010001-EI

In the Matter of

FUEL AND PURCHASED POWER
COST RECOVERY CLAUSE AND
GENERATING PERFORMANCE
INCENTIVE FACTOR

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CHAIRMAN JACOBS: So without objection, show the testimonies of Mr. Hartzog, Ms. Dubin, the original testimonies are entered into the record as though read. And you just moved the supplemental testimony of Mr. Hartzog as well, so that is entered into the record as though read.

MR. McWHIRTER: Mr. Chairman, I wanted to ask Ms. Dubin a couple of questions on the direct fuel testimony. She's going to take the stand on supplemental. Can I ask her those questions at that point?

MR. CHILDS: I don't think she had any remaining issues for that testimony. There were two gas issues that remained and not stipulated, so that was the only reason that her other testimony, I think, wasn't starred, and those have been deferred now. So I don't think she has anything at issue.

CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Were your questions --

MR. McWHIRTER: I was going to ask her questions similar to the ones I asked of Mr. -- Javier is his first name -- concerning wholesale transactions.

MR. CHILDS: Well, at this point -- maybe we can take that up later. At this point, I'm just moving it into --

CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Okay. For the moment we'll assume that you can ask the questions, and we'll deal with whatever objections arise at that time.

1 MR. McWHIRTER: Okay. That will be good.

2 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: So we now have Mr. Hartzog's
3 original and supplemental, and Ms. Dubin's original testimony,
4 and we will wait to have the supplementals --

5 MR. CHILDS: We had Mr. Yupp and Mr. Silva as well
6 that I wanted to move in record.

7 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Yes. Without objection, show
8 Mr. Yupp's testimony and Mr. Silva's testimony are entered into
9 the record as though read.

10 MR. CHILDS: And I'm sorry to take the time, but we
11 have on -- starting on Page 34 a series of documents that are
12 sponsored by FPL witnesses.

13 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Very well.

14 MR. CHILDS: And if you would agree perhaps to give
15 them simply -- each witness a number in sequence starting with
16 the last number, that might take care of it. Mr. Yupp would be
17 the next number.

18 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Very well. We will mark Mr. Yupp's
19 exhibits as Exhibit 24, Composite Exhibit 24.

20 (Exhibit 24 marked for identification.)

21 MR. CHILDS: And then Ms. Dubin's.

22 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: We'll mark Ms. Dubin's exhibits as
23 Composite Exhibit 25.

24 (Exhibit 25 marked for identification.)

25 MR. CHILDS: Mr. Green is 26.

1 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Yes, and Mr. Green will be 26.

2 (Exhibit 26 marked for identification.)

3 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: And Mr. Hartzog would be 27.

4 (Exhibit 27 marked for identification.)

5 MR. CHILDS: And then one more, Mr. Silva.

6 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Mr. Silva will be 28.

7 (Exhibit 28 marked for identification.)

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1 **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

2 **FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY**

3 **TESTIMONY OF GERARD YUPP**

4 **DOCKET NO. 010001-EI**

5 **AUGUST 31, 2001**

6 **Q. Please state your name and address.**

7 A. My name is Gerard Yupp. My address is 11770 U. S. Highway One,
8 North Palm Beach, Florida, 33408.

9
10 **Q. By whom are you employed and what is your position?**

11 A. I am employed by Florida Power & Light Company (FPL) as
12 Manager of Regulated Wholesale Power Trading in the Energy
13 Marketing and Trading Division.

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15 **Q. Have you previously testified in this docket?**

16 A. Yes.

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18 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

19 A. The purpose of my testimony is to present and explain FPL's
20 projections for (1) the dispatch costs of heavy fuel oil, light fuel oil,
21 coal, petroleum coke, and natural gas, (2) the availability of natural
22 gas to FPL, (3) the generating unit heat rates and availabilities, and

1 (4) the quantities and costs of interchange and other power
2 transactions, as well as, a series of new power purchase
3 agreements which will start in February of 2002. The projected
4 values and the terms of the new agreements were used as input
5 values to the POWRSYM model which was used to calculate the
6 fuel cost to be included in the proposed fuel cost recovery factors for
7 the period January through December, 2002.

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9 On August 23, 2001, FPL filed a Petition to reduce its fuel
10 adjustment factors beginning in October, 2001. As part of that
11 Petition, FPL also filed its Fuel and Capacity Cost Recovery
12 Schedules for 2002 and, rather than waiting until the filing scheduled
13 date of September 20, 2001, FPL committed to file the supporting
14 testimony on an expedited basis prior to the end of August, 2001.

15 On August 6, 2001, Staff issued a memo asking that utilities address
16 some issues regarding hedging and risk management. A
17 discussion on this subject is not included in my testimony, however,
18 I plan to file supplemental testimony addressing these hedging
19 issues by the original filing date of September 20, 2001.

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21 **Q. Have you prepared or caused to be prepared under your**
22 **supervision, direction and control an Exhibit in this**
23 **proceeding?**

1 A. Yes, I have. It consists of pages 1 through 15 of Appendix I of this
2 filing.

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4 **Q. In addition to the "Base Case" fuel price forecast, have you**
5 **prepared alternative fuel price forecasts?**

6 A. Yes. In addition to the "Base Case" fuel price forecast, we have
7 prepared, for fuel oil and natural gas supply, two alternate forecasts,
8 a "Low" and a "High" price forecast.

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10 **Q. Why did you prepare alternate forecasts for fuel oil and gas**
11 **supply only?**

12 A. Because coal and petroleum coke prices have been and are
13 expected to continue to be steady, and gas transportation costs are
14 well defined.

15

16 **Q. How is your testimony organized?**

17 A. My testimony first describes the basis for the "Base Case" fuel price
18 forecast for oil, coal and petroleum coke, and natural gas, as well
19 as, the projection for natural gas availability. Then it describes the
20 "Low" and "High" price forecasts for fuel oil and natural gas supply.
21 Then my testimony addresses plant heat rates, outage factors,
22 planned outages, and changes in generation capacity followed by
23 projected interchange and purchased power transactions. Lastly,

1 my testimony addresses a series of new purchase power
2 agreements that start in February of 2002.

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4 **BASE CASE FUEL PRICE FORECAST**

5 **Q. What are the key factors that could affect FPL's price for heavy**
6 **fuel oil during the January through December, 2002 period?**

7 A. The key factors are (1) demand for crude oil and petroleum products
8 (including heavy fuel oil), (2) non-OPEC crude oil production, (3) the
9 extent to which OPEC production matches actual demand for OPEC
10 crude oil, (4) the price relationship between heavy fuel oil and crude
11 oil, and (5) the terms of FPL's heavy fuel oil supply and
12 transportation contracts.

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14 In the Base Case, world demand for crude oil and petroleum
15 products is projected to be somewhat stronger in 2002 than in 2001
16 due to an assumed economic recovery during 2002, especially in
17 Asia, and continued strong petroleum product demand in the United
18 States and Europe. Although crude oil production capacity will be
19 more than adequate to meet the projected strong crude oil and
20 petroleum product demand, general adherence by OPEC members
21 to its most recent production accord, and the continued alliance of
22 Mexico and Norway with OPEC, will prevent significant
23 overproduction and keep the supply of crude oil and petroleum

1 products somewhat tight during most of 2002.

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3 **Q. What is the projected relationship between heavy fuel oil and**
4 **crude oil prices during the January through December, 2002**
5 **period?**

6 A. The price of heavy fuel oil on the U. S. Gulf Coast (1.0% sulfur) is
7 projected to be approximately 85% of the price of West Texas
8 Intermediate (WTI) crude oil during this period.

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10 **Q. Please provide FPL's projection for the dispatch cost of heavy**
11 **fuel oil for the January through December, 2002 period.**

12 A. FPL's Base Case projection for the system average dispatch cost of
13 heavy fuel oil, by sulfur grade, by month, is provided on page 3 of
14 Appendix I in dollars per barrel.

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16 **Q. What are the key factors that could affect the price of light fuel**
17 **oil?**

18 A. The key factors that affect the price of light fuel oil are similar to
19 those described above for heavy fuel oil.

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21 **Q. Please provide FPL's projection for the dispatch cost of light**
22 **fuel oil for the period from January through December, 2002.**

23 A. FPL's Base Case projection for the system average dispatch cost of

1 light oil, by sulfur grade, by month, is shown on page 4 of Appendix I
2 in dollars per barrel.

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4 **Q. What is the basis for FPL's projections of the dispatch cost for**
5 **St. Johns' River Power Park (SJRPP) and Scherer Plant?**

6 A. FPL's projected dispatch cost for SJRPP is based on FPL's price
7 projection for spot coal and petroleum coke delivered to SJRPP.
8 The dispatch cost for Scherer is based on FPL's price projection for
9 spot coal delivered to Scherer Plant.

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11 For SJRPP, annual coal volumes delivered under long-term
12 contracts are fixed on October 1st of the previous year. For Scherer
13 Plant, the annual volume of coal delivered under long-term contracts
14 is set by the terms of the contracts. Therefore, the price of coal
15 delivered under long-term contracts does not affect the daily
16 dispatch decision.

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18 In the case of SJRPP, FPL will continue to blend petroleum coke
19 with the coal in order to reduce fuel costs. It is anticipated that
20 petroleum coke will represent 15% of the fuel blend at SJRPP
21 during 2002. The lower price of petroleum coke is reflected in the
22 projected dispatch cost for SJRPP, which is based on this projected
23 fuel blend.

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2 **Q. Please provide FPL's projection for the dispatch cost for**
3 **SJRPP and Scherer Plant for the January through December,**
4 **2002 period.**

5 A. FPL's projected system weighted average dispatch cost of "solid
6 fuel" (coal and petroleum coke) for this period, by month, in dollars
7 per million BTU, delivered to plant, is shown on page 5 of Appendix
8 I.

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10 **Q. What are the factors that can affect FPL's natural gas prices**
11 **during the January through December, 2002 period?**

12 A. In general, the key factors are (1) domestic natural gas demand and
13 production, (2) natural gas storage levels, (3) natural gas imports,
14 (4) heavy fuel oil prices, and (5) the terms of FPL's gas supply and
15 transportation contracts.

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17 The dominant fundamental factors influencing the projected price of
18 natural gas in 2002 are: (1) projected domestic natural gas demand
19 will increase by about 1.5 Bcf per day or 2.4% in 2002, from about
20 61.8 Bcf per day in 2001 to about 63.3 Bcf per day in 2002, primarily
21 from increases in the power generation sector; (2) natural gas
22 storage levels are now projected to be at historical highs going into
23 the winter of 2001/2002, compared with historical lows during the

1 winter of 2000/2001,(3) domestic natural gas production is
2 expected to increase by 0.5 Bcf per day in 2002, primarily from the
3 offshore Gulf of Mexico and Rocky Mountain regions reflecting the
4 impact of a significant increase in U. S. natural gas directed rig
5 count during the 1999 through mid-2001 period, and (4) imports
6 from Canada will increase by about 0.4 Bcf per day reflecting an
7 increase in Canadian production to fill the existing pipeline capacity
8 into the Upper Midwest.

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10 **Q. What are the factors that affect the availability of natural gas to**
11 **FPL during the January through December, 2002 period?**

12 A. The key factors are (1) the existing capacity of natural gas
13 transportation facilities into Florida, (2) the Phase V expansion of the
14 Florida Gas Transmission Pipeline System, (3) the portion of that
15 capacity that is contractually allocated to FPL on a firm,
16 "guaranteed" basis each month, and (4) the natural gas demand in
17 the State of Florida.

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19 The current capacity of natural gas transportation facilities into the
20 State of Florida is 1,650,000 million BTU per day. The Phase V
21 expansion of the Florida Gas Transmission Pipeline System, for
22 FPL's contractual requirements, is assumed to be complete by April
23 1, 2002 providing FPL with firm allocation of 750,000 to 874,000

1 million BTU per day, depending on the month. The complete Phase
2 V expansion is scheduled for completion by May 1, 2003 increasing
3 the capacity of the natural gas transportation facility into the State of
4 Florida by 428,015 million BTU per day to 2,028,015 million BTU per
5 day. Total demand for natural gas in the State during the January
6 through December, 2002 period (including FPL's firm allocation) is
7 projected to be between 113,000 and 695,000 million BTU per day
8 below the pipeline's total capacity. This projected available pipeline
9 capacity could enable FPL to acquire and deliver additional natural
10 gas, beyond FPL's 710,000 to 874,000 million BTU per day of firm,
11 "guaranteed" allocation, should it be economically attractive, relative
12 to other energy choices.

13
14 **Q. Please provide FPL's projections for the dispatch cost and**
15 **availability (to FPL) of natural gas for the January through**
16 **December, 2002 period.**

17 A. FPL's Base Case projections of the system average dispatch cost in
18 dollars per million BTU and availability of natural gas in thousand,
19 million BTU's per day, by month, are provided on page 6 of
20 Appendix I.

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22 **"LOW" and "HIGH" PRICE FORECASTS FOR FUEL OIL AND**
23 **GAS SUPPLY**

- 1 **Q. What is the basis for the “Low” price forecast for fuel oil and**
2 **gas supply?**
- 3 A. The “Low” forecast prices for fuel oil and gas supply were set such
4 that based on the consensus among FPL’s fuel traders and energy
5 market analysts, there is less than a 5% likelihood that the actual
6 monthly average price of each fuel for each month in the January
7 through December, 2002 period will be below the “Low” price
8 forecast.
- 9
- 10 **Q. Please provide the “Low” price forecasts for fuel oil and gas**
11 **supply.**
- 12 A. FPL’s projection for the average dispatch cost of heavy fuel oil, by
13 sulfur grade, by month, based on the “Low” price forecast is
14 provided on page 7 of Appendix I, in dollars per barrel. FPL’s
15 projection for the average dispatch cost of light fuel oil based on the
16 “Low” price forecast, by sulfur grade, by month, is shown on page 8
17 of Appendix I, in dollars per barrel. FPL’s projections of the system
18 average dispatch cost of natural gas based on the “Low” price
19 forecast are provided on page 9 of Appendix I in dollars per million
20 BTU.
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- 22 **Q. What is the basis for the “High” price forecast for fuel oil and**
23 **gas supply?**

1 A. The "High" forecast prices for fuel oil and gas supply were set such
2 that based on the consensus among FPL's fuel traders and energy
3 market analysts, there is less than a 5% likelihood that the actual
4 average monthly price of each fuel for each month in the January
5 through December, 2002 period will be above the "High" price
6 forecast.

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8 **Q. Please provide the "High" price forecasts for fuel oil and gas
9 supply.**

10 A. FPL's projection for the average dispatch cost of heavy fuel oil, by
11 sulfur grade, by month, based on the "High" price forecast is
12 provided on page 10 of Appendix I, in dollars per barrel. FPL's
13 projection for the average dispatch cost of light fuel oil based on the
14 "High" price forecast, by sulfur grade, by month, is shown on page
15 11 of Appendix I, in dollars per barrel. FPL's projections of the
16 system average dispatch cost of natural gas based on the "High"
17 price forecast are provided on page 12 of Appendix I, in dollars per
18 million BTU.

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20 **Q. Based on FPL's current (August, 2001) view of the fuel oil and
21 natural gas markets, at what level do you now project prices
22 will be during the January through December, 2002 period?**

23 A. Based on current market conditions, and consistent with our August,

1 2001 forecast update, FPL now projects that actual fuel oil and gas
2 prices during the January through December, 2002 period will be
3 the closest to those projected in the "Base Case" price forecast,
4 than the "Low" or "High" price forecast. Therefore, the projected fuel
5 costs calculated by POWRSYM using the "Base Case" oil and gas
6 price forecast are the most appropriate projected costs for the
7 January through December, 2002 period. As stated in the testimony
8 of Korel Dubin, the "Base Case" oil and gas price forecast was used
9 to calculate the proposed Fuel Factor for the period January through
10 December, 2002.

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12 **PLANT HEAT RATES, OUTAGE FACTORS, PLANNED**
13 **OUTAGES, and CHANGES IN GENERATING CAPACITY**

14 **Q. Please describe how you have developed the projected unit**
15 **Average Net Operating Heat Rates shown on Schedule E4 of**
16 **Appendix II.**

17 **A.** The projected Average Net Operating Heat Rates were calculated
18 by the POWRSYM model. The current heat rate equations and
19 efficiency factors for FPL's generating units, which present heat rate
20 as a function of unit power level, were used as inputs to POWRSYM
21 for this calculation. The heat rate equations and efficiency factors
22 are updated as appropriate, based on historical unit performance
23 and projected changes due to plant upgrades, fuel grade changes,

1 or results of performance tests.

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3 **Q. Are you providing the outage factors projected for the period**
4 **January through December, 2002?**

5 A. Yes. This data is shown on page 13 of Appendix I.

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7 **Q. How were the outage factors for this period developed?**

8 A. The unplanned outage factors were developed using the actual
9 historical full and partial outage event data for each of the units.
10 The historical unplanned outage factor of each generating unit was
11 adjusted, as necessary, to eliminate non-recurring events and
12 recognize the effect of planned outages to arrive at the projected
13 factor for the January through December, 2002 period.

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15 **Q. Please describe significant planned outages for the January**
16 **through December, 2002 period.**

17 A. Planned outages at our nuclear units are the most significant in
18 relation to Fuel Cost Recovery. Turkey Point Unit No. 4 is scheduled
19 to be out of service for refueling from March 25, 2002, until April 24,
20 2002, or thirty days during the projected period. St. Lucie Unit No. 1
21 will be out of service for refueling from September 30, 2002, until
22 October 30, 2002, or thirty days during the projected period. There
23 are no other significant planned outages during the projected period.

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2 **Q. Please list any significant changes to FPL's "continuous"**
3 **generation capacity, actual, or projected to take place during**
4 **the period ending December 2002, that were not reflected in**
5 **FPL's Fuel Cost Recovery filing of September 21, 2000.**

6 A. The Fort Myers repowering project and the Sanford repowering
7 project will increase both the Net Winter Continuous Capability
8 (NWCC) and the Net Summer Continuous Capability (NSCC).
9 This data is shown on page 14 of Appendix I. Please note that my
10 September 21, 2000 filing showed a decrease in the generating
11 capacity of these same units (Fort Myers and Sanford 4)
12 consistent with our plans to repower them. In addition, my
13 September 21, 2000 filing also showed an increase in the
14 generating capacity at Ft. Myers during the first half of 2001.

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16 **INTERCHANGE and PURCHASED POWER TRANSACTIONS**

17 **Q. Are you providing the projected interchange and purchased**
18 **power transactions forecasted for January through December,**
19 **2002?**

20 A. Yes. This data is shown on Schedules E6, E7, E8, and E9 of
21 Appendix II of this filing.

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23 **Q. What fuel price forecast for fuel oil and gas supply was used to**

1 **project interchange and purchased power transactions?**

2 A. The interchange and purchased power transactions presented
3 below, and on Schedules E6, E7, E8 and E9 of Appendix II of this
4 filing were developed using the "Base Case" fuel price forecast for
5 fuel oil and gas supply.

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7 **Q. In what types of interchange transactions does FPL engage?**

8 A. FPL purchases interchange power from others under several types
9 of interchange transactions which have been previously described in
10 this docket: Emergency - Schedule A; Short Term Firm - Schedule
11 B; Economy - Schedule C; Opportunity Sales - Schedule OS; and
12 UPS Replacement Energy - Schedule R.

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14 For services provided by FPL to other utilities, FPL has developed
15 amended Interchange Service Schedules, including AF/AS
16 (Emergency), BF/BS (Scheduled Maintenance), CF (Economy), and
17 DF/DS (Outage). These amended schedules replace and
18 supersede existing Interchange Service Schedules A, B, C, D, and
19 X for services provided by FPL.

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21 **Q. Does FPL have arrangements other than interchange**
22 **agreements for the purchase of electric power and energy**
23 **which are included in your projections?**

1 A. Yes. FPL purchases coal-by-wire electrical energy under the 1988
2 Unit Power Sales Agreement (UPS) with the Southern Companies.
3 FPL has contracts to purchase nuclear energy under the St. Lucie
4 Plant Nuclear Reliability Exchange Agreements with Orlando
5 Utilities Commission (OUC) and Florida Municipal Power Agency
6 (FMPPA). FPL also purchases energy from JEA's portion of the
7 SJRPP Units. Additionally, FPL purchases energy and capacity
8 from Qualifying Facilities under existing tariffs and contracts.

9
10 **Q. Please provide the projected energy costs to be recovered**
11 **through the Fuel Cost Recovery Clause for the power**
12 **purchases referred to above during the January through**
13 **December, 2002 period.**

14 A. Under the UPS agreement FPL's capacity entitlement during the
15 projected period is 928 MW from January through December, 2002.
16 Based upon the alternate and supplemental energy provisions of
17 UPS, an availability factor of 100% is applied to these capacity
18 entitlements to project energy purchases. The projected UPS
19 energy (unit) cost for this period, used as an input to POWRSYM, is
20 based on data provided by the Southern Companies. For the
21 period, FPL projects the purchase of 8,044,726 MWH of UPS
22 Energy at a cost of \$130,405,510. The total UPS Energy
23 projections are presented on Schedule E7 of Appendix II.

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Energy purchases from the JEA-owned portion of the St. Johns River Power Park generation are projected to be 2,994,183 MWH for the period at an energy cost of \$43,833,400. FPL's cost for energy purchases under the St. Lucie Plant Reliability Exchange Agreements is a function of the operation of St. Lucie Unit 2 and the fuel costs to the owners. For the period, we project purchases of 537,366 MWH at a cost of \$1,677,600. These projections are shown on Schedule E7 of Appendix II.

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15 **Q.**

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Has FPL entered into any new purchase arrangements for electric power which are included in your projections?

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Yes. There are four new purchase arrangements for electric power included in our projections. FPL has purchased 50 MWs of firm capacity and energy from Florida Power Corporation for 2002. Additionally for 2002, FPL has purchased exclusive rights for the output (energy and capacity) from seven new combustion turbines, totaling approximately 1,000 MWs. These agreements were entered into with Progress Energy Ventures, Reliant Energy

1 Services, and Oleander Power Project L.P. These new
2 arrangements are summarized on page 15 of Appendix I.

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4 **Q. Will FPL be providing the fuel for the operation of the facilities**
5 **supporting the new purchase power agreements?**

6 A. Yes. FPL will be providing the fuel for the operation of these
7 facilities and the costs are included in Schedule E3 of Appendix II.

8

9 **Q. How were energy costs related to purchases from Qualifying**
10 **Facilities developed?**

11 A. For those contracts that entitle FPL to purchase "as-available"
12 energy we used FPL's fuel price forecasts as inputs to the
13 POWRSYM model to project FPL's avoided energy cost that is used
14 to set the price of these energy purchases each month. For those
15 contracts that enable FPL to purchase firm capacity and energy, the
16 applicable Unit Energy Cost mechanism prescribed in the contract is
17 used to project monthly energy costs.

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19 **Q. Please describe the method used to forecast the off system**
20 **sales and economy purchases.**

21 A. The quantity of off system sale and economy purchase transactions
22 are projected based upon estimated generation costs and expected
23 market conditions.

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2 **Q. What are the forecasted amounts and costs of off system**
3 **sales?**

4 A. We have projected 1,815,000 MWH of off system sales for the
5 period. The projected fuel cost related to these sales is
6 \$71,497,100. The projected transaction revenue from the sales is
7 \$96,245,000. The gain for Off System sales is \$17,838,370 and is
8 credited to our customers.

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10 **Q. In what document are the fuel costs of off system sales**
11 **transactions reported?**

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13 A. Schedule E6 of Appendix II provides the total MWH of energy, total
14 dollars for fuel adjustment, total cost, and total gain for off system
15 sales.

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17 **Q. What are the forecasted amounts and cost of energy being**
18 **sold under the St. Lucie Plant Reliability Exchange Agreement?**

19 A. We project the sale of 493,502 MWH of energy at a cost of
20 \$1,525,200. These projections are shown on Schedule E6 of
21 Appendix II.

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23 **Q. What are the forecasted amounts and costs of economy energy**

1 **purchases for the January to December, 2002 period?**

2 A. The costs of these purchases are shown on Schedule E9 of
3 Appendix II. For the period FPL projects it will purchase a total of
4 2,349,273 MWH at a cost of \$77,144,669. If generated, we
5 estimate that this energy would cost \$92,036,539. Therefore, these
6 purchases are projected to result in savings of \$14,891,871.

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8 **SUMMARY**

9 **Q. Would you please summarize your testimony?**

10 A. Yes. In my testimony I have presented FPL's fuel price projections
11 for the fuel cost recovery period of January through December,
12 2002, including FPL's "Base Case," and "Low" and "High" price
13 forecasts for fuel oil and gas supply. I have explained why the
14 projected fuel costs developed using the "Base Case" price forecast
15 are the most appropriate for the January through December, 2002
16 period. In addition, I have presented FPL's projections for
17 generating unit heat rates and availabilities, the quantities and costs
18 of interchange and other power transactions for the same period
19 and the new purchase arrangements for electric power. These
20 projections were based on the best information available to FPL and
21 they were used as inputs to the POWRSYM model in developing the
22 projected Fuel Cost Recovery Factors for the January through
23 December, 2002 period.

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2 **Q.** Does this conclude your testimony?

3 **A.** Yes, it does.

1 **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**
2 **FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY**
3 **SUPPLEMENTAL TESTIMONY OF GERARD YUPP**
4 **DOCKET NO. 010001-EI**
5 **September 20, 2001**

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7 **Q. Please state your name and address.**

8 A. My name is Gerard Yupp. My address is 11770 U. S. Highway One,
9 North Palm Beach, Florida, 33408.

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11 **Q. By whom are you employed and what is your position?**

12 A. I am employed by Florida Power & Light Company (FPL) as
13 Manager of Regulated Wholesale Power Trading in the Energy
14 Marketing and Trading Division.

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16 **Q. Have you previously testified in this docket?**

17 A. Yes.

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19 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

20 A. The purpose of my supplemental testimony is to address fuel
21 adjustment issues identified in the revised Procedural Order PSC-
22 01-1829-PCO-EI, issued on September 11, 2001 which were not
23 addressed in my testimony filed on August 31, 2001. My testimony

1 presents and explains FPL's current and future fuel hedging
2 strategies.

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4 **Q. Has FPL taken reasonable steps to manage the risks**
5 **associated with its fuel and wholesale energy transactions**
6 **through the use of physical and financial hedging practices?**

7 A. Yes

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9 **Q. What hedging strategies has FPL implemented over the past**
10 **year to manage the risks associated with its fuel and wholesale**
11 **energy transactions?**

12 A. FPL continually manages fuel and wholesale energy price risk to
13 achieve cost and volatility minimization for its customers. Over the
14 past year, FPL has taken a number of steps to mitigate the impact of
15 high fuel prices on its customers. FPL is able to minimize costs
16 through portfolio diversification, asset optimization and fuel hedging.
17 FPL's generation mix consists of nuclear, coal, petroleum coke, oil,
18 and natural gas-fired generation, as well as, purchased power
19 contracts. This diversified mix of resources reduces the risk of fuel
20 price volatility because FPL is not captive to one energy or fuel
21 source. FPL also maintains diversification within its fuel and
22 purchase power contracts through a mix of long-, mid- and short-
23 term transactions.

1 Additionally, FPL has been able to optimize its assets through fuel
2 switching between natural gas and oil, selling excess natural gas
3 into the market and burning lower cost oil, optimizing FPL's firm
4 natural gas transportation by selling delivered natural gas in the
5 Florida markets when oil prices are below natural gas prices, and
6 selling excess oil-fired generation and returning profits to FPL's
7 customers. FPL has also implemented numerous hedging
8 strategies to achieve cost minimization. As natural gas prices
9 peaked, FPL began maximizing its oil inventory, as well as,
10 aggressively procuring oil transportation. FPL also utilized natural
11 gas storage for the first time. Storing natural gas allowed FPL to
12 minimize its baseload natural gas requirements, when prices were
13 high, while continuing to have the capability to withdraw natural gas
14 on peak demand days to reliably meet its load. FPL has also
15 bought natural gas with embedded options to achieve below market
16 pricing. Finally, FPL has been able, at times, to exchange its winter
17 must-take natural gas volumes for natural gas in the summer.

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19 FPL continues to develop and implement hedging strategies on a
20 daily basis to manage price risk and volatility. The fuel price
21 increases during the past year has resulted in FPL becoming even
22 more creative in finding ways to minimize fuel costs and volatility to
23 its customers.

- 1 **Q. Is FPL in the process of reviewing its hedging strategies and**
2 **methods to manage the risks associated with its fuel and**
3 **wholesale energy transactions?**
- 4 A. Yes, FPL is in the process of reviewing its hedging strategies and
5 methods to manage the risks associated with its fuel and wholesale
6 energy transactions. FPL has hired Dean & Company, a strategy
7 consultant firm, to explore alternative hedging strategies to enhance
8 FPL's current program. We plan to report on the results of the Dean
9 & Company study prior to the November Fuel Cost Recovery
10 hearings.
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- 12 **Q. Should the Florida Public Service Commission encourage**
13 **Florida Power & Light to enter into derivative transactions to**
14 **manage the risks associated with its fuel and wholesale**
15 **energy transactions?**
- 16 A. Yes. The appropriate and controlled use of derivative instruments
17 will support both FPL's and the Florida Public Service Commission's
18 objective of fuel cost and volatility minimization to the customer.
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- 20 **Q. What is the appropriate regulatory treatment of the gains and**
21 **losses that result from hedging fuel and wholesale energy**
22 **transactions?**
- 23 A. The appropriate regulatory treatment of the gains and losses that

1 result from hedging fuel and wholesale energy transactions is to
2 include both the gains and losses in the Fuel Clause.

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4 **Q. What is the appropriate regulatory treatment for the premiums**
5 **received and paid for hedging fuel and wholesale energy**
6 **costs?**

7 A. Since the premiums received and paid are a direct and customary
8 component of hedging fuel and wholesale energy, they should be
9 included in the Fuel Clause, for the delivery period for which it
10 relates, as a normal and acceptable component of procuring fuel.

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12 **Q. What is the appropriate treatment for the transaction costs**
13 **associated with hedging fuel and wholesale energy costs?**

14 A. Since the transaction costs associated with hedging fuel and
15 wholesale energy are a direct and customary cost of hedging fuel
16 and wholesale energy, they should be included in the Fuel Clause,
17 for the delivery period for which it relates, as the normal and
18 acceptable cost of hedging fuel and wholesale energy.

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20 **Q. For the period March 1999 to March 2001, were FPL's natural**
21 **gas procurement practices reasonable?**

22 A. FPL's natural gas procurement practices during this time period
23 were reasonable and prudent. FPL's procurement strategies in this

1 highly volatile market enabled FPL to achieve cost and volatility
2 minimization to its customers.

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4 **Q. Would you please summarize your testimony?**

5 A. I have presented and explained FPL's hedging strategies and have
6 indicated that the strategies and methods are currently under
7 review, and that FPL will be providing an update prior to the
8 November hearing. I have also indicated FPL's recommendation on
9 the regulatory treatment for the costs associated with an effective
10 hedging program, as well as, the treatment for the gains and losses
11 from the execution of a hedging program.

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13 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

14 A. Yes, it does.

1 **BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

2 **FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY**

3 **TESTIMONY OF R. SILVA**

4 **DOCKET NO. 010001-EI**

5 **APRIL 2, 2001**

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7 **Q. Please state your name and business address.**

8 A. My name is Rene Silva and my business address is 700 Universe
9 Boulevard, Juno Beach, Florida 33408.

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11 **Q. Mr. Silva, would you please state your present position with**
12 **Florida Power and Light Company (FPL).**

13 A. I am Manager of Economic Analysis, Planning, and Regulatory
14 Response, in the Power Generation Division of FPL.

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16 **Q. Mr. Silva, have you previously presented testimony in this**
17 **docket?**

18 A. Yes, I have.

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20 **Q. Mr. Silva, what is the purpose of your testimony?**

21 A. The purpose of my testimony is to report the actual performance for
22 the Equivalent Availability Factor (EAF) and Average Net Operating
23 Heat Rate (ANOHR) for the eighteen (18) generating units used to
24 determine the Generating Performance Incentive Factor (GPIF). I
25 have compared the actual performance of each unit to the targets that

1 were approved in Commission Order No. PSC-99-2512-FOF-EI
2 issued December 22, 1999, for the period January through December,
3 2000, and have performed the calculations prescribed by the GPIF
4 Rule based on this comparison. My testimony presents the result of
5 my calculations, which is an incentive reward for the period.

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7 **Q. Have you prepared, or caused to have prepared under your**
8 **direction, supervision or control, an exhibit in this proceeding?**

9 A. Yes, I have. It consists of one document. Page 1 of that document is
10 an index to the contents of the document.

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12 **Q. What is the incentive amount you have calculated for the period**
13 **January through December, 2000?**

14 A. I have calculated a GPIF incentive reward of \$ 9,004,713.

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16 **Q. Please explain how the reward amount is calculated?**

17 A. The steps involved in making this calculation are provided in
18 Document No. 1. Page 2 of Document No. 1 provides the GPIF
19 Reward/Penalty Table (Actual) which shows an overall GPIF
20 performance point value of +4.48 corresponding to a GPIF reward of
21 \$9,004,713. Page 3 provides the calculation of the maximum allowed
22 incentive dollars. The calculation of the system actual GPIF
23 performance points is shown on page 4. This page lists each unit, the
24 unit's performance indicators (ANOHR and EAF), the weighting
25 factors and the associated GPIF points.

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Page 5 is the actual EAF and adjustments summary. This page lists each of the eighteen (18) units, the actual outage factors and the actual EAF, in columns 1 through 5. Column 6 is the adjustment for planned outage variation. Column 7 is the adjusted actual EAF, which is calculated on page 6, and Column 8 is the target EAF. Column 9 contains the Generating Performance Incentive Points for availability as determined from the tables submitted to, and approved by, the Commission prior to the start of the period. These tables are shown on pages 8 through 25.

Page 7 shows the adjustments to ANOHR. For each of the eighteen (18) units, it shows the target heat rate formula, the actual Net Output Factor (NOF) and the actual ANOHR in columns 1 through 4. Since heat rate varies with NOF, it is necessary to determine both the target and actual heat rates at the same NOF. This adjustment is to provide a common basis for comparison purposes and is shown numerically for each GPIF unit in columns 5 through 8. Column 9 contains the Generating Performance Incentive Points that have been determined from the table submitted for each unit and approved by the Commission prior to the beginning of the period. These tables are also shown on pages 8 through 25.

Q. Are there any changes to the targets approved through Commission Order No. PSC-99-2512-FOF-EI?

1 A. No, the approved targets have not changed.

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3 **Q. Please explain the primary reason or reasons why FPL will be**
4 **rewarded under the GPIF for the January through December,**
5 **2000 period?**

6 A. The primary reason that FPL will receive a reward for the period was
7 that Turkey Point Nuclear Units 3 and 4 and St. Lucie Nuclear Units 1
8 and 2 achieved better availability than was targeted.

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10 **Q. Please summarize the effect of FPL's nuclear unit availability on**
11 **the GPIF reward?**

12 A. Turkey Point Unit 3 operated at an adjusted actual EAF of 90.1%,
13 compared to its target of 84.6%. This results in a +10.00 point
14 reward, which corresponds to a GPIF reward of \$1,786,877.

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16 Turkey Point Unit 4 operated at an adjusted actual EAF of 89.2%,
17 compared to its target of 84.6%. This results in a +10.00 point
18 reward, which corresponds to a GPIF reward of \$1,780,032.

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20 St. Lucie Unit 1 operated at an adjusted actual EAF of 100.0%,
21 compared to its target of 93.6%. This results in a +10.00 point
22 reward, which corresponds to a GPIF reward of \$2,336,290.

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1 St. Lucie Unit 2 operated at an adjusted actual EAF of 90.3%,
2 compared to its target of 84.6%. This results in a +10.00 point
3 reward, which corresponds to a GPIF reward of \$1,777,140.

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5 The total GPIF reward due to the nuclear units' actual availability
6 performance is \$7,680,339.

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8 **Q. Please summarize each nuclear unit's performance as it relates to**
9 **the ANOHR of the units.**

10 A. Turkey Point Unit 3 operated with an adjusted actual ANOHR of
11 11,095 BTU/KWH. This ANOHR is within the ± 75 BTU/KWH
12 deadband around the projected target, therefore there is no GPIF
13 reward or penalty.

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15 Turkey Point Unit 4 operated with an adjusted actual ANOHR of
16 11,088 BTU/KWH. This ANOHR is within the ± 75 BTU/KWH
17 deadband around the projected target, therefore there is no GPIF
18 reward or penalty.

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20 St. Lucie Unit 1 operated with an adjusted actual ANOHR of 10,805
21 BTU/KWH. This ANOHR is within the ± 75 BTU/KWH deadband
22 around the projected target, therefore there is no GPIF reward or
23 penalty.

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1 St. Lucie Unit 2 operated with an adjusted actual ANOHR of 10,837
2 BTU/KWH. This ANOHR is within the ± 75 BTU/KWH deadband
3 around the projected target, therefore there is no GPIF reward or
4 penalty.

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6 In total, the nuclear units' heat rate performance results in no GPIF
7 reward or penalty.

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9 **Q. What is the total GPIF incentive reward for FPL's nuclear units?**

10 A. \$7,680,339.

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12 **Q. Mr. Silva, would you summarize the performance of FPL's fossil**
13 **units?**

14 A. Yes, six (6) of the fourteen (14) fossil generating units performed
15 better than their availability targets, while the remaining units
16 performed worse than their targets. The combined fossil unit
17 availability performance results in a GPIF reward of \$567,927.

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19 Three (3) of the fourteen (14) fossil units operated with ANOHR's that
20 were better than their projected targets and two (2) units operated with
21 ANOHR's that were worse than their projected targets. The remaining
22 nine (9) units operated with ANOHR's that were within the ± 75
23 BTU/KWH deadband around the projected targets and they will
24 receive no incentive reward or penalty. In total, the combined fossil
25 units heat rate performance results in a GPIF reward of \$756,447.

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In total, the GPIF reward for FPL's fossil units for the period of

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January through December, 2000 is \$1,324,374

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Q. Does this conclude your testimony?

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A. Yes, it does.

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1 **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

2 **FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY**

3 **TESTIMONY OF R. SILVA**

4 **DOCKET NO. 010001-EI**

5 **SEPTEMBER 20, 2001**

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7 **Q. Please state your name and business address.**

8 A. My name is Rene Silva and my business address is 700 Universe Boulevard, Juno Beach,
9 Florida 33408.

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11 **Q. Mr. Silva, would you please state your present position with Florida Power and**
12 **Light Company (FPL).**

13 A. I am the Manager of Business Services in the Power Generation Business Unit of FPL.

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15 **Q. Mr. Silva, have you previously had testimony presented in this docket?**

16 A. Yes, I have.

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18 **Q. Mr. Silva, what is the purpose of your testimony?**

19 A. The purpose of my testimony is to present the target unit average net operating heat rates
20 and target unit equivalent availability for the period of January through December, 2002,
21 for use in determining the Generating Performance Incentive Factor (GPIF).

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23 **Q. Mr. Silva, please summarize what the FPL system targets are for Equivalent**
24 **Availability Factor (EAF) and Average Net Operating Heat Rate (ANOHR).**

1 A. For the period of January through December, 2002, FPL projects a weighted system
2 equivalent planned outage factor of 4.3 % and a weighted system equivalent unplanned
3 outage factor of 6.1 %, which yield a weighted system equivalent availability target of
4 89.6 %. The targets for this period reflect planned refueling outages for two nuclear
5 units. FPL also projects weighted system average net operating heat rate target of 9187
6 BTU/KWH for the period January through December, 2002. As discussed later in this
7 testimony, these targets represent fair and reasonable values when compared to
8 historical data. FPL therefore requests that the targets for these performance indicators
9 be approved by the Commission.
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11 **Q. Have you prepared, or caused to have prepared under your direction, supervision
12 or control, an exhibit in this proceeding?**

13 A. Yes, I have. It consists of one document. The first page of this document is an index to
14 the contents of the document. All other pages are numbered according to the latest
15 revisions of the GPIF Manual as approved by the Commission.
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17 **Q. Have you established target levels of performance for the units to be considered in
18 establishing the GPIF for FPL?**

19 A. Yes, I have. In my Document No.1, pages 6 and 7, contain the information summarizing
20 the targets and ranges for unit equivalent availability and average net operating heat rates
21 for the twenty-two (22) generating units which FPL proposes to be considered as GPIF
22 units for the period of January through December, 2002. The Sheets presented in these
23 pages were prepared in accordance with the latest revisions of the GPIF Manual. All of

1 these targets have been derived utilizing methodologies as adopted in Section 4,
2 Subsection 2.3 of the GPIF Manual.

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4 **Q. Please summarize FPL's methodology for determining equivalent availability
5 targets?**

6 A. The GPIF Manual requires that the equivalent availability target for each unit be
7 determined as the difference between 100% and the sum of the Planned Outage Factor
8 (POF) and the Unplanned Outage Factor (UOF). The POF for each unit is determined by
9 the length of the planned outage during the projected period. The GPIF Manual also
10 requires that the sum of the most recent twelve month ending average forced outage
11 factor (FOF) and maintenance outage factor (MOF) be used as the starting value for the
12 determination of the target unplanned outage factor (UOF). The UOF is then adjusted to
13 reflect recent unit performance and known unit modifications or equipment changes.
14 This adjustment is applied to units, which have had, during the historical period, or are
15 forecasted to have, during the projection period, planned outages.

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17 **Q. Mr. Silva, were the EAF targets for the GPIF units determined using the
18 methodology as described in the GPIF Operating Manual?**

19 A. Yes.

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21 **Q. How did you select the units to be considered when establishing the GPIF for FPL?**

22 A. The twenty-two (22) units which FPL proposes to use for the period of January through
23 December, 2002, represent the top 80.3% of the total forecasted system net generation
24 for this period. These units were selected in accordance with the GPIF Manual Section

1 3.1, using the estimated net generation for each unit taken from the production costing
2 simulation program, POWRSYM, which forms the basis for the projected levelized fuel
3 cost recovery factor for the period. As shown on page 3 of document 1, two of the base
4 load units were excluded from the GPIF. They are the Ft. Myers Repowering unit and
5 the Sanford Unit 5 Repowering. The repowering of both units from conventional steam
6 units to combined cycle units constitute a major design change affecting both their
7 generation capacity and their performance. As a result, the future performance of these
8 units will not be comparable to their historical performance. Therefore, consistent with
9 the GPIF Manual, Section 2.2.1.3, these units should be excluded from the GPIF
10 calculations for at least one year to establish a minimal history to use in projecting future
11 performance. Because of the exclusions of these two units, which accounted for 13.3%
12 of the forecasted system generation, seven additional units were added to the GPIF to
13 reach the required 80% cumulative projected system generation.

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15 **Q. Mr. Silva, from the heat rate targets and equivalent availability range projections,**
16 **do FPL's generation performance targets represent a reasonable level of efficiency?**

17 A. Yes. These targets are reasonable and in some cases very challenging.

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19 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

20 A. Yes, it does.

1 **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

2 **FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY**

3 **TESTIMONY OF KOREL M. DUBIN**

4 **DOCKET NO. 010001-EI**

5 **April 2, 2001**

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8 **Q. Please state your name, business address, employer and position.**

9 A. My name is Korel M. Dubin, and my business address is 9250 West Flagler
10 Street, Miami, Florida, 33174. I am employed by Florida Power & Light
11 Company (FPL) as the Manager of Regulatory Issues in the Regulatory
12 Affairs Department.

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14 **Q. Have you previously testified in this docket?**

15 A. Yes, I have.

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17 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony in this proceeding?**

18 A. The purpose of my testimony is to present the schedules necessary to
19 support the actual Fuel Cost Recovery Clause (FCR) and Capacity Cost
20 Recovery Clause (CCR) Net True-Up amounts for the period January 2000
21 through December 2000. The Net True-Up for the FCR is an underrecovery,
22 including interest, of \$76,807,071. The FCR underrecovery of \$76,807,071
23 has already been reflected in the midcourse correction effective April 2, 2001

1 approved by the Commission on March 13, 2001. The Net True-Up for the
2 CCR is an underrecovery, including interest, of \$2,850,420. I am requesting
3 Commission approval to include the CCR true-up amount of \$2,850,420 in
4 the calculation of the CCR factors for the period January 2002 through
5 December 2002.

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7 **Q. Have you prepared or caused to be prepared under your direction,**
8 **supervision or control an exhibit in this proceeding?**

9 A. Yes, I have. It consists of two appendices. Appendix I contains the FCR
10 related schedules and Appendix II contains the CCR related schedules. FCR
11 Schedules A-1 through A-9 for the January 2000 through December 2000
12 period have been filed monthly with the Commission and served on all
13 parties. These schedules are incorporated herein by reference.

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15 **Q. What is the source of the data which you will present by way of**
16 **testimony or exhibits in this proceeding?**

17 A. Unless otherwise indicated, the actual data is taken from the books and
18 records of FPL. The books and records are kept in the regular course of our
19 business in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and
20 practices, and provisions of the Uniform System of Accounts as prescribed by
21 this Commission.

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FUEL COST RECOVERY CLAUSE (FCR)

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Q. Please explain the calculation of the Net True-up Amount.

A. Appendix I, page 3, entitled "Summary of Net True-Up", shows the calculation of the Net True-Up for the period January 2000 through December 2000, an underrecovery of \$76,807,071 which has already been reflected in the midcourse correction effective April 2, 2001 as approved by the Commission on March 13, 2001. The calculation of the true-up amount for the period follows the procedures established by this Commission as set forth on Commission Schedule A-2 "Calculation of True-Up and Interest Provision".

The actual End-of-Period underrecovery for the period January 2000 through December 2000 of \$594,812,447 is shown on line 1. The estimated/actual End-of-Period overrecovery for the same period of \$518,005,376 is shown on line 2. (One half of the \$518,005,376 was included in the calculation of the FCR factor for the period January 2001 through December 2001 and the remaining half is to be included in the calculation of the FCR factor for the period January 2002 through December 2002. Line 1 less line 2 results in the Net True-Up for the period January 2000 through December 200 shown on line 3, an underrecovery of \$76,807,071.

Q. Have you provided a schedule showing the calculation of the End-of-Period true-up?

A. Yes. Appendix I, pages 4 through 5, entitled "Calculation of Final True-up

1 Amount", shows the calculation of the FCR End-of period true-up for the
2 period January 2000 through December 2000.

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4 **Q. Have you provided a schedule showing the variances between actuals
5 and estimated/actuals?**

6 A. Yes. Appendix I, page 6, entitled "Calculation of Final True-up Variances",
7 shows the actual fuel costs and revenues compared to the estimated/actuals
8 for the period January 2000 through December 2000.

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10 **Q. Please describe the variance.**

11 A. The final underrecovery of \$76,807,071 for the period January 2000 through
12 December 2000 is primarily due to an approximate \$77.0 million or 3.4%
13 increase in Adjusted Total Fuel Costs & Net Power Transactions (see
14 Appendix I, page 6, Line A7) offset by an approximate \$1.4 million variance in
15 Jurisdictional Fuel Revenues (See Appendix I, page 6, Line D3). The balance
16 is \$1.2 million in interest (See Appendix I, page 6, Line D8).

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18 The \$77 million variance in Jurisdictional Fuel Costs and Net Power
19 Transactions is primarily due to a \$109 million or 5.4% increase in Fuel Cost
20 of System Net Generation (Appendix I, page 6, Line A1a), plus a \$9.8 million
21 or 17.3% increase in Energy Cost of Economy Purchases (Appendix I, page
22 6, Line A4) plus a \$5.9 million or 4.0% increase in Purchased Power
23 (Appendix I, page 6, Line A3a). These amounts are offset by a \$24.5 million
24 increase in Fuel Cost of Power Sold (Appendix I, page 6, Line A2a), a \$16.9

1 million increase in projected Revenues from Off-System Sales (Appendix I,
2 page 6, Line A2b), and \$6.2 million in Adjustments to Fuel Cost (Appendix I,
3 page 6, Lines 6a-6e).

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5 **Q. How is Real Time Pricing (RTP) reflected in the calculation of the Net**
6 **True-up Amount?**

7 A. In the determination of Jurisdictional kWh sales, only kWh sales associated
8 with RTP baseline load are included, consistent with projections (Appendix I,
9 page 6, Line C3). In the determination of Jurisdictional Fuel Costs, revenues
10 associated with RTP incremental kWh sales are included as 100% Retail
11 (Appendix I, page 6, Line D4c) in order to offset incremental fuel used to
12 generate these kWh sales.

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14 **Q. What is FPL's threshold amount to be used to calculate incentives on off-**
15 **system sales in 2001?**

16 A. \$52,953,147 is the threshold amount based on the average of the last three
17 years of actual gains on off-system sales. Gains on sales in 2001 are to be
18 measured against this three-year average threshold. In testimony filed on
19 September 21, 2000 in this docket, FPL provided an estimated/ actual threshold
20 amount of \$47,377,5412. This estimated/actual amount consisted of actual gains
21 for 1998, 1999 and January through July 2000, and estimates for August through
22 December 2000. The purpose of this testimony is to update the estimates for
23 August through December 2000 with actual data. The actual gains for the entire
24 year 2000 is \$37,400,076. The actual gains for 1998 through 2000 are provided

1 below:
2 1998 \$62,276,203
3 1999 \$59,183,161
4 2000 \$37,400,076
5 Three-year average threshold \$52,953,147

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CAPACITY COST RECOVERY CLAUSE (CCR)

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9 **Q. Please explain the calculation of the Net True-up Amount.**

10 A. Appendix II, page 3, entitled "Summary of Net True-Up Amount" shows the
11 calculation of the Net True-Up for the period January 2000 through December
12 2000, an underrecovery of \$2,850,420, which I am requesting to be included
13 in the calculation of the CCR factors for the January 2002 through December
14 2002 period.

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16 The actual End-of-Period overrecovery for the period January 2000 through
17 December 2000 of \$39,560,855 (shown on line 1) less the estimated/actual
18 End-of-Period overrecovery for the same period of \$42,411,275, (shown on
19 line 2) results in the Net True-Up underrecovery for the period January 2000
20 through December 2000 (shown on line 3) of \$2,850,420.

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22 **Q. Have you provided a schedule showing the calculation of the End-of-**
23 **Period true-up?**

24 A. Yes. Appendix II, pages 4 through 5, entitled "Calculation of Final True-up

1 Amount", shows the calculation of the CCR End-of period true-up for the
2 period January 2000 through December 2000. The End of-Period true-up
3 shown on page 5, line 17 plus line 18 is an overrecovery of \$39,560,855.

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5 **Q. Is this true-up calculation consistent with the true-up methodology**
6 **used for the other cost recovery clauses?**

7 A. Yes it is. The calculation of the true-up amount follows the procedures
8 established by this Commission as set forth on Commission Schedule A-2
9 "Calculation of True-Up and Interest Provision" for the Fuel Cost Recovery
10 Clause.

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12 **Q. Have you provided a schedule showing the variances between actuals**
13 **and estimated/actuals?**

14 A. Yes. Appendix II, page 6, entitled "Calculation of Final True-up Variances",
15 shows the actual capacity charges and applicable revenues compared to the
16 estimated/actuals for the period January 2000 through December 2000.

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18 **Q. Please describe the variance.**

19 A. As shown on line 7, actual net capacity charges on a Total Company basis
20 were approximately \$11 million lower than the estimated/actual projection.

21 This variance was primarily due to approximately \$3 million lower than
22 expected Payments to Non-Cogenerators caused by lower payments to
23 Southern Company due to a decrease in capacity rates for UPS purchases.

24 Additionally, as a result of reduced capacity factors, payments to

1 Cogenerators (Cedar Bay, Florida Crushed Stone, and Broward North) were
2 approximately \$6 million lower than projected. And, Revenues from Capacity
3 Sales were approximately \$2 million higher due to higher than projected
4 sales. As shown on line 12, actual Capacity Cost Recovery revenues, net of
5 revenue taxes, were approximately \$13.7 million lower than the
6 estimated/actual projection. The approximate \$11 million cost variance offset
7 by the approximate \$13.7 million revenue variance results in a \$2.7 million
8 underrecovery as shown on line 15. The balance is interest of \$143,412 as
9 shown on line 16.

10 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

11 A. Yes, it does.

1 **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

2 **FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY**

3 **TESTIMONY OF KOREL M. DUBIN**

4 **DOCKET NO. 010001-EI**

5 **August 20, 2001**

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7 **Q. Please state your name and address.**

8 A. My name is Korel M. Dubin and my business address is 9250 West
9 Flagler Street, Miami, Florida 33174.

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11 **Q. By whom are you employed and in what capacity?**

12 A. I am employed by Florida Power & Light Company (FPL) as Manager,
13 Regulatory Issues in the Regulatory Affairs Department.

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15 **Q. Have you previously testified in this docket?**

16 A. Yes, I have.

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18 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

19 A. The purpose of my testimony is to present for Commission review and
20 approval the calculation of the Estimated/Actual True-up amounts for
21 the Fuel Cost Recovery Clause (FCR) and the Capacity Cost
22 Recovery Clause (CCR) for the period January 2001 through
23 December 2001.

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1 **Q. Have you prepared or caused to be prepared under your**
2 **direction, supervision or control an exhibit in this proceeding?**

3 A. Yes, I have. It consists of various schedules included in Appendices
4 I and II. Appendix I contains the FCR related schedules and Appendix
5 II contains the CCR related schedules.

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7 FCR Schedules A-1 through A-9 for January 2001 through July 2001
8 have been filed monthly with the Commission, are served on all
9 parties and are incorporated herein by reference.

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11 **Q. What is the source of the data that you will present by way of**
12 **testimony or exhibits in this proceeding?**

13 A. Unless otherwise indicated, the actual data is taken from the books
14 and records of FPL. The books and records are kept in the regular
15 course of our business in accordance with generally accepted
16 accounting principles and practices and provisions of the Uniform
17 System of Accounts as prescribed by this Commission.

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19 **FUEL COST RECOVERY CLAUSE**

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21 **Q. Please explain the calculation of the FCR Estimated/Actual True-**
22 **up amount you are requesting this Commission to approve.**

23 A. Appendix I, pages 2 and 3, show the calculation of the FCR
24 Estimated/Actual True-up amount. The calculation of the

1 estimated/actual true-up amount for the period January 2001 through
2 December 2001 is an overrecovery, including interest, of
3 \$151,894,067 (Appendix I, Page 3, Column 13, Line C11).

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5 Appendix I, pages 2 and 3 also provide a summary of the Fuel and
6 Net Power Transactions (lines A1 through A7), kWh Sales (lines B1
7 through B3), Jurisdictional Fuel Revenues (line C1 through C3), the
8 True-up and Interest Provision for this period (lines C4 through C10),
9 and the End of Period True-up amount (line C11).

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11 The data for January 2001 through July 2001, columns (1) through
12 (7) reflects the actual results of operations and the data for August
13 2001 through December 2001, columns (8) through (12), are based
14 on updated estimates.

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16 The true-up calculations follow the procedures established by this
17 Commission as set forth on Commission Schedule A2 "Calculation
18 of True-Up and Interest Provision" filed monthly with the Commission.

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20 **Q. Please summarize the variance schedule provided as page 4 of**
21 **Appendix I.**

22 A. The variance calculation of the Estimated/Actual data compared to
23 the midcourse correction projections for the January 2001 through
24 December 2001 period is provided in Appendix I, Page 4.

1 FPL's midcourse correction filing dated February 2, 2001 projected
2 Total Fuel and Net Power Transactions to be \$2.736 billion for
3 January through December 2001 (See Appendix I, page 4, Column
4 2, Line D6). The estimated/actual projected Jurisdictional Total Fuel
5 Cost and Net power Transactions is now projected to be \$2.622
6 billion for the period January through December 2001 (Actual data for
7 January through July 2001 and Revised Estimates for August through
8 December 2001) (See Appendix I, Page 4, Column 1, Line D6).
9 Therefore, Jurisdictional Total Fuel Cost and Net Power Transactions
10 are \$113.5 million lower than projected. (See Appendix I, Page 4,
11 Column 3, Line D6)

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13 Additionally, Jurisdictional Fuel Revenues for 2001 are \$43.0 million
14 higher than projected (Appendix I, Page 4, Column 3, Line D3),
15 resulting in a difference of \$156.5 million. This \$156.5 million less
16 \$4.6 million in interest results in the \$151.9 million overrecovery.
17 During the majority of the year, the Company was in an
18 underrecovery position; therefore, the interest reduces the
19 overrecovery at year-end. Monthly interest amounts are provided on
20 Appendix I, Page 2 and 3, Line C8.

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22 **Q. Please explain the variances causing the \$151.9 million**
23 **overrecovery.**

24 A. As shown on Appendix I, page 4, line A5, the variance in Total Fuel

1 Costs and Net Power Transactions is \$109 million or a 3.9%
2 decrease from the original projections. This variance is mainly due
3 to a \$170 million or 6.8% decrease in the Fuel Cost of System Net
4 Generation due primarily to lower than projected costs of heavy oil
5 and natural gas. The variance also includes a \$8.7 million decrease
6 in Energy Payments to Qualifying Facilities and a \$3.7 million
7 variance in additional revenues from off-system sales. These
8 amounts are offset by a \$14.7 million variance in Power Sold, a \$30.7
9 million increase in Purchased Power and a \$28.0 million increase in
10 Energy Cost of Economy Purchases.

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12 The \$170 million decrease in the cost of System Generation is due
13 primarily to lower than originally projected oil and gas costs. This is
14 due to FPL's ability to switch from heavy oil to natural gas
15 consumption resulting in savings of \$150 million. FPL plans to burn
16 99,947,104 MMBTU less heavy oil than was included in the
17 midcourse correction filing, offset by 100,228,196 MMBTU higher gas
18 burn than was included in the midcourse correction filing. The
19 projected average unit cost of heavy oil included in the midcourse
20 correction filing was \$4.12 per MMBTU. The estimated/actual
21 average unit cost of heavy oil is \$3.94 per MMBTU, a decrease of
22 \$0.18 or -4.27%. (The estimated/actual monthly unit cost of heavy oil
23 ranges from \$4.48 per MMBTU to \$3.53 per MMBTU). The projected
24 average unit cost of natural gas (excluding fixed transportation costs)

1 included in the midcourse correction filing was \$5.57 per MMBTU.

2 The estimated/actual average unit cost of natural gas is \$4.40 per
3 MMBTU, a decrease of \$1.17 or -21.0%. (The estimated/actual
4 monthly unit cost of natural gas ranges from \$9.52 per MMBTU to \$3.41
5 per MMBTU). The unit cost comparisons are annual average figures.

6 The Commission A-Schedules provide monthly unit cost
7 comparisons for oil and gas.

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9 **Q. Were these calculations made in accordance with the**
10 **procedures previously approved in this Docket?**

11 A. Yes, they were.

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13 **Q. What is the true-up amount that will be reflected in the fuel factor**
14 **for January through December 2002?**

15 A. \$107,108,621. In order to mitigate the impact of a large
16 underrecovery on customers, FPL spread the 2000 estimated/actual
17 true-up underrecovery amount of \$518,005,376 over 2 years
18 beginning in 2001. One-half of the \$518,005,376 or \$259,002,688
19 was included in the fuel factor for January through December 2001
20 and is currently being collected. The remaining \$259,002,688 is to
21 be carried forward and included in the fuel factor for January through
22 December 2002. This \$259,002,688 underrecovery less the
23 estimated/actual \$151,894,067 overrecovery for 2001 to be
24 addressed in this filing, produces a resulting true-up amount of

1 \$107,108,621 underrecovery which will be reflected in the fuel factor
2 for January through December 2002.

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CAPACITY PAYMENT RECOVERY CLAUSE

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6 **Q. Please explain the calculation of the CCR Estimated/Actual True-**
7 **up amount you are requesting this Commission to approve.**

8 A. The Estimated/Actual True-up for the period January 2001 through
9 December 2001 is an overrecovery of \$25,003,278, including interest
10 (Appendix II, Page 3, Lines 17 plus 18). Appendix II, Pages 2-3
11 shows the calculation supporting the CCR Estimated/Actual True-up
12 amount.

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14 **Q. Is this true-up calculation consistent with the true-up**
15 **methodology used for the other cost recovery clauses?**

16 A. Yes it is. The calculation of the true-up amount follows the procedures
17 established by this Commission as set forth on Commission
18 Schedule A2 "Calculation of True-Up and Interest Provision" for the
19 Fuel Cost Recovery clause.

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21 **Q. Please explain the calculation of the Interest Provision.**

22 A. The calculation of the interest provision follows the same
23 methodology used in calculating the interest provision for the other
24 cost recovery clauses, as previously approved by this Commission.

1 The interest provision is the result of multiplying the monthly average
2 true-up amount times the monthly average interest rate. The average
3 interest rate for the months reflecting actual data is developed using
4 the 30 day commercial paper rate as published in the Wall Street
5 Journal on the first business day of the current and subsequent
6 months. The average interest rate for the projected months is the
7 actual rate as of the first business day in August 2001.

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9 **Q. Have you provided a schedule showing the variances between**
10 **the Estimated/Actuals and the Original Projections?**

11 A. Yes. Appendix II, Page 4, shows the Estimated/Actual capacity
12 charges and applicable revenues (January through July 2001 reflects
13 actual data and the data for August through December 2001 is based
14 on updated estimates) compared to the original projections for the
15 January 2001 through December 2001 period.

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17 **Q. What is the variance related to capacity charges?**

18 A. As shown in Appendix II, Page 4, Column 3, Line 11, the variance
19 related to capacity charges is a \$10.5 million or a 2.2% decrease.
20 The primary reasons for this variance is a \$23.1 million increase in
21 payments to non-cogenerators offset by a \$33.5 million decrease in
22 payments to cogenerators.

23 The \$23.1 million increase in payments to non-cogenerators is
24 primarily due to additional short term capacity purchases of \$25.8

1 million and higher than estimated payments to Southern Company,
2 offset by lower than estimated capacity payments to SJRPP. The
3 \$33.5 million decrease in payments to cogenerators is primarily due
4 to lower than projected Capacity payments to Cedar Bay. Florida
5 Crushed Stone and Royster also received less than projected
6 payments as the result of reduced Capacity Factors.

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8 **Q. What is the variance in Capacity Cost Recovery revenues?**

9 A. As shown on Appendix II, Page 4, Column 3, Line 14, Capacity Cost
10 Recovery revenues, net of revenue taxes, are \$12.8 million higher
11 than originally projected. The \$12.8 million higher revenues plus the
12 \$10.5 million lower costs results in the true-up amount of \$23.3
13 million overrecovery reported on Column 3, Line 15. This amount
14 plus interest of \$1.7 million reported on Column 3, Line 16 results in
15 the final overrecovery of \$25.0 million.

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17 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony.**

18 A. Yes, it does.

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY

TESTIMONY OF KOREL M. DUBIN

DOCKET NO. 010001-EI

August 31, 2001

Q. Please state your name and address.

A. My name is Korel M. Dubin and my business address is 9250 West Flagler Street, Miami, Florida 33174.

Q. By whom are you employed and in what capacity?

A. I am employed by Florida Power & Light Company (FPL) as Manager of Regulatory Issues in the Regulatory Affairs Department.

Q. Have you previously testified in this docket?

A. Yes, I have.

Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?

A. The purpose of my testimony is to present for Commission review and approval the fuel cost recovery factors (FCR) and the capacity cost recovery factors (CCR) for the Company's rate schedules for the period January 2002 through December 2002. The calculation of the fuel factors is based on projected fuel cost, using the "base case" forecast as described in the testimony of FPL Witness Gerry Yupp,

1 and operational data as set forth in Commission Schedules E1
2 through E10, H1 and other exhibits filed in this proceeding and data
3 previously approved by the Commission. I am also providing
4 projections of avoided energy costs for purchases from small power
5 producers and cogenerators and an updated ten year projection of
6 Florida Power & Light Company's annual generation mix and fuel
7 prices.

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9 On August 23, 2001 FPL filed a petition to reduce its fuel adjustment
10 factors beginning in October 2001. As part of that Petition, FPL also
11 filed its Fuel and Capacity Cost Recovery Schedules for 2002 and,
12 rather than waiting until the filing scheduled date of September 20,
13 2001, FPL committed to file the supporting testimony on an expedited
14 basis prior to the end of August 2001. Therefore, FPL is submitting
15 this testimony early. Additionally, although the majority of the Fuel
16 and Capacity Schedules were already provided with the August 23,
17 2001 petition, for convenience, a complete set of these schedules is
18 included with this testimony.

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20 **Q. Have you prepared or caused to be prepared under your**
21 **direction, supervision or control an exhibit in this proceeding?**

22 A. Yes, I have. It consists of various schedules included in Appendices
23 II and III. Appendix II contains the FCR related schedules and
24 Appendix III contains the CCR related schedules.

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FCR Schedules A-1 through A-9 for January 2001 through August 2001 have been filed monthly with the Commission, are served on all parties and are incorporated herein by reference.

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Q. What is the source of the data that you will present by way of testimony or exhibits in this proceeding?

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A. Unless otherwise indicated, the actual data is taken from the books and records of FPL. The books and records are kept in the regular course of our business in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and practices and provisions of the Uniform System of Accounts as prescribed by this Commission.

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FUEL COST RECOVERY CLAUSE

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Q. What is the proposed levelized fuel factor for which the Company requests approval?

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A. 2.890¢ per kWh. Schedule E1, Page 3 of Appendix II shows the calculation of this twelve-month levelized fuel factor. Schedule E2, Pages 10 and 11 of Appendix II indicates the monthly fuel factors for January 2001 through December 2001 and also the twelve-month levelized fuel factor for the period.

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Q. Has the Company developed a twelve-month levelized fuel factor

1 **for its Time of Use rates?**

2 A. Yes. Schedule E1-D, Page 8 of Appendix II, provides a twelve-month
3 levelized fuel factor of 3.145¢ per kWh on-peak and 2.777¢ per kWh
4 off-peak for our Time of Use rate schedules.

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6 **Q. Were these calculations made in accordance with the**
7 **procedures previously approved in this Docket?**

8 A. Yes, they were.

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10 **Q. What is the true-up amount that FPL is requesting to be included**
11 **in the fuel factor for the January 2002 through December 2002**
12 **period?**

13 A. FPL is requesting to include a net true-up underrecovery of
14 \$245,208,621 in the fuel factor for the January 2002 through
15 December 2002 period.

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17 Pursuant to Commission Order No. PSC-00-2385-FOF-EI, FPL has
18 included an underrecovery of \$259, 002,688 in the fuel factor for the
19 period January 2002 through December 2002. The Commission
20 authorized recovery of the \$518,005,376 estimated/actual 2000 true-
21 up underrecovery over two years beginning in 2001. One-half of the
22 \$518,005,376 or \$259,002,688 was included in the fuel factor for
23 January through December 2001 and is currently being collected.
24 The remaining \$259,002,688 is included in the fuel factor for January

1 through December 2002.

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3 Additionally, FPL is requesting to include an overrecovery of
4 \$13,794,067 in the fuel factor for the period January 2002 through
5 December 2002. On August 20, 2001, FPL filed its Estimated/Actual
6 True-up, an overrecovery of \$151,894,067, for the period January
7 2001 through December 2001. This overrecovery was a result of
8 lower than projected costs of heavy oil and natural gas in the latter
9 part of 2001. Furthermore, FPL projects declining fuel prices for
10 2002. As a result, FPL filed a petition on August 23, 2001 to reduce
11 its fuel factors for the period October 2001 through December 2001
12 by \$138,100,000, in order to reduce customer bills as soon as
13 possible and hold bills level through 2002. The \$13,794,067
14 overrecovery which is being included in the fuel factors for the period
15 January 2002 through December 2002 is the remaining portion of the
16 Estimated/Actual true-up overrecovery of \$151,894,067 from the
17 period January 2001 through December 2001. This \$13,794,067
18 overrecovery, minus the \$259,002,688 underrecovery from 2000
19 results in the net true-up underrecovery of \$245,208,621 which FPL
20 is requesting to include in its fuel factor for January 2002 through
21 December 2002.

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23 **Q. What adjustments are included in the calculation of the twelve-**
24 **month levelized fuel factor shown on Schedule E1, Page 3 of**

1 **Appendix II?**

2 A. As shown on line 29 of Schedule E1, Page 3 of Appendix II, a
3 \$245,208,621 underrecovery is included. This amount is the result
4 of one-half of the estimated/actual fuel cost underrecovery of
5 \$259,002,688 for the January 2000 through December 2000 period,
6 plus the \$13,794,067 overrecovery carried forward from 2001. This
7 amount divided by the projected retail sales of 94,729,311 MWH for
8 January 2002 through December 2002 results in an increase of
9 0.2589¢ per kWh before applicable revenue taxes. In his testimony
10 for the Generating Performance Incentive Factor, FPL Witness Rene
11 Silva calculated a reward of \$9,004,713 for the period ending
12 December 2000 which is being applied to the January 2002 through
13 December 2002 period. This \$9,004,713 divided by the projected
14 retail sales of 94,729,311 MWH during the projected period results
15 in an increase of 0.0095¢ per kWh, as shown on line 33 of Schedule
16 E1, Page 3 of Appendix II.

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18 Additionally, pursuant to Order No. PSC 00-2385-FOF-EI, issued on
19 December 12, 2000, FPL is including the cost associated with the
20 Okeelanta/Osceola settlement agreement in its Fuel and Capacity
21 Cost Recovery calculations for the period January 2002 through
22 December 2002. The total amount of the settlement payment is
23 \$222.5 million, which will be recovered over a five-year period, using
24 a ratio of 21% of costs through Fuel and 79% of costs through

1 Capacity. For the period January through December 2002,
2 \$10,942,995 is included in the Fuel Cost Recovery Clause and
3 \$41,166,505 is included in the Capacity Cost Recovery Clause.
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5 **Q. In 1999, FPL requested to recover approximately \$5.0 million**
6 **through the fuel clause and approximately \$13 million**
7 **through the capacity clause regarding a contract dispute**
8 **with Cedar Bay. What is the status of this issue?**

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10 **A.** In testimony filed on October 1, 1999 in Docket No. 990001-EI, FPL
11 requested to recover approximately \$5.0 million through the fuel
12 clause and approximately \$13 million through the capacity clause for
13 Cedar Bay. This is a result of a Court's ruling of a contract dispute
14 with Cedar Bay regarding the pricing of energy provided by Cedar
15 Bay to FPL and the pricing of capacity based on the dispatch of the
16 Cedar Bay facility over the past few years. The amounts the Court
17 directed FPL to pay includes interest on the difference in the price
18 FPL paid and the price it should have paid pursuant to the Court
19 decision. In Order No. PSC-99-2512-FOF-EI, Docket No. 990001-
20 EI, issued on December 22, 1999, the Commission allowed FPL to
21 recover these costs through its fuel and capacity cost recovery
22 charges but stated:
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1 "FPL seeks to recover through the fuel clause energy payments
2 made to the Cedar Bay cogeneration facility as a result of a court's
3 interpretation of the energy pricing provisions of FPL's contract with
4 Cedar Bay. We believe that FPL's request raises a policy issue that
5 would more appropriately be decided by the full Commission in a
6 separate proceeding, rather than the three-Commissioner panel
7 assigned to this proceeding. The full Commission previously
8 considered the policy implications of related issues involving FPC
9 and Lake Cogen, Ltd. in other dockets, and should consider the
10 policy implications of this issue as well. We note that the majority
11 of these payments appear to be the type of costs that this
12 Commission would routinely allow to be recovered through the fuel
13 clause. We also note that these payments reflect a small percentage
14 of FPL's total fuel costs. Therefore, pending resolution of this issue
15 by the full Commission, we approve recovery of these payments as
16 proposed through FPL's fuel cost recovery factors. If the full
17 Commission determines that any portion of these payments should
18 not be recovered through the fuel clause, that portion shall be subject
19 to refund with interest". (The Commission restated this same decision
20 for the capacity portion of the payment).

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22 Since the Commission's decision, FPL appealed the judgements but
23 was unsuccessful. For example, after moving unsuccessfully for a
24 re-trial or to set aside or alter the judgment, FPL appealed the entire

1 judgment to the Florida First District Court of Appeal in October 1999.

2 On March 4, 2000, FPL, after determining that the success on the \$5
3 million Energy Payment claim was unlikely, dropped its appeal of that
4 claim and in April of 2000 paid that portion of the judgment to Cedar
5 Bay with statutory interest.

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7 On October 24, 2000 the Appellate Court heard oral argument on the
8 remaining Capacity claim and denied FPL's appeal without opinion by
9 order dated October 30, 2001. FPL timely moved for rehearing which
10 was denied in December 2000 and the Capacity Payment judgment
11 became final and non-appealable. FPL paid Cedar Bay the full
12 amount of the Capacity Payment judgment plus statutory interest on
13 January 19, 2001.

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15 After the Commission's decision in December of 1999, Docket No.
16 991780-EG was opened so that the full Commission could address
17 this fuel and capacity payment issue. Waiting on completion of the
18 appeals process, no schedule had been established in Docket No.
19 991780-EG. Since, all appeals have been exhausted and all
20 payments have been made, and since a change was made this past
21 year for the fuel panel to consist of the full Commission, FPL believes
22 it is appropriate to bring this issue to closure in the fuel docket.

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Q. Please describe Page 3 of Appendix III.

A. Page 3 of Appendix III provides a summary of the requested capacity payments for the projected period of January 2002 through December 2002. Total recoverable capacity payments amount to \$573,968,082 (line 15) and include payments of \$273,617,298 to non-cogenerators (line 1). This \$273,617,298 includes \$76.7 million for additional capacity contracts as described in the testimony of FPL witness Gerry Yupp. Total recoverable Capacity payments (line 15) also include payments of \$337,969,830 to cogenerators (line 2), \$3,353,202 of Mission Settlement payments (line 3), \$41,166,505 of Okeelanta/Osceola Settlement payments (line 4), and \$3,623,340 relating to the St. John's River Power Park (SJRPP) Energy Suspension Accrual (line 6). This amount is offset by transmission revenues from capacity sales of \$6,909,530 (line 5), \$2,507,148 of return requirements on Energy Suspension payments (line 7) and \$56,945,592 of jurisdictional capacity related payments included in base rates (line 11) less a net overrecovery of \$22,152,857 (line 12). The net overrecovery of \$22,152,587 includes the final underrecovery of \$2,850,420 for the January 2000 through December 2000 period that was filed with the Commission on April 2, 2001, plus the estimated/actual overrecovery of \$25,003,277 for the January 2001 through December 2001 period, which was filed with the

1 Commission on August 20, 2001.

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3 **Q. Please describe Page 4 of Appendix III.**

4 A. Page 4 of Appendix III calculates the allocation factors for demand
5 and energy at generation. The demand allocation factors are
6 calculated by determining the percentage each rate class contributes
7 to the monthly system peaks. The energy allocators are calculated
8 by determining the percentage each rate contributes to total kWh
9 sales, as adjusted for losses, for each rate class.

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11 **Q. Please describe Page 5 of Appendix III.**

12 A. Page 5 of Appendix III presents the calculation of the proposed
13 Capacity Payment Recovery Clause (CCR) factors by rate class.

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15 **Q. What effective date is the Company requesting for the new
16 factors?**

17 A. The Company is requesting that the new FCR and CCR factors
18 become effective with customer bills for January 2001 through
19 December 2001. This will provide for 12 months of billing on the FCR
20 and CCR factors for all our customers.

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22 **Q. What will be the charge for a Residential customer using 1,000
23 kWh effective January 2001?**

24 A. The total residential bill, excluding taxes and franchise fees, for 1,000

1 kWh will be \$81.66. The base bill for 1,000 Residential kWh is
2 \$43.26, the fuel cost recovery charge from Schedule E1-E, Page 9 of
3 Appendix II for a residential customer is \$28.96, the Conservation
4 charge is \$1.81, the Capacity Cost Recovery charge is \$6.80, the
5 Environmental Cost Recovery charge is \$0.00 and the Gross
6 Receipts Tax is \$.83. A Residential Bill Comparison (1,000 kWh) is
7 presented in Schedule E10, Page 65 of Appendix II.

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9 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony.**

10 **A. Yes, it does.**

1 **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

2 **FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY**

3 **SUPPLEMENTAL TESTIMONY OF KOREL M. DUBIN**

4 **DOCKET NO. 010001-EI**

5 **September 20, 2001**

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7 **Q. Please state your name and address.**

8 A. My name is Korel M. Dubin and my business address is 9250 West
9 Flagler Street, Miami, Florida 33174.

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11 **Q. By whom are you employed and in what capacity?**

12 A. I am employed by Florida Power & Light Company (FPL) as Manager
13 of Regulatory Issues in the Regulatory Affairs Department.

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15 **Q. Have you previously testified in this docket?**

16 A. Yes, I have.

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18 **Q. What is the purpose of your supplemental testimony?**

19 A. The purpose of my supplemental testimony is to address generic and
20 company-specific fuel adjustment issues identified in the revised
21 Procedural Order PSC-01-1829-PCO-EI, issued on September 11,
22 2001 which were not addressed in my testimony filed on August 31,
23 2001.

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1 **Q. What is the appropriate estimated benchmark level for calendar**
 2 **year 2002 for gains on non-separated wholesale energy sales**
 3 **eligible for a shareholder incentive as set forth by Order No.**
 4 **PSC-00-1744-PAA-EI, in Docket No. 991779-EI, issued September**
 5 **26, 2000, for each investor-owned electric utility?**

6 A. For the forecast year 2002, the three year average threshold consists
 7 of actual gains for 1999, 2000 and January through July 2001, and
 8 estimates for August through December 2001 (see below). Gains on
 9 sales in 2002 are to be measured against this three year average
 10 threshold, after it has been adjusted with the true up filing (scheduled
 11 to be filed in April 2002) to include all actual data for the year 2001.

12	1999	\$59,183,161
13	2000	\$37,400,076
14	2001	\$17,026,999
15	Average threshold	\$37,870,079

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 17 This average threshold is calculated using the methodology proposed
 18 by Staff in their memorandum dated September 20, 2000.

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 20 **Q. What is the appropriate regulatory treatment for capital projects**
 21 **with an in-service date on or after January 1, 2002, that are**
 22 **expected to reduce long-term fuel costs?**

23 A. The appropriate regulatory treatment for capital projects that are
 24 expected to reduce fuel costs is the treatment prescribed by the

1 Commission in Order No. 14546 in Docket No. 850001-EI-B where
2 the Commission listed the types of costs that are recoverable through
3 the Fuel Cost Recovery Clause. Item No. 10 in the Order states:

4 "10. Fossil fuel-related costs normally recovered through
5 base rates but which were not recognized or anticipated in the
6 cost levels used to determine current base rates and which,
7 if expended, will result in fuel savings to customers. Recovery
8 of such costs should be made on a case by case basis after
9 Commission approval."

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11 **Q. What is the appropriate rate of return on the unamortized**
12 **balance of capital projects with an in-service date on or after**
13 **January 1, 2002, that are expected to reduce long term fuel**
14 **costs?**

15 A. Consistent with Commission practice, the return on the unamortized
16 balance of capital projects should be computed using capital ratios
17 and cost rates approved in the Company's last rate proceeding.

18

19 **Q. If an investor-owned electric utility exceeds the ceiling on its**
20 **authorized return on common equity, can and/or should the**
21 **Commission reduce by a commensurate amount recovery of**
22 **prudently incurred expenditures through the Commission's fuel**
23 **and purchased power cost recovery clause?**

24 A. No. It appears that this issue raises a legal question as well as a

1 policy question. My testimony does not comment on the legal
2 question. However, from a policy standpoint, the Fuel Cost Recovery
3 Clause is designed for a specific purpose. It is an adjustment to
4 reflect changes in fuel - a large and highly volatile expense item. The
5 objective of the Fuel Cost Recovery Clause is to keep the utility
6 financially whole and to provide proper price signals to customers.

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8 **Q. Is FPL's aerial survey method of its coal inventory at Plant**
9 **Scherer as stated in Audit Disclosure No. 1 of Audit Control No.**
10 **01-053-4-1 consistent with the method set forth in Order No.**
11 **PSC-97-0359-FOF-EI, in Docket No. 970001-EI, issued March 31,**
12 **1997?**

13 A. No. Plant Scherer is located in Georgia and although the accounting
14 procedures recognized by the Georgia Public Service Commission
15 are similar to those stated in Order No. PSC-97-0359-FOF-EI, there
16 are some differences. However, these differences have very little
17 impact on the resulting coal inventory adjustments booked.

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19 The Order states that the quantity of coal is to be adjusted at a
20 weighted average cost using the most recent six months inventory
21 data. For Scherer, the cost used is a weighted average unit cost for
22 the month prior to the survey. The two methods provide similar
23 results and over time tend to "wash". For example, from January
24 2000 through July 2001, the net difference between the two methods

1 is (\$239).

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3 Additionally, the accounting procedures differ because Georgia
4 requires more aerial surveys than does Order No. PSC-97-0359-
5 FOF-EI. For Scherer, aerial surveys are performed four times a year
6 rather than two. Performing these surveys more frequently has no
7 significant impact on the coal inventory adjustments booked. For
8 example, when changing the frequency of aerial surveys from
9 quarterly to semi-annually for St. John River Power Park (SJRPP),
10 the Commission Staff analyzed a two year test period and came to
11 this conclusion. In Order No. PSC-95-1089-FOF-EI dated September
12 5, 1995 the Commission stated:

13 "We approve the parties' agreement to permanently change
14 the frequency of aerial coal inventory surveys from quarterly
15 to semi-annually. In Order Number PSC-93-0443-FOF-EI, we
16 approved a change in the frequency of aerial coal inventory
17 surveys from quarterly to semi-annually for a two year test
18 period. We directed our staff to review the impact of less
19 frequent surveys on inventory adjustments upon completion
20 of this test period. Staff's analysis showed that performing
21 aerial coal inventory surveys semi-annually as opposed to
22 quarterly has had no significant impact on the coal inventory
23 adjustments booked..."

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- 1 **Q. What is the appropriate regulatory treatment for sales of natural**
2 **gas and transportation capacity made by FPL to an affiliated or**
3 **unaffiliated company?**
- 4 A. When FPL's customers support the investment (i.e. pipeline capacity)
5 used to make the sale, the revenues from these sales are flowed
6 back to the retail customer through the Fuel Cost Recovery Clause.
7 FPL believes this is appropriate. There is no distinction made
8 between a sale made to an affiliated company versus a sale made to
9 an unaffiliated company. The sale of natural gas and transportation
10 capacity made by FPL to an affiliated company or an unaffiliated
11 company is treated the same.
12
- 13 **Q. How should FPL allocate the costs associated with its sales**
14 **of natural gas to Florida Power and Light Energy Services?**
- 15 A. The costs of the sale of natural gas to Florida Power & Light Energy
16 Services as well as the sale of gas to unaffiliated companies is
17 recovered through the price for the sale of that gas. Thus, all costs
18 of the sale are allocated to the sales price.
19
- 20 **Q. What is the appropriate regulatory treatment of Florida Power**
21 **and Light Energy Services' revenues and costs made to**
22 **customers within FPL's service area?**
- 23 A. When Florida Power & Light Energy Services makes a sale within
24 FPL's service area, the revenues and costs are included in FPL's

1 base rate operations and reflected in the monthly surveillance report.

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3 **Q. What is the appropriate regulatory treatment of Florida Power**
4 **and Light Energy Services' revenues and costs made to**
5 **customers outside of FPL's service area?**

6 A. When Florida Power & Light Energy Services makes a sale outside
7 FPL's service area, these transactions are accounted for as a non-
8 utility operation.

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10 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony.**

11 A. Yes, it does.

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY

SUPPLEMENTAL TESTIMONY OF J. R. HARTZOG

DOCKET NO. 010001 - EI

NOVEMBER 5, 2001

1 Q. Please state your name and address.

2 A. My name is John R. Hartzog. My business address is
3 700 Universe Boulevard, Juno Beach, Florida 33408.

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5 Q. By whom are you employed and what is your
6 position?

7 A. I am employed by Florida Power & Light Company
8 (FPL) as Manager, Nuclear Financial & Information
9 Services in the Nuclear Business Unit.

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11 Q. Have you previously filed testimony in this
12 docket?

13 A. Yes.

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15 Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?

16 A. The purpose of my testimony is to present and
17 explain FPL's incremental security costs

1 associated with the events of September 11, 2001
2 to be included in the proposed fuel cost recovery
3 factors. The recovery of these costs is discussed
4 in the supplemental Testimony of FPL witness K. M.
5 Dubin.

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7 **Q. What is the basis for the additional security**
8 **costs?**

9 A. FPL's nuclear plants rely on a "defense in depth"
10 approach to security. Essentially, multiple
11 barriers of increasing restrictions for access to
12 plant components and systems are utilized.
13 Historically, FPL has had a highly effective
14 security program as demonstrated by Nuclear
15 Regulatory Commission "force on force" inspections
16 utilizing military Special Forces as mock
17 adversaries. Both Turkey Point and St. Lucie
18 successfully passed such inspections within the
19 last few years. As a result of the September 11th
20 events, FPL has deepened the security defense in
21 depth, requiring additional manpower. This is
22 consistent with new expectations regarding nuclear
23 plant security and NRC Advisories. FPL is in

1 frequent contact with the NRC, and NRC
2 recommendations are implemented as made. The
3 incremental cost of this additional manpower is
4 being captured in accounts established for that
5 purpose. In the past, FPL's fossil units have had
6 security based on fences, gates and limited
7 personnel access. In light of the events of
8 September 11, 2001 especially at Turkey Point and
9 its close proximity to the nuclear units, FPL has
10 also enhanced the security at selected fossil
11 units.

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13 **Q. How much are the incremental security costs in**
14 **response to the September 11, 2001 events?**

15 A. FPL expects to expend approximately \$1.5 Million
16 for additional security at its nuclear facilities,
17 and \$300,000 at its fossil facilities in 2002.
18 There are significant uncertainties in these
19 costs, since it is vital that FPL respond to
20 changing threat levels in a proactive manner. In
21 addition, various assistance levels from
22 governmental organizations will be required,
23 including, as a minimum, local law enforcement and

1 the Florida National Guard. FPL anticipates that
2 some of these governmental organizations will seek
3 reimbursement of associated costs for providing
4 assistance.

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6 Q. Does this conclude your testimony?

7 A. Yes, it does.

1 J. R. HARTZOG

2 resumed the stand as a witness on behalf of Florida Power and
3 Light Company and, having been previously sworn, testified as
4 follows:

5 DIRECT EXAMINATION

6 BY MR. CHILDS:

7 Q All right. I think where we were was Mr. Hartzog's
8 testimony had been admitted into the record as though read, and
9 at this point, I'd like to ask, Mr. Hartzog, if you'd summarize
10 your testimony.

11 A My supplemental presents the incremental power plant
12 security costs associated with the events of September 11th to
13 be included in the fuel recovery factors. The additional
14 security costs are driven primarily by the Nuclear Regulatory
15 Commission advisories which have established the highest
16 level of security at nuclear facilities that have ever
17 existed.

18 Florida Power & Light has an obligation to safeguard
19 the health and safety of the public, the safeguard and security
20 of our employees, and to protect our assets. Florida Power &
21 Light is taking and will continue to take all necessary and
22 prudent precautions to do so.

23 In addition, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission
24 reviews our security plans and their implementation. The
25 failure to adequately protect our nuclear units in light of

1 continued concerns over terrorist activity could have severe
2 consequences, including unit shutdowns. The incremental
3 security costs associated with nuclear security projected for
4 2002 is \$1.56 million.

5 In addition, our fossil units, primarily the Turkey
6 Point fossil units, due to their proximity to the Turkey Point
7 nuclear units are projected to incur approximately \$300,000 of
8 additional cost. The details of security measures taken
9 particularly at the nuclear units are not appropriate to be
10 discussed, primarily because such disclosure of such details
11 would weaken the effectiveness of the security measures, and in
12 fact, many of these details are protected from disclosure to
13 the public by the Code of Federal Regulations.

14 It should be noted that the security precautions
15 taken are changing, and have changed frequently, and will
16 continue to change in light of the circumstances and the
17 changes in Nuclear Regulatory Commission requirements. That
18 concludes my summary.

19 MR. CHILDS: We tender Mr. Hartzog.

20 MR. VANDIVER: No questions.

21 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Any questions, Mr. McWhirter or
22 Ms. Kaufman?

23 CROSS EXAMINATION

24 BY MR. McWHIRTER:

25 Q Mr. Hartzog, can you give us any indication about the

1 magnitude of the change in cost, a million-seven? Currently,
2 what do you project it will be --

3 A That's slightly less than 20 percent of our --

4 Q Twenty percent more?

5 A Twenty percent more.

6 Q And this is -- Florida Power & Light collects about
7 \$6 billion a year in revenue?

8 A I believe that's correct.

9 MR. McWHIRTER: I have no further questions.

10 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Staff.

11 MR. KEATING: No questions.

12 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Commissioners.

13 I will ask you the same question I asked the prior
14 witness. Without disclosing any of the details, are you
15 undertaking some analysis of what the relative risk aversion
16 quotient would be for your company?

17 THE WITNESS: Our approach is to work with state,
18 local, and federal officials to determine the threats and based
19 on the threats and the credibility of threats to determine what
20 additional precautions need to be taken. Clearly, there is a
21 trade-off, as you've stated, about the relative risk versus the
22 costs associated with precautions, and that is being considered
23 at all levels.

24 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: And this is all consistent with
25 your prior practices and efforts at emergency preparation and

1 disaster?

2 THE WITNESS: Yes, sir, it is.

3 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Very well. No further questions.
4 Redirect.

5 MR. CHILDS: I have none.

6 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: And we would move -- let's see. We
7 didn't move all of these exhibits in, did we? If you'd asked
8 for them to be moved? Let me just be clear on the record
9 now.

10 MR. CHILDS: I beg your pardon?

11 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: I was so busy writing down, I'm not
12 sure if I officially moved the exhibits in the record.

13 MR. CHILDS: I don't know, but if it's okay, I might
14 just wait until I get finished with all the witnesses and move
15 all the FPL exhibits at that time.

16 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: That's fine. That will work.
17 Thank you. You're excused, Mr. Hartzog.
18 (Witness excused.)

19 MR. CHILDS: And I'd like to call as our next
20 witness, Dr. Green.

21 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Ms. Dubin, I believe.

22 MR. CHILDS: I'd like to take Ms. Dubin last, if
23 that's okay, because she kind of sums up --

24 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: If that's fine with the parties,
25 that's fine.

1 LEONARDO E. GREEN

2 was called as a witness on behalf of Florida Power & Light and,
3 having been duly sworn, testified as follows:

4 DIRECT EXAMINATION

5 BY MR. CHILDS:

6 Q Would you state your name and address, please.

7 A My name is Leonardo Green. I work for Florida Power
8 & Light. The address is 9250 West Flagler, Miami, Florida
9 33174.

10 Q And what is your position with Florida Power & Light?

11 A I'm the manager for load forecasting in the resource
12 assessment and planning business unit.

13 Q Do you have before you a document entitled,

14 "Testimony of L. E. Green, Docket Numbers 010001-EI and
15 010002-EI, November 5, 2001"?

16 A Yes.

17 Q And that was prepared by you as your supplemental
18 testimony?

19 A Yes.

20 Q Do you have any changes to make to that testimony?

21 A No changes.

22 Q And I believe that the document you are sponsoring
23 has been marked for identification as Exhibit 26. Do you adopt
24 this as your testimony?

25 A Yes, I do.

1 MR. CHILDS: And we ask that the supplemental
2 testimony of Dr. Green be inserted into the record as though
3 read.

4 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Without objection, show the
5 supplemental testimony of Dr. Green is entered into the record
6 as though read.

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1 **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

2 **FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY**

3 **TESTIMONY OF L. E. GREEN**

4 **DOCKET NOS. 010001-EI, 010002-EI**

5 **NOVEMBER 5, 2001**

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8 **Q. Please state your name and address.**

9 A. My name is Leonardo E. Green. My business address is 9250 West Flagler
10 Street, Miami, Florida 33174.

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12 **Q. By whom are you employed and what is your position?**

13 A. I am employed by Florida Power & Light Company (FPL) as a Load Forecast
14 Manager, in the Resource Assessment and Planning Business Unit.

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16 **Q. Have you previously testified in this docket?**

17 A. No, I have not.

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19 **Q. Please state your education and business experience.**

20 A. I received a Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Economics from the University of
21 Missouri-Columbia, Missouri, in 1983. I joined FPL in April of 1986 and in July
22 of 1991, I became Manager of Load Forecasting within the Resource Assessment
23 and Planning Business Unit. I am responsible for coordinating the entire

1 economics and load forecasting effort for FPL. Prior to joining FPL, I worked
2 for Seminole Electric Cooperative as the Load Forecasting Supervisor in the
3 Rates and Corporate Planning Department. I have held several Assistant
4 Professorships of Economics and Statistics research and teaching positions with
5 the University of Missouri, Florida International University, NOVA University,
6 and the University of South Florida.

7
8 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

9 **A.** The purpose of my testimony is to present and explain revisions to FPL's load
10 forecasts due to the events of September 11, 2001. The revised load forecast was
11 an input to POWERSYM, a model used to calculate the fuel budget for the period
12 January 2002 through December 2002.

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14 **Q. Have you prepared an exhibit in this proceeding?**

15 **A.** Yes. I am sponsoring Exhibit ____ (LEG-1) which consists of four documents
16 included in Appendix I.

17
18 **Q. What is the outlook for the national economy for the rest of 2001 and for
19 2002?**

20 **A.** At the beginning of October, Data Resources Inc. of Standard and Poors (DRI-
21 WEFA) stated that prior to September 11, 2001 the national economy was already
22 in a downward slide, but the terrorist attack will probably cause the tumble to
23 accelerate, likely pushing the U.S. economy into a recession. In its most recent

1 U.S. Economic Review of October 2001, DRI-WEFA pronounced, "It no longer
2 seems possible for the U.S. economy to escape a recession...the question of
3 whether the U.S. economy escapes a recession appears to have been settled by the
4 September 11 terrorist attacks." DRI-WEFA now expects both the third and
5 fourth quarters of 2001 to register declines in Gross Domestic Product (GDP), a
6 measure of total domestic output, and they project only a 1% real overall growth
7 for the entire year. Their forecast of a decline in third quarter GDP has recently
8 been proved correct with the announcement of a 0.4% decline for the quarter.
9 Their outlook for year 2002 has the economy growing at a real rate of 1.3 %,
10 starting out weak and then picking up strength in the latter part of the year in
11 response primarily to federal programs stimulus. Prior to September 11, 2001 the
12 forecasted real growth in GDP for 2001 was 1.6 % and 2.6 % for 2002.

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14 **Q. Will Florida's economy be impacted by the national economy?**

15 A. Yes. The terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001 strike at the heart of the state's
16 economy. The combined effects of the slowing US economy and the perceived
17 risks of air travel will adversely affect Florida's economy. DRI-WEFA expects
18 international visitation to Florida from September to December of this year to be
19 50% lower than the same period last year, a result of the weakening global
20 economy and security fears. Domestic travel is also forecasted to be 30% less
21 than the same period last year, as fewer Americans will be willing to travel in the
22 coming months, both because of anxiety about flying and because of concern
23 about employment security and declining income.

1 The revision to the forecast for Florida made by DRI-WEFA shows that the
2 annual nominal growth rate in gross state product (GSP), the total output of the
3 state, will be lower in 2002 by approximately \$3.8 billion, or a loss of about 0.5%
4 of the total GSP.

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6 Florida state revenue forecasters apparently share this view of Florida's economy
7 in 2002. They have estimated that the state's tax revenue will be \$1.3 billion less
8 than the originally estimated \$50 billion. Announced job cuts, the number of lay-
9 offs, the rise in the number of unemployment claims, low hotel occupancy rates,
10 and the reduced number of flights and tourist visitors are further evidence of the
11 contraction in the Florida's economy.

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13 **Q. Will FPL's service territory experience a similar downturn in economy as the**
14 **rest of the state?**

15 A. In all probability, it will be more severe than the state's downturn. It has been
16 observed historically that the three largest counties in FPL service territory have
17 experienced a larger impact of economic slowdowns relative to other major
18 counties in the state. For example, in past recessions unemployment rates have
19 been higher in Miami-Dade, Broward and Palm Beach Counties compared to
20 Duval, Hillsborough and Pinellas Counties, as shown in Appendix I, Page 1 of 4.
21 In addition, per capita income, another key economic indicator, has also declined
22 significantly during recessions in the counties served by FPL relative to other
23 Florida counties as shown in Appendix I, Page 2 of 4. Therefore, I believe that

1 this recent slowdown will have a greater impact on FPL's service territory relative
2 to non- FPL service areas.

3
4 **Q. Is the projected economic slowdown the basis for the revision to the FPL**
5 **sales forecast?**

6 A. Yes. The expected and actual effects of the attacks of September 11, 2001 are
7 compelling enough to warrant a revision to the near term outlook of the state's
8 economy and the corresponding impact on the demand for electricity. The
9 original sales forecast used for the fuel, capacity and conservation clause filings in
10 August and September of 2001 was produced under the assumption that Florida's
11 economy was experiencing a mild slowdown in the year 2001, but then it would
12 rebound with good economic growth in the year 2002. Prior to September 11,
13 Florida had been spared the worst of the national economic slowdown. Its lesser
14 reliance on manufacturing, higher reliance on tourism and a somewhat greater
15 reliance on international markets cushioned the effects of a weakening U.S.
16 economy. Even though Florida's employment growth had slowed, it was still
17 fairly strong compared to the rest of the nation, and Florida boasted of a low
18 unemployment rate of 4.2%.

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20 The economic outlook has changed significantly since September 11, 2001. From
21 an auspicious position, Florida's economy has become more vulnerable because
22 the most impacted industries are relatively more vital to the Florida economy than
23 most other states. These heavily impacted industries are tourism, air travel,

1 merchandise trade, airline services, and the cruise industry. Of course, the
2 downturn in these industries will have spillover employment and income effects
3 on the rest of sectors that encompass the Florida economy.

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5 **Q. How does an economic recession affect the usage of electricity?**

6 **A.** The growth in usage of electricity comes from the overall growth in per capita use
7 of electricity by all customers and the growth in the number of new customers.
8 Both per capita usage of electricity and growth of new customers are linked
9 directly to the performance of the local and national economy. When the
10 economy is booming, usage of electricity is up in all sectors: residential,
11 commercial, industrial and others. Furthermore, if the economy is strong there
12 will be new jobs that attract new customers, new households develop, and retirees
13 coming from other states increase in numbers. The reverse also holds, if the
14 economy is performing poorly, customers are more apprehensive as to how their
15 reduced income is spent, restricting their level of consumption of goods and
16 services. Electricity demand and sales begin to slacken when income falls. Job
17 contractions reduce the number of new customers coming to the state seeking
18 employment opportunities. New household formations are postponed.

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20 Appendix I, Page 3 of 4 shows the effect of the last three national recessions on
21 Florida's Per Capita Income, the customer growth in FPL's service territory, and
22 the changes in electricity use per customer. The recession years are highlighted
23 and they correspond to the years of 1974-1975, 1982, and 1990-1992. In all three

1 recessions, Florida's Real Per Capita Income growth and growth in electricity use
2 per customer in FPL's service area are negative. This data supports my earlier
3 observation that as customers' personal incomes decline, the use of electricity per
4 customer also declines. This does not imply that growth in total use of electricity
5 will decline, since there is still growth in customers, even in recession years. In
6 Appendix I, Page 3 of 4, it can also be seen that with each recession year, the
7 absolute growth in the number of customers drops significantly from the year
8 prior to the recession to the year following the recession. The smaller growth in
9 the number of customers results in a lower growth in sales of electricity than
10 would be expected if there was no contraction in the economy.

11
12 **Q. What is the impact of a recession on FPL's outlook on electricity sales?**

13 A. Appendix I, Page 4 of 4 shows FPL's revisions in the level of projected sales and
14 customers for 2001 and 2002. FPL produced a new outlook for energy sales by
15 changing the economic assumptions utilized in its forecasting models. FPL made
16 use of the more recent economic outlook for the State of Florida produced by
17 DRI-WEFA that incorporated the revision resulting from the events of September
18 11. The new projected use of electricity per customer was slightly higher than the
19 2001 estimated value, but it was 2.5 % lower than the forecast produced with
20 economic assumptions prior to September 11. So even DRI-WEFA's economic
21 forecast resulting in slightly higher per customer usage appears conservative
22 given the actual declines in usage experienced in prior recessions.

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1 Customer growth outlook has changed from 85,643 to 65,000 new customers in
2 2002. The recession outlook has resulted in a reduction in forecasted growth of
3 approximately 20,000 less new customers in 2002. In order to forecast customer
4 growth, FPL models depend on population projections obtained from the Bureau
5 of Economic and Business Research of the University of Florida (BEBR).
6 However, BEBR has not updated the population projections as a result of the
7 terrorist attacks of September 11. Therefore, FPL's projection of customer
8 growth is based upon growth in customers during prior recessions.

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10 The decline in the growth of the number of customers from the year prior to a
11 recession to the year following a recession can be seen on Appendix I, Page 3 of
12 4. In the three recessions since 1972, FPL has seen a significant decline in the
13 growth of customers from the year prior to the recession to the year following the
14 recession. In the 1974/75 recession, FPL experienced a decline in the growth of
15 customers of almost 64 thousand (1973 versus 1976). In the 1982 recession, FPL
16 experienced a decline in the growth of customers of roughly 29 thousand (1981
17 versus 1983). In the 1990/91/92 recession, FPL experienced a decline in the
18 growth of customers of approximately 36 thousand (1989 versus 1993). A simple
19 average of the decline in growth from those three prior recessions would suggests
20 that FPL might anticipate a reduction in the growth of customers due to recession
21 of 43 thousand. However, two of those three recessions were longer term, and
22 this recession is forecast to be relatively shorter. In addition, assuming a
23 customer growth reduction of 43,000 would have reduced FPL's customer growth

1 to 49,000, a lower level than FPL has experienced in any year since 1972,
2 including the low year of growth in 1992 following Hurricane Andrew. So, it was
3 considered prudent to take a more conservative approach. FPL projected that it
4 would lose approximately 27,000 customers from the year prior to the recession
5 (2000) to the year following the recession (2002). This is close to but lower than
6 the decline in customer growth experienced during the 1982 recession, and it
7 leaves 2002 customer growth at 65,000 customers, which is about the average
8 new customer growth seen for most of the decade of the 1990s.

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10 The combination of the revised use per customer multiplied by the new projection
11 of customers results in a projected level of sales of 100,158 gWh in 2002, a 1.7 %
12 growth over 2001 as shown on Page 4 of Appendix I. This level of sales is 2.9%
13 lower than the forecast used in the fuel, capacity, and conservation clause filings
14 in August and September of 2001.

15
16 **Q. Please summarize your testimony.**

17 A. The change in Florida's economic look for 2002, brought on by the events of
18 September 11, 2001, warrants a revision to FPL's sales forecast. The
19 performance of Florida's economy determines electricity usage per customer and
20 the level of customer growth. The growth of both of these factors is forecast to
21 decline from the levels forecast prior to September 11, 2001, resulting in lower
22 forecast electricity sales in FPL's service territory. The revision in the sales and
23 customer forecast is in line with but more conservative than the observed

1 outcomes from previous recessions. FPL's revised sales forecast is well founded
2 and reasonable. Furthermore, it is consistent with the most recent projections by
3 the State of Florida legislative revenue estimating conference.

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5 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

6 **A.** Yes, it does.

1 MR. CHILDS: Before I ask him to summarize his
2 testimony, I would like leave to ask him one or two additional
3 questions orally based upon current events.

4 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Very well.

5 BY MR. CHILDS:

6 Q Dr. Green, can you give us some indication of what
7 the load has been experienced by FPL after September 11th of
8 this year?

9 A Yes. Through August, the projection of FPL sales for
10 this year was 3.9 percent. Through August, we were right on
11 the money, maybe .1, .2 variance. In September of this year,
12 our sales were off by 2.4 percent. In October of this year,
13 our sales were off by 4 percent. Month to date, in November
14 our sales are off by 6.2 percent.

15 Q All right. Now, would you summarize your prefiled
16 testimony?

17 A The purpose of my testimony is to present and explain
18 the revisions to FPL's load forecasts, and this is due
19 primarily to the events of September 11, 2001. We believe that
20 the effects of the attacks of September 11 are complete enough
21 to warrant a revision to our sales forecasts for next year.
22 The original sales forecast used for fuel, capacity, and
23 conservation clause filings that were done in August and
24 September of this year were made under the assumption that this
25 year we would observe a mild slowdown, and then we would have

1 good economic growth in the year 2002. This has changed
2 significantly since September 11.

3 It is now a consensus among all forecasting units in
4 the United States -- I'm talking of Standard and Poor's,
5 DRI-WEFA, the National Association of Business Economies, the
6 Blue Chip Consensus Financial Forecast, the Manufacturers
7 Alliance Forecast -- that the U.S. economy has now entered into
8 a recession. The recession is projected to and was observed to
9 be a negative .4 percent growth for the third quarter of this
10 year, and it is estimated that when this number is revised
11 later on, this negative .4 percent might actually be a negative
12 1 percent. And then we're expecting another quarter of
13 negative growth and very sluggish growth at the beginning of
14 next year. Sometime in the latter part of next year, we're
15 expecting the economy to recover.

16 In the last three recessions, and I'm talking of
17 1974, '75, 1982 and 1990, 1991 and 1992, Florida's real per
18 capita income went negative in every single one of those
19 recessions. The implication that we're making is that as per
20 capita income goes negative, use per customer goes negative.
21 And in the exhibits that I have prepared, on Page 3 it shows
22 that for every single recession, per capita income went
23 negative. Also, in each one of those three recessions every
24 time per capita income went negative, the use per customer of
25 electricity also went negative.

1 Likewise, in that same exhibit, it shows that if we
2 compared the year prior to the recession with the year after
3 the recession, the growth in customer falls by the average of
4 46,000 new customers. Based on this information and based on
5 the most recent economic outlook that we have received from
6 DRI-WEFA, we have revised our level of sales for 2002, and the
7 revision is substantial. Originally, we were projecting to
8 grow by 3.5 percent in the year 2002. It has been revised down
9 to 1.6 percent, a 2.9, almost a 3 percent reduction in growth
10 of sales for next year. Whereas, customers traditionally have
11 fallen by 46,000 customers on the average, we have opted to
12 lower our projection of growth in customers for next year by
13 about 20,000 customers. What we believe is that we have a
14 forecast that is still yet conservative, meaning to say that it
15 still could be worse than what we have projected here.

16 We have used DRI economic forecasts, which is the
17 same one the state legislature has used in estimating their tax
18 budget. And I should mention here that they have revised their
19 tax revenue for next year down by \$1.3 billion from their
20 original \$50 billion that they were estimating prior to the
21 September 11 event.

22 In my exhibit, also, Pages 1 and 2, I'd like to call
23 your attention as to how we see FPL's service territory being
24 affected vis-a-vis the rest of the state. I have highlighted
25 in red boxes the unemployment rate that Florida's -- first, I'm

1 showing the unemployment rates for the last recessions that
2 have occurred in the major counties in Florida. In every
3 recession, FPL's service territory's unemployment rate is worse
4 than the state's average. If we compare the major counties
5 like, for example, Miami-Dade, West Palm Beach, and Broward,
6 the unemployment rate is much higher than the average.
7 Whereas, if you compare, for example, Duval, Hillsborough,
8 Pinellas, their average unemployment rate is below the state's
9 average. So we believe it is highly likely, it's highly
10 probable that FPL's service territory will be more adversely
11 affected than the rest of the state.

12 On Page 2, I show the same information for per capita
13 income, and my statement also holds with regard to per capita
14 income. That concludes my summary.

15 MR. CHILDS: We tender the witness.

16 MR. VANDIVER: No questions.

17 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Mr. McWhirter.

18 MR. McWHIRTER: No questions.

19 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Staff.

20 MR. KEATING: Staff has no questions.

21 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Commissioners.

22 COMMISSIONER DEASON: I guess I have a question. I
23 understand the focus of your testimony is the revisions to
24 sales forecasts as a result of the economic downturn which was
25 primarily driven by the unforeseen events which happened on

1 September the 11th. I guess my question is, with the revised
2 sales forecast, do we also have revised fuel costs as a result
3 of that reduced consumption?

4 THE WITNESS: For my forecasts, we did not revise the
5 fuel forecasts. The questions regarding fuel forecasts should
6 be addressed to the following witness, but on my forecast, we
7 did not adjust prices when preparing the --

8 COMMISSIONER DEASON: That's outside of your area?

9 THE WITNESS: That's out of my area.

10 COMMISSIONER DEASON: Okay. Thank you.

11 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Redirect.

12 MR. CHILDS: We call Ms. Dubin.

13 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: No redirect.

14 MR. CHILDS: I have no redirect.

15 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Thank you. You're excused,
16 Mr. Green.

17 THE WITNESS: Thank you.

18 (Witness excused.)

19 KOREL M. DUBIN

20 was called as a witness on behalf of Florida Power & Light and,
21 having been duly sworn, testified as follows:

22 DIRECT EXAMINATION

23 BY MR. CHILDS:

24 Q Would you state your name and address?

25 A My name is Korel Dubin. My address is Florida Power

1 & Light Company, 9250 West Flagler Street, Miami, Florida
2 33174.

3 Q By whom are you employed and in what capacity?

4 A I'm employed by Florida Power & Light Company as
5 manager of regulatory issues in the regulatory affairs
6 department.

7 Q Do you have before you a document entitled,
8 "Supplemental Testimony of Korel M. Dubin, Docket Number
9 010001-EI, November 5, 2001"?

10 A Yes, I do.

11 Q Was that prepared by you as your supplemental
12 testimony for this proceeding?

13 A Yes.

14 Q And the documents you are sponsoring has already been
15 marked as Exhibit 25. Do you have any changes or corrections
16 to make to your testimony?

17 A No, I do not.

18 Q Do you adopt it as your testimony?

19 A Yes, I do.

20 MR. CHILDS: We ask that the supplemental testimony
21 of Ms. Dubin be inserted into the record as though read.

22 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Without objection, show the
23 supplemental testimony is entered into the record as though
24 read.

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1 **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

2 **FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY**

3 **SUPPLEMENTAL TESTIMONY OF KOREL M. DUBIN**

4 **DOCKET NO. 010001-EI**

5 **November 5, 2001**

6

7 **Q. Please state your name and address.**

8 A. My name is Korel M. Dubin and my business address is 9250 West
9 Flagler Street, Miami, Florida 33174.

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11 **Q. By whom are you employed and in what capacity?**

12 A. I am employed by Florida Power & Light Company (FPL) as Manager
13 of Regulatory Issues in the Regulatory Affairs Department.

14

15 **Q. Have you previously testified in this docket?**

16 A. Yes, I have.

17

18 **Q. What is the purpose of your supplemental testimony?**

19 A. The purpose of my supplemental testimony is to present for
20 Commission review and approval revised fuel cost recovery factors
21 (FCR) and revised capacity cost recovery factors (CCR) for FPL's
22 rate schedules for the period January 2002 through December 2002.

23 This revision is due to a reduced sales forecast, from 94,729,311
24 retail MWH to 91,929,691 retail MWH as discussed in the testimony

1 of FPL Witness Leo Green, and incremental costs for increased
2 security at FPL's plants as discussed in the testimony of FPL Witness
3 John Hartzog.

4

5 **Q. Have you prepared or caused to be prepared under your**
6 **direction, supervision or control an exhibit in this proceeding?**

7 A. Yes, I have. It consists of various schedules included in Appendices
8 II and III. Appendix II contains the FCR related schedules and
9 Appendix III contains the CCR related schedules.

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12 **FUEL COST RECOVERY CLAUSE**

13

14 **Q. What is the proposed revised levelized fuel factor for which the**
15 **Company requests approval?**

16 A. 2.860¢ per kWh. Schedule EI, Page 1 of Appendix II shows the
17 calculation of this revised twelve-month levelized fuel factor. As
18 shown on Line 30, the Total Jurisdictional Fuel Cost is
19 \$2,578,571,684, a reduction of \$106,970,864 from the August 31,
20 2001 filing due to the decrease in Net Energy for Load. Schedule E2,
21 Pages 4 and 5 of Appendix II indicates the revised monthly fuel
22 factors for January 2002 through December 2002 and also the
23 revised twelve-month levelized fuel factor for the period. The fuel
24 factor has been revised from the August 31, 2001 filing to reflect the

1 reduction in the sales forecast as described in the testimony of FPL
2 Witness Leo Green. Additionally, the fuel factor has been revised to
3 include the additional plant security costs as described in the
4 testimony of FPL Witness John Hartzog.

5

6 **Q. Has the Company developed a revised twelve-month levelized**
7 **fuel factor for its Time of Use rates?**

8 A. Yes. Schedule E1-D, Page 2 of Appendix II, provides a revised
9 twelve-month levelized fuel factor of 3.138¢ per kWh on-peak and
10 2.735¢ per kWh off-peak for our Time of Use rate schedules.

11

12 **Q. Were these calculations made in accordance with the**
13 **procedures previously approved in this Docket?**

14 A. Yes, they were.

15

16 **Q. Is FPL proposing to include any additional costs in the**
17 **calculation of the revised fuel cost recovery factors?**

18 A. Yes. FPL requests that it be allowed to recover incremental costs for
19 increased security at FPL's plants as a result of the events of
20 September 11, 2001, as described in the testimony of FPL Witness
21 John Hartzog. For 2002 these costs are projected to be \$1,860,000
22 and are reflected on Schedule E1, Page 1, Line 3a of Appendix II.

23

24 FPL is requesting recovery of these incremental security costs

1 through the FCR consistent with the Federal Energy Regulatory
2 Commission's (FERC) Statement of Policy issued on September 14,
3 2001 which states:

4 "In light of tragic events that have taken place in our country
5 this week and the high state of alert the country is now
6 experiencing, the Commission believes it is appropriate to
7 provide regulatory guidance on certain energy infrastructure
8 reliability and security matters that may be affected by this
9 Commission's rate jurisdiction. The Commission understands
10 that electric, gas, and oil companies may need to adopt new
11 procedures, update existing procedures, and install facilities
12 to further safeguard their electric power transmission grid and
13 gas and oil pipeline systems. The Commission is aware that
14 there may be uncertainty about companies' ability to recover
15 the expenses necessary to further safeguard our energy
16 infrastructure, especially if they are operating under frozen or
17 indexed rates. In order to alleviate this uncertainty, the
18 Commission wants to assure the companies we regulate that
19 we will approve applications to recover prudently incurred
20 costs necessary to further safeguard the reliability and
21 security of our energy supply infrastructure in response to the
22 heightened state of alert. Companies may propose a
23 separate rate recovery mechanism, such as a surcharge to
24 currently existing rates or some other cost recovery method.

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2 The Commission will give its highest priority to processing any
3 filing made for the recovery of extraordinary expenditures to
4 safeguard the reliability of our energy transportation systems
5 and energy supply infrastructure. The Commission views the
6 reliability of our Nation's energy transportation systems and
7 energy supply infrastructure as critical to meeting the energy
8 requirements essential to the American people. The
9 Commission calls for the cooperation of the energy industry,
10 customers, and state and local governments to provide any
11 additional safeguards necessary to protect the country's vital
12 energy transportation systems and energy supply
13 infrastructure.”

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15 Additionally, NARUC will be introducing a resolution on "Supporting
16 Recovery in State Regulated Rates of Extraordinary Expenditures
17 Necessary to Safeguard National Energy Suppliers" at the Electricity
18 and Gas Committees on November 12, 2001. The resolution states:

19 "Resolved, that States should approve applications by gas
20 and electric companies subject to their jurisdiction to recover
21 prudently incurred costs necessary to further safeguard the
22 reliability and security of our energy supply infrastructure and
23 should allow companies to propose separate rate recovery
24 mechanisms, such as a surcharge to existing rates or

1 deferred accounting treatment."
2 FPL believes it is essential to increase security to protect and
3 maintain its fuel supply so that we can continue to provide
4 economical nuclear and fossil generation. Clearly, the inability to
5 operate one or more of our generating units, particularly our nuclear
6 generating units, will have a significant adverse impact on our fuel
7 costs. Additionally, FPL believes it is appropriate to recover the
8 incremental security costs through the fuel cost recovery clause.
9 There are significant uncertainties in these costs. Moreover, it is vital
10 that FPL respond to changing threat levels in a proactive manner.
11 For example, as described in the testimony of FPL Witness John
12 Hartzog, these costs may include the cost of additional security from
13 the national guard. For these reasons FPL believes it is appropriate
14 to bring this issue to the Commission for their consideration and
15 approval. Even if the Commission is concerned about whether the
16 use of the fuel clause is the most appropriate continuing method of
17 recovery, FPL suggests that the clause should be used as an interim
18 recovery method.

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20 **CAPACITY PAYMENT RECOVERY CLAUSE**

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22 **Q. Please describe the revisions made to the CCR.**

23 A. Projected retail sales for 2002 were revised downward from
24 94,729,311 MWH to 91,929,691 MWH as discussed in the testimony

1 of FPL Witness Leo Green. Page 2 of Appendix III presents the
2 calculation of the revised Capacity Payment Recovery Clause (CCR)
3 factors by rate class due to this decreased sales forecast.
4

5 **Q. What effective date is FPL requesting for the new factors?**

6 A. FPL is requesting that the revised FCR and CCR factors become
7 effective with customer bills for January 2002 through December
8 2002. This will provide for 12 months of billing on the FCR and CCR
9 factors for all our customers.
10

11 **Q. What will be the revised charge for a Residential customer using
12 1,000 kWh effective January 2002?**

13 A. The total residential bill, excluding taxes and franchise fees, for 1,000
14 kWh will be \$81.63. The base bill for 1,000 Residential kWh is
15 \$43.26. The fuel cost recovery charge for a residential customer is
16 \$28.66, a reduction of \$0.30 from the fuel charge filed on August 31,
17 2001 and a reduction of \$1.75 from the current fuel charge. The
18 conservation charge is \$1.87, an increase of \$0.06 from the
19 conservation charge filed on September 20, 2001. The Capacity
20 Cost Recovery charge is \$7.01, an increase of \$0.21 from the
21 capacity charge filed on August 31, 2001 and an increase of \$1.74
22 from the current capacity charge. The environmental cost recovery
23 charge is \$0.00 and the Gross Receipts Tax is \$0.83. A 1,000 kWh
24 residential bill comparing this revision to the originally filed charges

1 and a comparison to current charges is presented in Schedule E10,
2 Page 14 of Appendix II.

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4 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony.**

5 A. Yes, it does.

1 BY MR. CHILDS:

2 Q Would you please summarize your testimony.

3 A Yes. Thank you. The purpose of my supplemental
4 testimony is to present for Commission review and approval
5 revised fuel cost recovery factors and revised capacity cost
6 recovery factors for FPL's rate schedules for the period
7 January 2002 through December 2002 due to the events of the
8 September 11th, 2001 terrorist attacks.

9 FPL has revised its sales forecast due to the events
10 of September 11th which were not known at the time FPL filed
11 its projected 2002 fuel and capacity factors. The impact on
12 FPL's fuel cost is a reduction of more than \$100 million from
13 FPL's originally filed fuel cost projection. Therefore, on
14 November 5th, FPL filed revised fuel and capacity cost recovery
15 factors for 2002 reflecting the impact of this reduced sales
16 forecast.

17 Additionally, FPL requests it be allowed to recover
18 incremental costs for increased security at FPL's plant as a
19 result of the events of September 11th. FPL is requesting
20 recovery of these incremental costs, security costs, through
21 the fuel clause. The FERC Statement of Policy issued on
22 September 14, 2001, states: "In light of tragic events that
23 have taken place in our country this week and the high state of
24 alert the country is now experiencing, the Commission believes
25 it is appropriate to provide regulatory guidance on certain

1 energy infrastructure, reliability, and security matters that
2 may be affected by this Commission's rate jurisdiction. The
3 Commission understands that electric, gas, and oil companies
4 may need to adopt new procedures, updating existing procedures,
5 and install facilities to further safeguard their electric
6 power transmission grid and gas and oil pipeline systems. The
7 Commission is aware that there may be uncertainty about
8 companies' ability to recover the expenses necessary to further
9 safeguard our energy infrastructure.

10 "In order to alleviate this uncertainty, the
11 Commission wants to assure the companies we regulate that we
12 will approve applications to recover prudently incurred costs
13 necessary to further safeguard the reliability and security of
14 our energy supply infrastructure in its response to the
15 heighten state of alert. Companies may propose a separate rate
16 recovery mechanism such as a surcharge to currently existing
17 rates or some other cost recovery method."

18 Additionally, last week, NARUC approved a resolution
19 on supporting recovery in state regulated rates of
20 extraordinary expenses necessary to safeguard national energy
21 suppliers. The resolution states -- resolved that states
22 should approve applications by gas and electric companies
23 subject to their jurisdiction to recover prudently incurred
24 costs necessary to further safeguard the reliability and
25 security of our energy supply infrastructure and should allow

1 companies to propose a separate rate recovery mechanism such as
2 a surcharge to existing rates or deferred accounting treatment.

3 FPL believes it is essential to increase security to
4 protect and maintain its fuel supply so that we can continue to
5 provide economical nuclear and fossil generation. Clearly, the
6 inability to operate one or more of our generating units,
7 particularly one of our nuclear generating units, will have a
8 significant adverse impact on our fuel costs. Therefore, FPL
9 believes it is appropriate to recover incremental security
10 costs through the fuel cost recovery clause. For these
11 reasons, FPL believes it is appropriate to bring this issue to
12 the Commission for their consideration and approval.

13 This concludes my summary.

14 MR. CHILDS: We tender the witness for
15 cross-examination.

16 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Mr. Vandiver.

17 MR. VANDIVER: No questions.

18 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Mr. McWhirter.

19 CROSS EXAMINATION

20 BY MR. McWHIRTER:

21 Q Ms. Dubin, the current security costs are
22 \$1.7 million in increased cost?

23 A 1.86 million.

24 Q 1.86. And Mr. Hartzog says it may go up as much as
25 20 percent?

1 A Yes.

2 Q So that would be a little bit over \$2 million?

3 A Yes.

4 Q And under your testimony, your fuel costs for 2002
5 are going to be something like \$2.5 billion?

6 A Yes, that's true.

7 Q And Mr. Hartzog said, and I guess you can confirm or
8 refute, the total revenue of Florida Power Corporation is
9 something like 6 --

10 A Florida Power & Light, sir.

11 Q Florida Power & Light, I'm so sorry. There is a
12 difference, isn't there?

13 A Yes, there is.

14 Q It's around \$6 billion; is that --

15 A Yes, I believe so.

16 Q So that would mean that about -- your base revenues
17 bring in about \$3.5 billion?

18 A Something like that.

19 Q Are you currently --

20 A Let me point out, though, that the security costs
21 particularly are -- these are incremental security costs to
22 protect our power plants. The nuclear power plants are much
23 more efficient and provide great fuel savings to customers,
24 about \$750 million a year. So we're talking about spending
25 that money to protect that \$750 million.

1 Q I'm certainly not objecting, and I certainly endorse
2 the expenditure. The only concern I would have is the pressing
3 necessity to establish a whole new cost recovery procedure
4 because of the extraordinary magnitude of this \$1.86 million
5 cost. And I haven't been able to determine why that is so
6 extraordinary on the basis of --

7 A Well, we believe that these are extraordinary times,
8 and we believe that these -- additional security is important
9 to protect the power plants. When you say "additional
10 procedures," that's what we're trying to avoid here, is by
11 including it in the fuel adjustment charge, it's already part
12 of a process, one that's filed and reviewed and audited. So it
13 wouldn't be a lot of incremental administrative work or review.
14 It becomes part of that process. And the incremental costs
15 would be there in order to continue to operate those power
16 plants and produce those fuel savings.

17 Q At the present time, is your utility earning above or
18 below the midpoint of its last authorized rate of return?

19 A Our company is right now under a revenue sharing
20 mechanism pursuant to the stipulation settlement agreement.

21 Q And so you're sharing revenue to the extent that your
22 revenue exceeds the ceiling of your authorized rate of return.

23 A There's a revenue sharing mechanism as part of the
24 stipulation. I believe, subject to check, that we flowed back
25 to the customers this past year \$120 million.

1 Q And what portion did you keep of the revenues in
2 excess of the top of your authorized return under that sharing
3 mechanism?

4 A I don't know off the top of my head, Mr. McWhirter.

5 Q Is it around -- my recollection is 30 percent of the
6 amount by which your revenues exceed the top of your authorized
7 ceiling?

8 A I don't know off the top of my head.

9 Q What is your most recent return on equity?

10 A Mr. McWhirter, I'm not sure that I know that.

11 Q Well, I won't ask any more questions along those
12 lines. On your revised fuel filing, you show that your cost of
13 generation is going down from what it was when you made your
14 September 20th filing.

15 A Yes. Due to the decrease in load, we would expect
16 our fuel costs to go down by a little over \$100 million.

17 Q And your -- the generation component is likewise
18 going down because, I guess, fuel costs have gone down?

19 A From last year, yes.

20 Q Yeah. Now, you anticipate also an improvement in the
21 power you purchase from other parties in the wholesale market
22 from \$20 a megawatt hour to now you think you can purchase it
23 for \$19.78 on average?

24 A Where are you looking, Mr. McWhirter?

25 Q I'm looking at your Exhibit E1 as revised in early

1 November at Line 13, I guess it is.

2 A Yes, it's 1.9786.

3 Q That's \$19.78 a megawatt hour?

4 A Yes, it is.

5 Q And do you buy power from Tampa Electric Company?

6 A Yes, I believe we do.

7 Q And what do you pay Tampa Electric for the power you
8 buy? Do you know?

9 A Mr. McWhirter, you're a little out of my area. It's
10 more Mr. Yupp's --

11 Q I won't ask that question because I think it's beyond
12 the supplemental.

13 A Okay.

14 Q The power you purchase under your projections will be
15 less than the cost of power to generate. Would it be fair to
16 say that your customers will benefit as a result of the fact
17 that you're able to purchase power on the wholesale market for
18 less than it would cost you to generate it with your own
19 facilities?

20 A Yes.

21 Q And then you're going to sell power on the wholesale
22 market, and you're going to sell it for \$37.25?

23 A Yes.

24 Q And all of that power less the incentive that you're
25 given is passed through to the customers through the fuel cost?

1 A Yes.

2 Q Would it be fair to say that those off-system sales
3 will substantially benefit the retail consumers by lowering
4 your overall fuel cost?

5 A Yes.

6 MR. McWHIRTER: I have no further questions.

7 THE WITNESS: Thank you.

8 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Staff.

9 CROSS EXAMINATION

10 BY MR. KEATING:

11 Q Ms. Dubin, in what accounts has FPL recorded its
12 security costs since its last rate case?

13 A Since its last rate case?

14 Q Yes.

15 A FPL's security costs are recorded in general ledger
16 accounts 506, 524, and 549.

17 Q And I apologize, I intended to hand out a last staff
18 exhibit before I started with the questions here, and some of
19 the responses you may be able to refer back to those exhibits
20 for.

21 A Okay.

22 MR. KEATING: This exhibit consists of certain
23 specified responses to staff's fifth and sixth set of
24 interrogatories from Florida Power & Light Company. Staff
25 would ask that this composite exhibit be marked as 29.

1 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Mark these as separate -- mark them
2 separate?

3 MR. KEATING: As one composite exhibit. I believe
4 there's just one --

5 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Okay. Show them marked as Exhibit
6 29, Composite Exhibit 29.

7 MR. CHILDS: Which one are we marking as Exhibit 29?

8 MR. KEATING: I apologize. There's some
9 miscommunication. We handed out two exhibits. The first was
10 the composite exhibit including the interrogatory responses.
11 We'd ask that that be marked as Exhibit 29, and the second, the
12 deposition of --

13 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Say that again.

14 MR. KEATING: We ask that the staff composite exhibit
15 consisting of the interrogatory responses be marked as 29, and
16 the second exhibit --

17 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: The transcript would be 30.

18 MR. KEATING: -- the transcript of the deposition is
19 30. I apologize, I had forgotten that that had not been
20 included in our larger composite exhibit that was marked
21 earlier.

22 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Show those marked.

23 (Exhibits 29 and 30 marked for identification.)

24 BY MR. KEATING:

25 Q Ms. Dubin, you had indicated that Florida Power &

1 Light since its last rate case has recorded security costs and
2 general ledger accounts 506, 524, and 549; is that correct?

3 A That's correct.

4 Q Could you describe these accounts?

5 A They are the accounts in the FERC guidelines that
6 specify recovery of security costs.

7 Q Okay. Would you agree, subject to check, that
8 Account 506 is titled, "Miscellaneous Steam Power Expenses"?

9 A Yes.

10 Q And that 524 is miscellaneous nuclear power expenses?

11 A Yes.

12 Q And that 549 is miscellaneous other power generation
13 expenses?

14 A Yes.

15 Q And are security expenses specifically identified as
16 the kinds of expenses to include in those accounts?

17 A Yes, I believe so. But the -- I would make a
18 distinction between the normal security costs that we would
19 have and the incremental security costs that we have due the
20 extraordinary events that have taken place in the country.

21 Q Other than the fact that these incremental security
22 costs have arisen as a result of the September 11th tragedy,
23 are there any -- are they in any way different from other power
24 plant security costs that FPL recovers in base rates?

25 A They're incremental due to the events of

1 September 11th, and they go particularly to the power plants
2 and the ability to operate them. If, for any reason, we'd have
3 to shutdown one of these units, the impact on fuel would be a
4 significant adverse impact. Clearly, the inability to operate
5 one or more nuclear units would have a significant impact on
6 our fuel cost. We have estimated that when you compare nuclear
7 fuel to gas for the year, the nuclear units save the customers
8 \$750 million a year. If you break that down in a day, one day
9 in replacement fuel costs covers those security costs.

10 Q How is Florida Power & Light currently accounting for
11 the incremental security costs as a result of the
12 September 11th tragedy?

13 A Subject to check, they would be included in the
14 accounts here.

15 Q In the Accounts 506, 524, and 549?

16 A Yes.

17 Q On what basis are those accounts allocated in base
18 rates?

19 A They are allocated on a demand basis.

20 Q And expenses that go through the fuel clause are
21 allocated on an energy basis; correct?

22 A Yes. And if you went to the FERC resolution and the
23 NARUC resolution, they both go towards a surcharge type of a
24 recovery or a cost recovery mechanism, and that would then be
25 on a cents per kWh energy basis that all customer classes would

1 be treated the same.

2 Q Didn't those resolutions also offer deferred
3 accounting treatment?

4 A Yes, they did.

5 Q If the incremental power plant security costs were to
6 be recovered through the fuel factor and FPL's other security
7 costs, those that are, I guess, nonincremental, were to be
8 recovered through base rates, doesn't that result in an
9 inconsistent treatment and an inconsistent allocation of those
10 costs to those customers?

11 A Mr. Keating, they may be different, but we believe
12 that this is an extraordinary case. We're in an extraordinary
13 situation. And, again, the reason for recovery through the
14 fuel mechanism would be to protect the fuels and to make sure
15 that those units continue to operate and the customers continue
16 to receive the benefit of that lower cost fuel.

17 Q Why are Florida Power & Light's current security
18 costs allocated on a demand basis?

19 A That's the -- in the last cost of service, that's how
20 they were allocated, based on that study.

21 Q Would you agree that they're allocated on that basis
22 because they are related to capacity?

23 A I believe so. Again, though, I'm talking of the
24 incremental security costs as a direct result of the increased
25 security because of the situation we have now.

1 Q If you could, turn to Page 14 of the composite
2 exhibit that has been marked as 29. I'm sorry, Page 13.

3 A Yes.

4 Q It's staff's Interrogatory 172 and Florida Power &
5 Light's response. You cite the Commission's Order 14546 as the
6 Commission decision which may indicate that the fuel clause is
7 the appropriate mechanism for recovery of these costs?

8 A Yes.

9 Q And in particular, you cite Item Number 10 of that
10 order. And I'll just read from the interrogatory response
11 citing Item Number 10, which states, "Fossil fuel-related costs
12 normally recovered through base rates, but which were not
13 recognized or anticipated in the cost levels used to determine
14 current base rates and which, if expended, will result in fuel
15 savings to customers, the recovery of such costs should be made
16 on a case-by-case basis after Commission approval."

17 And you may have touched on this before, but how are
18 these incremental security costs going to result in fuel
19 savings to customers?

20 A Well, first, let me comment. This order, I believe,
21 provides the flexibility to recover costs that are not normally
22 recovered through fuel adjustment to bring to the Commission on
23 a case-by-case basis. It talks of fuel savings. The
24 incremental security costs that we're talking about go directly
25 to being able to continue to operate those units, and the

1 inability to operate -- if we had to shutdown the nuclear
2 units, for example, would result in additional fuel costs to
3 customers, replacement fuel cost to customers, more than \$750
4 million. And in that respect, we believe it goes towards this.
5 Additionally, there is some uncertainty in those costs also.

6 Q Again, looking at Item 10 on this interrogatory
7 response. Couldn't these incremental security costs be
8 recognized or anticipated in the cost levels used to determine
9 base rates, considering that there is a rate proceeding
10 currently open for Florida Power & Light?

11 A There could be a number of ways to recover these.
12 FPL believes it is most appropriate to include them in the fuel
13 adjustment. Again, we want to make sure that we can continue
14 to provide economical fossil and nuclear generation, and
15 because of that, we think it's appropriate to include them
16 here.

17 COMMISSIONER JABER: Ms. Dubin, give me an example of
18 what the incremental costs were. And I'm not looking for the
19 amounts, but, you know, obviously, in your Turkey Point plant
20 you have to have personnel --

21 THE WITNESS: Yes.

22 COMMISSIONER JABER: -- that is available at the
23 plant all the time. And I don't want to make you uncomfortable
24 and have you reveal any of the security measures, but
25 post-September 11th, you had to increase the personnel, for

1 example. That's what you call incremental security costs?

2 THE WITNESS: Yes.

3 COMMISSIONER JABER: Okay. And when the National
4 Guard was sent out recently -- that's public information, that
5 was in the newspaper --

6 THE WITNESS: Right.

7 COMMISSIONER JABER: -- that's not anything that you
8 reimburse our government for; right?

9 THE WITNESS: Well, not currently, Commissioner.
10 There are ongoing negotiations with the government as far as
11 who would pay for the National Guard. That has not quite been
12 determined, and that goes to some of the uncertainty in these
13 costs.

14 BY MR. KEATING:

15 Q I just have a couple more questions. If you could,
16 turn to Page 7 of what's been marked as Exhibit 29, and that's
17 the interrogatory and response to Number 166.

18 A Yes.

19 Q That interrogatory asks what the estimated value of
20 fuel assets and fuel infrastructure at FPL's nuclear facilities
21 is --

22 A Yes.

23 Q -- which requires the additional security costs.

24 A Uh-huh.

25 Q And is it correct that that amount is 106.1 million

1 as FPL has estimated it?

2 A Yes. The value of the nuclear fuel and the reactors
3 located at St. Lucie and Turkey Point is 106.1 million as of
4 August 28th, 2001.

5 Q And turning to the next page in that exhibit,
6 Interrogatory 167 asks for the estimated value of nonfuel
7 assets and infrastructure, and the estimate that Florida Power
8 & Light provided is 1.1 billion; is that correct?

9 A Yes. The net book value of FPL's nuclear units as of
10 August 31st, 2001 was \$1.1 billion.

11 Q Given the disparity in those two numbers, would you
12 agree that the additional security costs are aimed more at
13 protecting the nonfuel assets rather than fuel?

14 A I think the additional security costs go to protect
15 everything there and -- both fuel and nonfuel. But again, the
16 inability to operate those plants results in a direct adverse
17 impact in fuel on FPL's customers.

18 Q So really, these increased security costs from your
19 testimony would have an indirect impact on fuel savings?

20 A An indirect impact on fuel savings?

21 Q Yes. Well, let me ask it a different way. How do
22 the incremental security costs have a direct effect on fuel
23 savings?

24 A If we don't have adequate security at those units and
25 we would have -- and would have to shutdown a unit, the impact

1 is direct on the customers. If you're not operating a nuclear
2 unit, you're generating with something else which is more
3 expensive.

4 Q Do the additional security costs which FPL is seeking
5 to recover through the fuel clause vary depending on how many
6 kilowatt hours the nuclear power plants generate?

7 A No.

8 MR. KEATING: Thank you. That's all the questions I
9 have.

10 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Commissioners.

11 COMMISSIONER DEASON: Yeah, I have a question on Page
12 7 of your supplemental testimony, and I'm trying to understand
13 the dynamics that work here. And I'm comparing the fuel
14 factors as they existed with the original forecast and how they
15 are revised. And I understand that there is a reduction of 30
16 cents for residential customers in the fuel cost recovery
17 charge, but then there's an increase in the capacity cost
18 recovery charge of 21 cents. Am I characterizing your
19 testimony correctly?

20 THE WITNESS: Yes, Commissioner.

21 COMMISSIONER DEASON: Okay. Can you explain to me
22 the dynamics in place why the revision to the sales forecast
23 and then the resulting decrease in the overall expenditure for
24 fuel would result in a decrease in the fuel charge factor but
25 an increase in the capacity cost recovery factor?

1 THE WITNESS: Yes, Commissioner. In the case of the
2 capacity factor, our projections for our capacity costs remain
3 the same. It's simply that we're dividing them over less
4 sales, which increases the cents per kWh.

5 COMMISSIONER DEASON: So the reduction in sales
6 forecast, there's no associated reduction in the capacity
7 charge.

8 THE WITNESS: No, there is not. But conversely for
9 fuel adjustment, we took the revised load forecast and reran
10 our POWRSYM run to redispatch the units, so that not only do
11 you have the sales component lower than the number that you are
12 dividing with, but actually you reduce your costs by about
13 \$100 million.

14 COMMISSIONER DEASON: Okay. Thank you. The other
15 question I have relates to the incremental security costs. I
16 guess my question is, you're not seeking to recover more than
17 your actual costs, obviously.

18 THE WITNESS: No. We're just asking to recover the
19 incremental costs for the security.

20 COMMISSIONER DEASON: How do we -- well, let me ask
21 you this. Do you see this as a one-time event, or is this
22 something that you foresee as being part of recurring fuel
23 adjustment hearings years in the future?

24 THE WITNESS: Commissioner, that's part of it. I'm
25 not sure how long it's going to last. There is some

1 uncertainty about it.

2 COMMISSIONER DEASON: Well, then you would agree then
3 it's necessary -- under your proposal, if it were adopted, it
4 would be necessary to be able to have separate accounting for
5 prior 9/11 security cost and post-9/11 security costs because
6 they're going to be given separate treatment when it comes to
7 cost recovery, one in base rates and one in a recovery
8 mechanism.

9 THE WITNESS: Yes.

10 COMMISSIONER DEASON: Does that create any accounting
11 problems for Florida Power & Light?

12 THE WITNESS: No. I believe we would put it in a
13 account for recovery through the fuel adjustment. We would
14 account for the incremental costs that way.

15 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Ms. Dubin, in your analysis of the
16 incremental expenses, has there been any inquiry made as to
17 other revenues that might go towards these expenses and
18 specifically FEMA and other agencies like that that have
19 historically come in and addressed these types of issues? Have
20 you done an analysis as to what those might be?

21 THE WITNESS: Commissioner, those are ongoing, and
22 they go towards what Commissioner Jaber had asked about the
23 National Guard. We're definitely in ongoing negotiations on
24 who and what other ways this would be paid for. The
25 incremental costs I'm talking about are mostly -- are ones that

1 are done per the NRC advisories.

2 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: In your -- feel free to let me know
3 if this is outside of your scope of experience, but I believe
4 you self-insure your -- you're self-insured, aren't you?

5 THE WITNESS: Commissioner, that is outside the scope
6 of my area.

7 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Okay. Let me ask this then. Are
8 you aware of to what extent you provide -- you pay into a fund
9 for that?

10 THE WITNESS: Yes, I believe so, but that is out of
11 my area of expertise.

12 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Okay. And if you pay into a fund,
13 has there been any analysis of the impact of that fund or the
14 payments into that fund based on these new security measures?

15 THE WITNESS: I have no knowledge of that.

16 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Okay. And the thought being that
17 normally that's based on some level of risk to your facilities.
18 And what I hear you saying is that you're paying to remove a
19 substantial portion of that risk or at least perceived risk.
20 It would occur to me that then whatever that fund is intended
21 to cover, it should be reduced as well. Do you agree?

22 THE WITNESS: I'm not sure, Commissioner.

23 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Okay. If you -- as you incur these
24 additional expenses, is there some -- well, I heard the
25 discussion that some of this is allocated through a demand.

1 And I assume in that manner there will be appropriate
2 allocation across respective classes of customers, so then
3 there will be allocation to wholesale and retail in that manner
4 done.

5 THE WITNESS: Yes, yes.

6 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: What happens -- does any of that
7 take into consideration plant outages and those sorts of
8 things? In other words, it would occur to me that expenses for
9 security on a facility that's on a plant outage would be an
10 unreasonable expense. Is that reasonable? Is that a fair
11 statement?

12 THE WITNESS: I'm sorry, the security costs when a
13 unit has an outage?

14 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Yeah.

15 THE WITNESS: I think the security that we're talking
16 about is there --

17 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Regardless.

18 THE WITNESS: -- regardless.

19 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Okay. So during plant outages and
20 all, these expenses would continue.

21 THE WITNESS: Yeah, even with the outage there's
22 still fuel located at those plants.

23 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: But the security measures here
24 don't necessarily deal with protecting the fuel. It's
25 protecting the physical security of the location; isn't that

1 correct?

2 THE WITNESS: Both, both the plant and the fuel
3 supply.

4 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: So there are incremental expenses
5 to protecting your fuel supply on these locations?

6 THE WITNESS: It's security to cover the whole
7 facility, which would be the plant and the fuel that's located
8 there.

9 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: That's all the questions I have.
10 Redirect.

11 MR. CHILDS: I have a few questions.

12 REDIRECT EXAMINATION

13 BY MR. CHILDS:

14 Q Ms. Dubin, staff asked you several questions about --
15 I think it's Page 13 of their Composite Exhibit 29 where you
16 reference order number -- or Order Number 14546 is referenced.

17 A Yes.

18 Q Would you turn to that?

19 A Yes.

20 Q In there the response quotes Item 10 from that order,
21 and it identifies that certain costs which can be recovered
22 through the fuel adjustment. And I want you to look at the
23 words "normally recovered through base rates," which is in the
24 first line of the quote. That doesn't say, does it, normally
25 included or recovered through base rates but only if allocated

1 on an energy basis?

2 A No, it does not.

3 Q In fact, don't you recover now certain costs of the
4 fuel adjustment that are not -- would not normally be allocated
5 on an energy basis?

6 A Yes.

7 Q Would you give us an example of some of those?

8 A For example, railcars to deliver coal, those types of
9 costs.

10 Q Gas pipeline?

11 A Yes.

12 Q Re-rating of a nuclear power plant?

13 A Yes, thermal uprate of the nuclear -- of Turkey
14 Point. Yes.

15 Q And would you characterize the fuel savings resulting
16 from those activities as being indirect?

17 A No. I believe that they're direct fuel savings
18 associated with those.

19 Q Okay. And also isn't St. Lucie 2 allocated
20 significantly or substantially on an energy basis --

21 A Yes.

22 Q -- already?

23 A Yes.

24 MR. CHILDS: That's all I have.

25 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: That means we can go to all of the

1 exhibits.

2 Thank you. You are excused, Ms. Dubin.

3 (Witness excused.)

4 MR. CHILDS: Yes. I move Exhibits 24 through 28,
5 which are all of the FPL exhibits.

6 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Very well. Without objection, show
7 Exhibits 24 through 28 are admitted.

8 (Exhibits 24 through 28 admitted into the record.)

9 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Staff.

10 MR. KEATING: Staff would move 29 and 30.

11 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Without objection, show Exhibits 29
12 and 30 are admitted.

13 (Exhibits 29 and 30 admitted into the record.)

14 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: And you have Exhibit 17. Did
15 you --

16 MR. KEATING: Yes. Staff would like to move
17 Exhibit 17 at this time.

18 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Without objection, show Exhibit 17
19 is admitted.

20 (Exhibit 17 admitted into the record.)

21 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Is there any other matter for the
22 record? I believe that takes care of all of the cases and all
23 the dockets.

24 Staff, are we prepared to look at these issues today?

25 MR. KEATING: Yes. It may be useful to take a short

1 break so that staff can get together in the short time and work
2 out its oral recommendations on these issues.

3 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: All right. Let's take --

4 COMMISSIONER DEASON: Can't we just take 15 minutes?

5 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: -- yes, let's take 15 minutes.

6 Fifteen minutes.

7 MR. KEATING: That will be fine. Thank you.

8 (Brief recess.)

9 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: We'll go back on the record.

10 Staff, explain to us how we'll proceed through the
11 recommendations.

12 MR. KEATING: All right. Commissioners, Staff is
13 prepared to provide an oral recommendation on all of the issues
14 today. And we recognize there's been some -- a lot of
15 discussion on certain of the issues, and if it's your pleasure,
16 if there's any particular issue that you'd like to have a
17 written recommendation on post-hearing --

18 COMMISSIONER DEASON: Let me -- before we get into
19 the specific issues, there's something that I want to mention.
20 We have deferred Issues 11 through 14; correct?

21 MR. KEATING: I'm sorry?

22 COMMISSIONER DEASON: We have deferred Issues
23 11 through 14. They're going to be the subject of a future
24 review?

25 MR. KEATING: That's correct.

1 COMMISSIONER DEASON: Okay. So you're not going to
2 be making any recommendation on those today, obviously.

3 MR. KEATING: Right.

4 COMMISSIONER DEASON: I just wanted to mention that I
5 think that's the appropriate thing to do. I'm in total support
6 of it. I just don't want the agreement, you know, that these
7 items be deferred be misconstrued that somehow the Commission
8 doesn't have an extreme interest in these matters. And I
9 believe, as one Commissioner, that it's still incumbent upon
10 the utilities to continue their review in whatever measures
11 they think appropriate to take, that they shouldn't see us
12 deferring these issues as a signal that they need to stop
13 whatever actions or initiatives they have taken heretofore,
14 that those efforts should continue. That's just one
15 Commissioner expressing that, and I just wanted to make sure
16 that that was clear. And it was on my mind at the time, so I
17 thought I'd just go ahead and do it right now before we get
18 into the nitty-gritty of some of the other issues.

19 MR. KEATING: And the staff intends to continue to
20 follow up on these without trying to let these issues drop
21 anytime soon and to try to get a resolution on these quickly.
22 There's a management audit that's being conducted, among other
23 things.

24 COMMISSIONER JABER: Mr. Chairman, with that, I can
25 actually make a motion for you as it relates to all of the

1 stipulated issues that will go quickly.

2 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Yes. Let's begin with the
3 stipulated.

4 COMMISSIONER JABER: Okay. Regarding all the
5 stipulated issues -- on our copy I think it starts at Page 41,
6 Commissioners --

7 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Yes.

8 COMMISSIONER JABER: -- and it goes through to the
9 top of 57. I can move all of those issues.

10 COMMISSIONER PALECKI: I can second that.

11 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: A motion and a second. Any further
12 discussion?

13 All in favor?

14 COMMISSIONER JABER: Aye.

15 COMMISSIONER PALECKI: Aye.

16 COMMISSIONER DEASON: Aye.

17 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Aye.

18 COMMISSIONER BAEZ: Aye.

19 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Opposed?

20 Show the stipulated issues identified on those pages
21 as approved.

22 MR. KEATING: From here, staff would recommend that
23 we address company-specific issues and those issues that have a
24 fallout effect on others first, and then address the fallout
25 issues last which would be, essentially, the dollar amounts and

1 the factors to put in place. I believe the issues that do have
2 a fallout effect --

3 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Excuse me. One moment. Just for
4 the record, let's make sure that our vote on the stipulated
5 issues included the amended position on Issue 28. I wanted to
6 be sure that that was officially for the record.

7 COMMISSIONER JABER: That was my intent,
8 Mr. Chairman, yes.

9 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Okay. Now, you may proceed.

10 MR. KEATING: I believe the issues that remain that
11 have a fallout effect on other issues are 17B and C, which
12 relate respectively to incremental security costs recovery and
13 updated forecasts, Issue 18K which is Florida Power & Light
14 specific, regarding the amount of their security costs, and
15 then 21C, D, G, and H which relate to TECO's wholesale
16 transactions. And we can take those up in any particular
17 order.

18 COMMISSIONER PALECKI: What were the last issue
19 numbers?

20 MR. KEATING: The last issues were 21C, D, G, and H.

21 COMMISSIONER PALECKI: Thank you.

22 MR. KEATING: And we could probably take those up in
23 any particular order.

24 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Very well. Let's take -- let's go
25 with 17 --

1 MR. KEATING: 17B.

2 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: -- B.

3 MR. McNULTY: Commissioners, 17B is, "Should the
4 Commission allow recovery of the investor-owned utilities'
5 incremental security costs, related to recent national security
6 concerns, through the fuel and purchased power cost recovery
7 clause, on either an interim or permanent basis?"

8 Staff's recommendation on this issue is that the
9 utilities should not be allowed recovery through the fuel
10 clause for these types of costs. The Commission should however
11 take up consideration of these -- of the appropriate recovery
12 method for incremental security costs in the first quarter of
13 2002.

14 And after studying in greater depth, the best method
15 to recover incremental security costs for all investor-owned
16 utilities should be basically to allow these -- the allocation
17 of -- excuse me. A concern that we would have, would be that
18 the allocation of these expenses to rate classes be in a manner
19 consistent with current recovery practices. However, in the
20 meantime, the Commission should allow the utilities to defer
21 incremental power plant security costs as other regulatory
22 assets for costs incurred beginning January 1, 2002 so that
23 these costs are not ignored.

24 COMMISSIONER JABER: Let me ask you a question. The
25 only cost information we have in the record is from Florida

1 Power & Light. They filed their testimony that indicates some
2 of the cost information.

3 MR. McNULTY: That's correct.

4 COMMISSIONER JABER: And if we were inclined to allow
5 FPL to put some of those incremental costs through the clause,
6 there isn't anything that prevent us in the true-up to -- we
7 true them up in the next hearing.

8 MR. McNULTY: Correct.

9 COMMISSIONER JABER: If we decide not to allow FPL to
10 put those costs through the fuel clause, we put these companies
11 in a position of including these costs in rate cases.

12 MR. McNULTY: Ostensibly, recovery through the rate
13 cases, yes.

14 COMMISSIONER JABER: Okay. Now, as it relates to
15 FPL, we have an ongoing rate proceeding, but let's assume that
16 there wasn't one -- well, and there are companies that don't
17 have rate proceedings pending. It might be that the amount of
18 the costs actually puts them in the posture of filing rate
19 cases. We don't know. We don't have that testimony in this
20 record.

21 MR. McNULTY: That's correct.

22 COMMISSIONER JABER: Now -- and if those costs are
23 uncertain -- if those costs are uncertain, it may be that the
24 companies -- I guess what I'm trying to do is not restrict the
25 Commission but at the same time not take the opportunity for

1 cost recovery away from the companies during proceedings we
2 have pending. I mean, I think -- FPL is sort of in a unique
3 situation because they've included the testimony in this
4 proceeding, and we have a pending rate case. I'm more
5 concerned with the companies I know are obviously affected,
6 that don't have rate cases.

7 MR. McNULTY: Let me add just at least one piece of
8 information to that, and that's that for the one utility that
9 has come forward, Florida Power & Light, to indicate what their
10 costs -- they anticipate being, those costs are for the purpose
11 of protecting nuclear facilities. And even those costs that
12 they -- the smaller amount of costs that are -- have been
13 established in the record for the purposes of protecting fossil
14 plants are -- you know, they are also, as a primary purpose,
15 protecting a nearby nuclear facility.

16 So when we talk about any utility that may not be in
17 a rate case situation at this time, we're talking about a
18 particular company that may not have nuclear facilities.

19 COMMISSIONER JABER: But the security measures apply
20 to all of the electric plants, regardless of whether it's
21 nuclear, coal or oil.

22 MR. McNULTY: Right. And these incremental costs, at
23 least those that have been filed by Florida Power & Light, are
24 describing costs that are external costs in nature. Costs for
25 local, state, federal security measures. Those kinds of costs,

1 those incremental costs, have fallen mostly towards the
2 protection of nuclear facilities.

3 COMMISSIONER JABER: Do you agree that what the
4 ultimate costs will be and whether those costs are recurring is
5 not yet clear?

6 MR. McNULTY: It's not clear what these costs are
7 going to be. I don't think anyone knows, and that's as much
8 as, I guess, I could say about that.

9 COMMISSIONER JABER: Commissioners, I've struggled
10 with this issue because the reality of September 11th changed,
11 obviously, a lot, and it certainly changed the way we should
12 look at these issues. My struggle is this, I don't want to,
13 because of the lack of certainty, create a situation where
14 we're getting rate cases every year just because of the impact
15 related to the updated security measures. Of course -- and I
16 have to reconcile that with, we only have information from FPL
17 thus far.

18 COMMISSIONER PALECKI: Commissioner Jaber, I agree
19 with you. I have a concern that I would like to send a very
20 strong message to all of the investor-owned utilities that we
21 encourage the utilities to protect their generation assets in
22 times of emergency. The second concern I have is that we don't
23 know what those costs will be over a long-term period. What
24 we're seeing right now in the next year or two, it may be an
25 anomaly. I would prefer seeing these costs collected at least

1 in the short term through the fuel clause and perhaps down the
2 road conduct another study or a docket to determine if there
3 might be a better way. But I think for now, I'm fairly
4 comfortable allowing these costs to go through the clause, and
5 I'm also of the opinion that by doing so we're sending a
6 message that we encourage our utilities to protect these
7 assets.

8 COMMISSIONER DEASON: Let me say that I'm in
9 agreement with that. First of all, let me say that I think
10 everyone would agree that we're in an extraordinary situation.
11 And when you find yourselves in an extraordinary situation, you
12 need to sometimes take extraordinary steps. I classify it as
13 extraordinary. I don't want that to be misconstrued. I think
14 it's certainly within our discretion to classify these costs
15 such that they would be eligible for recovery through a fuel
16 adjustment mechanism. I believe that there is a nexus between
17 fuel savings and our policy for trying to encourage fuel
18 savings, and what we find here is maintaining the fuel savings
19 which exist from these facilities.

20 I think it's also clear that there is potential
21 volatility in the amounts of these costs, which is another
22 reason that fuel costs are in a clause to begin with. There is
23 volatility in the nature of these costs. I have comfort in
24 that these costs will be trued up. The witness from Florida
25 Power & Light indicated that they can be separately accounted

1 for, and with that assurance and that they can be audited and
2 be verified and they can also be reviewed in the upcoming rate
3 proceeding. Also, I believe there's a better match in the
4 timing between the incurrence of these costs and the recovery
5 of those costs if we go ahead and allow recovery in the fuel
6 adjustment proceeding.

7 So for all of those reasons -- and I agree, too, with
8 Commissioner Palecki that it sends the right messages to the
9 utilities. I'm confident our utilities would expend what is
10 necessary regardless of whether we approved the recovery or the
11 deferral of these amounts. But I think it shows a partnership
12 between the customers of the utility and the utility, and that
13 these measures are taken in the interest of the customers. I
14 think that we -- to some extent, we all feel like we're under
15 attack and that this is a move in the right direction. And I
16 think this is the appropriate thing to do at this time.

17 COMMISSIONER JABER: Yeah. Now, saying all of that,
18 I would go a step further, though, and not require the other
19 companies to come in just yet. There was a separate issue as
20 it relates to the other companies. I am supportive of allowing
21 FPL's costs as submitted in the supplemental testimony to pass
22 through the clause, but allowing the companies, the other
23 companies, when they deem appropriate to seek whatever recovery
24 they deem it appropriate, and that might not happen. I mean,
25 it may be that for whatever reason there aren't incremental

1 costs or not of a nature that would warrant a separate
2 petition.

3 COMMISSIONER DEASON: Let me echo that too. And I
4 would notice that it would seem to be that the bulk of these
5 costs are nuclear generation related, and we only have two
6 companies with nuclear facilities. I wouldn't want my comments
7 to be interpreted that the companies feel obligated now to come
8 forward with a proposal to recoup incremental security costs,
9 but that's within their discretion. They need to evaluate on
10 that -- on their own, find out what's best for their particular
11 situation. And if they feel it appropriate, they would
12 certainly have that latitude to do that in the future. But I'm
13 not -- I don't want to insinuate that because other companies
14 have not come forward that somehow they're derelict, because I
15 think that is not the case at all.

16 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Commissioners, I agree absolutely
17 that this is a very challenging issue, one that I have been
18 involved with for probably too long. And the companies are in
19 a difficult position. We participated initially with the task
20 force here, and it was absolutely clear that the preeminent
21 concern was on public health and safety. And the companies
22 were cooperating in trying to address those issues.

23 And the uncertainty of these events absolutely
24 project a level of risk that no one could anticipate. However,
25 I am also just as convinced that they are very smart people,

1 very intelligent people who work in these companies who have
2 been involved with disasters of substantial magnitudes. I have
3 never been more impressed than when I toured the Turkey Point
4 facility and saw what happened at that facility when Hurricane
5 Andrew went through. It was an incredible example of the
6 fortitude of the company and its resilience in its ability to
7 recover.

8 For those very reasons, I say it is absolutely
9 correct not only to engage in these practices, but to do them
10 in a reasoned orderly fashion. I believe that we are too early
11 in this process to understand what that really means. I'm not
12 prepared at this point to say that, you know, any means of any
13 expenditure is absolutely on its face appropriate to be passed
14 through to the ratepayer. That's not to say that it's not a
15 reasonable thing for the companies to engage in this exercise
16 to go and look at what the means and measures that are
17 necessary to employ, but I also think it is absolutely
18 important to go explore what would come from other means of
19 support for security measures that are being undertaken. Will
20 that happen in a true-up process with a fuel clause? Will we
21 see those expenses come back in later on to reduce the increase
22 in the fuel clause that occurs because we allow security
23 expenses in? I don't know. Those questions remain unanswered,
24 and I would love to see those questions answered before we
25 embark on that analysis.

1 I've seen also that there is an incredible
2 determination from the public. And I reason I think that's a
3 reasonable view to take is that there is an incredible
4 determination from the decision-makers in this country, in this
5 state to secure these means. And you don't want to send a
6 message that, you know, come talk to this Commission before you
7 make an expenditure. We absolutely have to send a message and
8 a signal to the company that, go forward, pursue reasonable and
9 efficient measures of enhancing your security.

10 But my experience in Y2K and my experience here
11 confirms the idea that a reasoned analysis is incredibly
12 important here, and it confirms the idea that our signals will
13 be taken for what they say. And I hate to say this, but it's
14 true. If we don't make it clear that we're expecting reasoned
15 decisions and we will impose upon those decisions a reasoned
16 analysis, we will be setting expectations as well. And my
17 desire today is set the expectation that, go forward, undertake
18 very reasoned measures, come to us with adequate support and
19 proof of how those were necessary in the context of your
20 operations, and I think there's every expectation that those
21 expenses should be recovered.

22 I'm not clear yet that this recovery clause is the
23 place, and it may very well turn out that it is. I'm not
24 ruling that out as well, but we're too early in the analysis
25 for me to have a clear understanding on that today.

1 COMMISSIONER JABER: Okay. Commissioners, on 17B my
2 motion would be to deny staff's recommendation and to allow FPL
3 to recover the incremental security costs through the fuel cost
4 recovery clause. That recognizes that this doesn't preclude
5 the Commission from down the road looking at a different manner
6 or mechanism of handling the cost recovery after the costs
7 become more defined.

8 COMMISSIONER PALECKI: I would second the motion.

9 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: A motion and a second. Further
10 discussion?

11 All in favor?

12 COMMISSIONER PALECKI: Aye.

13 COMMISSIONER BAEZ: Aye.

14 COMMISSIONER JABER: Aye.

15 COMMISSIONER DEASON: Aye.

16 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Opposed?

17 Nay.

18 Show it passes, four-to-one.

19 17C.

20 MR. McNULTY: Commissioners, 17C is, "Should the
21 Commission require the investor-owned electric utilities'
22 levelized fuel cost recovery factors and the net purchased
23 power cost recovery amounts for the period January 2002 through
24 December 2002 to be based upon updated energy, demand, and
25 price forecasts that include the economic impact of increased

1 national security concerns since September 11, 2001?"

2 And staff's recommendation is, no, the utilities
3 should not be required to revise their forecasts and their
4 factors as such. While FPL did revise their fuel and capacity
5 factors based on revised energy and demand forecasts associated
6 with the changed economic environment of September 11th, 2001,
7 Florida Power Corporation, Tampa Electric Company, and Gulf
8 Power Company did not revise their factors based on updated
9 forecasts.

10 Commission Order 13994 indicates that revised filings
11 and revised factors based on changed assumptions are not
12 required unless an over- or underrecovery in excess of
13 10 percent is anticipated. There is no evidence in this
14 proceeding to suggest that the utilities' proposed factors
15 would result in this threshold level of over- or underrecovery.
16 Thus, staff recommends that these utilities should not be
17 required to base their fuel and capacity factors on revised
18 forecasts.

19 COMMISSIONER JABER: Okay. Bill, I think to be
20 consistent with our vote on 17B and what I -- and what the
21 Commissioners discussed, I think all I need to do is move your
22 recommendation on 17C. Wouldn't that be consistent?

23 MR. McNULTY: I believe so.

24 COMMISSIONER DEASON: I believe that's correct, too,
25 and I'd second the motion.

1 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: A motion and a second. Any further
2 discussion?

3 All in favor.

4 COMMISSIONER DEASON: Aye.

5 COMMISSIONER BAEZ: Aye.

6 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Aye.

7 COMMISSIONER JABER: Aye.

8 COMMISSIONER PALECKI: Aye.

9 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Show that passes.

10 18K. Commissioners, let me make sure -- were there
11 any discussions on any of the other issues, or are we going to
12 go back and deal with all those fallouts? Because that was my
13 anticipation, we'll go back and deal with all the others as
14 fallouts; correct?

15 MR. KEATING: I believe that the remaining
16 non-fallout issues are 18K and 21C, D, G, and H.

17 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Right. 18K.

18 COMMISSIONER DEASON: I can move -- well, I know it's
19 staff's position that we do not allow recovery, but I believe
20 that the amounts which Florida Power & Light have come forward
21 and identified, given that there's going to be the ability to
22 segregate these amounts and they would be subject to true-up,
23 that the amounts that have been presented by Florida Power &
24 Light would be reasonable for recovery through this fuel
25 adjustment proceeding.

1 COMMISSIONER JABER: Second.

2 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Moved and seconded. Any further
3 discussion?

4 All in favor?

5 COMMISSIONER JABER: Aye.

6 COMMISSIONER DEASON: Aye.

7 COMMISSIONER BAEZ: Aye.

8 COMMISSIONER PALECKI: Aye.

9 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Opposed?

10 Nay.

11 Show that passes.

12 21C, I believe, is the next --

13 MS. HARLOW: Mr. Chairman, with your permission,
14 staff would like to take up 21D first, please.

15 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Okay. Is that okay? 21D.

16 MS. HARLOW: 21D is the issue, "For the period
17 January 1998 to December 2000, were TECO's decisions regarding
18 its wholesale energy purchases from and its wholesale energy
19 sales to nonaffiliated entities reasonable?"

20 Staff's position on this issue is that the evidence
21 indicates that TECO's actions regarding its wholesale
22 transactions during this period were indeed reasonable. No
23 evidence has been presented that suggests that TECO's actions
24 taken in managing its wholesale transactions or in allocating
25 the costs associated with these transactions are inappropriate

1 during this time period.

2 Staff does not believe that further study of this
3 issue is warranted at this time. TECO hasn't entered into any
4 new long-term separated firm wholesale sales agreement since
5 1995. The last new firm sale of any kind made by TECO was a
6 nine-month nonseparated sale in 1998.

7 TECO's reserve margins were estimated to be
8 15 percent or greater over the planning horizon at the time
9 each of the current firm contracts were signed. All of TECO's
10 firm sales are cost-based with FERC-approved pricing. None of
11 the existing firm contracts are market-priced. Only one of
12 TECO's separated sales is currently recallable. TECO presented
13 evidence that this sale has been recalled to serve firm load.
14 No evidence has been presented that TECO is managing its
15 current firm contracts inappropriately or that it was
16 inappropriate to enter into TECO's current separated sales.

17 With regard to nonfirm nonseparated sales, TECO is
18 currently only entering into these types of sales agreements.
19 TECO has a policy of recalling these sales if capacity is
20 needed to serve both firm and nonfirm retail load. FIPUG's
21 Witness Collins stated that the issue at hand was not whether
22 TECO's management of its wholesale sales was appropriate but
23 rather whether TECO's costs, including purchased power costs,
24 are allocated appropriately to wholesale customers.

25 Capital and O&M costs for generating plant necessary

1 to make separated sales are allocated to wholesale customers
2 appropriately. This reduces capital costs for retail customers
3 when putting new plant in service for which total capacity is
4 not immediately needed to serve retail load. A complete review
5 of the effect of separated sales on retail customers must
6 include the reduction in capital costs associated with serving
7 separated wholesale customers. Staff agrees with FIPUG's
8 Witnesses Collins and Pollock that separated sales should be
9 charged average system fuel costs. Staff also agrees with
10 FIPUG that average system fuel costs should include both
11 generation and purchased power costs. The Commission's Order
12 Number PSC-97-0262-FOF-EI required that on a perspective basis
13 separated sales should be allocated average system fuel costs.
14 TECO appears to be adhering to this Commission policy.

15 Only one of TECO's separated sales has fuel costs
16 based on a specified unit. TECO's one unit sale was entered
17 into in 1989, prior to the Commission's order regarding
18 charging fuel costs -- excuse me, system average fuel costs to
19 separated sales. Staff disagrees with FIPUG that retail
20 customers are being charged for 100 percent of TECO's purchased
21 power costs. Staff further disagrees with FIPUG that separated
22 wholesale customers are not paying for TECO's purchased power
23 costs but are charged rates based solely on fuel costs for
24 so-called low cost generation. Staff notes that FIPUG Witness
25 Collins' subsidy calculation is based on this incorrect

1 assumption. Purchased power costs allocated to separated
2 wholesale customers are included in the total fuel costs paid
3 by separated customers as indicated on Line 29 of Schedules
4 A1 and E1. A comparison of Line 29 and 30 on the E1 Schedule
5 supports the position that on a going-forward basis, TECO
6 expects the average fuel cost per megawatt hour charged to
7 separated wholesale customers to be approximately the same as
8 that for retail customers.

9 Staff agrees with FIPUG that nonseparated sales
10 should be charged incremental fuel costs and that these costs
11 should be used to determine the gains on these sales. This is
12 consistent with the Commission's ruling in Docket Number
13 010283-EI. TECO's policy regarding using incremental fuel
14 costs whether from generation or purchased power to calculate
15 the gains on nonseparated sales is apparently consistent with
16 the Commission's order and FIPUG's position. Given TECO's use
17 of incremental fuel costs to calculate the gains, staff
18 disagrees with FIPUG that retail customers received little
19 benefit from nonseparated sales. Retail customers receive
20 100 percent of the gains from these sales up to a benchmark
21 based on past sales after which gains were shared 80/20 between
22 retail ratepayers and shareholders.

23 With regard to TECO's buy-through purchases for its
24 nonfirm retail customers, there was no evidence in the record
25 that TECO's purchases or buy-through power on behalf of

1 interruptible retail customers was inappropriate. FIPUG's
2 witnesses stated that the cost per kilowatt hour of buy-through
3 power was increasing. The record indicates that no buy-through
4 power was purchased by TECO from TECO affiliates. Therefore,
5 there is no reason to believe that TECO has an incentive to
6 purchase high-priced buy-through power.

7 And that concludes staff's discussion of that issue.

8 COMMISSIONER DEASON: First of all, I'd like to say I
9 want to commend staff for your very thorough analysis of this
10 complex issue on such a short turnaround, and I can
11 wholeheartedly move adoption of your recommendation.

12 COMMISSIONER JABER: Second.

13 COMMISSIONER PALECKI: I'd just like to discuss this
14 further. I agree with Commissioner Deason that -- and support
15 the staff's recommendation. Based on the record in this
16 proceeding we cannot say that TECO has violated any existing
17 Commission policy with its allocation of costs between
18 wholesale and retail. And I believe that there needs to be
19 predictability and uniformity in Commission policy so that our
20 utilities can base their behavior on what this Commission has
21 pronounced.

22 What I'm not sure I'm comfortable about is whether on
23 a going-forward basis we need to look at our policy with regard
24 to allocation of costs between wholesale and retail. And I
25 certainly support the staff's recommendation with regard to

1 this fuel proceeding. But I think I heard enough in this
2 proceeding to give me some pause as to whether or not we need
3 to look more closely at our policy with regard to this issue.
4 So I guess what I'm saying is, I support the staff's
5 recommendation wholeheartedly, but I don't want to close off
6 this issue to study this further on a going-forward basis.

7 COMMISSIONER DEASON: Let me make it clear that my
8 motion is not to go forward with opening any investigation at
9 this point. So if that's what your contemplating, I think
10 we're in a disagreement on that. I think we have -- we're
11 duty-bound to continue to monitor situations. And if
12 circumstances dictate that there's something that needs to be
13 modified, I think staff will be diligent in their
14 responsibilities and bring that to our attention. But as far
15 as us today opening an investigation, that's not part of my
16 motion, and if there's a majority of the Commission that wants
17 to do that, my only word of advice would be, clearly at this
18 point define what you think is the problem areas that we can
19 focus the investigation on that. I'm not sure there's anything
20 right at this point that's broken that needs any investigation.

21 So I'm not trying -- you know, if there's something
22 that can be identified, and we can clearly say that this
23 particular area needs to be investigated for this reason, I may
24 be convinced, but right now I don't know what that is. And
25 before we embark on such an endeavor, I certainly think it

1 would be incumbent upon us to identify that. But just to let
2 me reiterate, my motion is to adopt staff's recommendation
3 which at this point does not envision opening an investigation
4 docket.

5 COMMISSIONER JABER: That was my second. I was clear
6 on your motion and that was second. But I think, staff, also
7 you may want to just take an opportunity to let
8 Commissioner Palecki and the rest of us know that you have
9 looked at this issue each year. This is not sort of -- this
10 isn't unique to this year's proceeding, and you do monitor the
11 allocation of costs between wholesale and retail. Do you want
12 to --

13 MS. HARLOW: That's correct. And I'd also like to
14 make the brief point that if you look back at the witnesses'
15 testimony, FIPUG's witnesses' testimony, I believe the company
16 is actually allocating the costs according to FIPUG's own
17 desires. And I simply believe that it was a misinterpretation
18 of the A Schedules by those witnesses. So I believe what FIPUG
19 asked for in their list of requirements was indeed what the
20 company is adhering to.

21 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Let me ask this. I recognize that
22 in this particular instance -- and let me say up front. I can
23 agree with the analysis, and I think you have done a good job
24 at looking at these facts, but let me take it a little bit
25 broader than these facts.

1 As I understand it, a lot of the genesis of the
2 contracts come because of the juxtaposition of the wholesale
3 manner of contracting versus how that gets treated in the
4 retail jurisdiction. Is that -- in other words, when a
5 wholesale contract can be based on a certain level of
6 allocating costs versus what has to happen in the retail, there
7 is some tension. Is that a fair statement?

8 MS. HARLOW: Well, I believe there may be some
9 conflict if I were analyzing this issue myself. I believe
10 there may be some conflict or some cause for pause about how
11 the costs are allocated. In this case, it's 94 percent,
12 6 percent wholesale. And so the staff does look at, is the
13 94 percent appropriate? And it's based on the relative loads
14 of the two groups, retail versus wholesale, and we do indeed
15 look at that.

16 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Understood. And again, I'm trying
17 to project a little bit outside of these particular fact
18 circumstances. And let me say this, as we move -- if it is
19 anticipated that we move towards a market where you will have a
20 much more prominent component of wholesale transactions, okay,
21 that tension that exists even at 94/6 will still exist and
22 perhaps will grow is my question.

23 MS. HARLOW: Well, again, keep in mind that you would
24 have to look at separated sales versus nonseparated sales and
25 how those costs are allocated differently to each of those two

1 different types of sales.

2 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: And it is your anticipation, then,
3 that in that new environment all of those will be separated?

4 MS. HARLOW: We certainly don't see TECO taking those
5 actions at this point in time, and in our analysis we only
6 looked at TECO. But the movement we have seen on TECO's part
7 recently is all the new contracts that have been signed since
8 1998 that are -- to my knowledge, have been nonseparated sales.

9 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: And even for the unit power sales,
10 would you anticipate that those become system versus unit --
11 continue to be unit-based?

12 MS. HARLOW: Well, on a perspective basis, according
13 to the Commission's order, that is the action that TECO would
14 be required to take, yes, sir.

15 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: And so understand my -- and this is
16 really kind of like -- think about this as we move forward to
17 these marketplaces. As we move forward and under those
18 criteria, that argument while fairly minor in this point,
19 perhaps even moot, can take on more credibility because it
20 could very well occur that the -- that to the extent you have
21 these nonseparated transactions that will grow in their volume
22 and prominence, you could have these issues, these tensions
23 that will continue to grow. And my only suggestion is, if
24 Commissioner Deason is asking for identification of some issue,
25 don't rule that out. If you're going to look at how you're

1 going to define this, don't just narrow it down to specifically
2 whether the i's were dotted here and the t's were crossed
3 because I believe they were. I think these things were done.

4 But let's look at the overall market that we say we
5 want to have, which is a market where you have diversity and
6 you have good, strong, robust competition. And if that's what
7 you want, are we enunciating policies now to promote that? And
8 as we go down the road, let's be clear about that. Okay.
9 That's my only suggestion. If we identify issues, let's do
10 that.

11 COMMISSIONER DEASON: Let me say that I think this
12 Commission has -- to the degree that we have the ability and
13 under the current statutory framework, we have taken steps to
14 try to foster competition. And one of the ways we have done
15 that is, we've given incentives to companies to make
16 cost-effective wholesale sales. That is competition. Maybe
17 it's a limited competition, but nevertheless it's competition.
18 And I think that TECO has taken appropriate actions consistent
19 with that policy.

20 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: I agree. I do not dispute that at
21 all. All I'm suggesting is, as we move forward and if you
22 really want to explore how to get good, strong competition and
23 to put this agency in a position to be able to address that
24 effectively -- because understand, what you're going to be
25 doing is more and more upsetting here looking at this kind of a

1 story.

2 This story is not going to go away. It's going to
3 become the predominant story that you're going to see, and I
4 heard a very well engaged discussion here on these issues. I
5 guarantee you that you have -- this argument will not go away.
6 It will become more engaged and become more pronounced. And if
7 we don't begin to get clear about how we're going to address
8 it, it will become overwhelming. That's all I'm saying. Thank
9 you.

10 COMMISSIONER JABER: A motion and a second.

11 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: I had a motion and a second.

12 COMMISSIONER BAEZ: Is there a second? Second.

13 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: I'm sorry, there was a second.

14 So all in favor on Issue 21D as in David?

15 COMMISSIONER JABER: Aye.

16 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Aye.

17 COMMISSIONER DEASON: Aye.

18 COMMISSIONER BAEZ: Aye.

19 COMMISSIONER PALECKI: Aye.

20 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Opposed?

21 Show it passes.

22 COMMISSIONER PALECKI: And I would just like to state
23 that, as I said, I fully support the staff's recommendation,
24 and insofar as I have any concerns on a going-forward basis,
25 I'll sit down with staff.

1 COMMISSIONER DEASON: And I'll certainly have an open
2 mind if you find anything.

3 COMMISSIONER PALECKI: Thank you.

4 COMMISSIONER DEASON: I'm not aware of anything at
5 this point.

6 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: So now we will go to 21C. Do you
7 want to go there? I thought you said you wanted to do D
8 first and then C; correct?

9 MS. HARLOW: Yes, sir. Thank you. Moving on to
10 Issue 21C, which is, "For the period January 1998 to
11 December 2000, were TECO's decisions regarding its wholesale
12 energy purchases from and its wholesale energy sales to Hardee
13 Power Partners reasonable?"

14 Staff's position is that TECO's transactions
15 regarding Hardee Power Partners during this period of time
16 were, indeed, reasonable. No evidence has been presented that
17 suggests that TECO's actions regarding its wholesale energy
18 purchases from and its wholesale energy sales to Hardee Power
19 Partners were inappropriate during this time period.

20 Staff does not believe that further study of this
21 issue is warranted at this time. TECO's contract with Hardee
22 Power Partners is FERC-approved and cost-based. The original
23 contract was appropriately compared to other available capacity
24 and energy options. TECO's latest amendment to the contract
25 compares favorably to the forwards energy market price even if

1 the capacity costs of the Hardee contract are included.

2 Further, the separated sale of 145 megawatts to TECO
3 Power Services from Hardee is TECO's only unit-based sale.
4 This contract was signed in 1989 and expires on December 31,
5 2002. This sale was reviewed in the Hardee need determination
6 by this Commission. TECO has no plans to renegotiate this sale
7 at this time. The Big Bend 4 capacity will then flow back to
8 TECO's retail ratepayers at the contract's expiration date.

9 And this concludes staff's discussion of this issue.

10 COMMISSIONER DEASON: Once again, I appreciate
11 staff's very thorough analysis, and I would move adoption of
12 staff's recommendation.

13 COMMISSIONER BAEZ: Second.

14 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Motion and seconded. Any further
15 discussion?

16 All in favor.

17 COMMISSIONER JABER: Aye.

18 COMMISSIONER DEASON: Aye.

19 COMMISSIONER BAEZ: Aye.

20 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Aye.

21 COMMISSIONER PALECKI: Aye.

22 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Opposed?

23 Show it approved.

24 21H I believe is the next one.

25 COMMISSIONER JABER: G?

1 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Did you mention G?

2 MS. DRAPER: We have 21G first.

3 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Did you say G? I'm sorry, I missed
4 it, 21G.

5 COMMISSIONER DEASON: Is staff's recommendation as
6 contained in the prehearing order?

7 MS. DRAPER: Yes. 21G reads, "Does Tampa Electric
8 currently allocate 100 percent of purchased power costs to
9 retail customers? If so, what action, if any, should the
10 Commission take?"

11 And based on the evidence we heard today, staff's
12 position remains as stated in the prehearing order.

13 COMMISSIONER DEASON: I move staff's recommendation.

14 COMMISSIONER PALECKI: Second.

15 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Motion and seconded. Any further
16 discussion?

17 All in favor?

18 COMMISSIONER JABER: Aye.

19 COMMISSIONER DEASON: Aye.

20 COMMISSIONER BAEZ: Aye.

21 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Aye.

22 COMMISSIONER PALECKI: Aye.

23 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Opposed?

24 Show it approved.

25 MR. BOHRMANN: Issue 21H is, "Should Tampa Electric's

1 separated wholesale sales be charged average system fuel costs
2 and should nonseparated sales be charged system incremental
3 costs?"

4 Staff's recommendation is as stated in the prehearing
5 order, and based upon the evidence heard the past two days,
6 staff has not heard anything that would alter its
7 recommendation.

8 COMMISSIONER DEASON: I move approval of staff's
9 recommendation.

10 COMMISSIONER JABER: Second.

11 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Motion and seconded. Any further
12 discussion?

13 All in ?

14 COMMISSIONER DEASON: Aye.

15 COMMISSIONER PALECKI: Aye.

16 COMMISSIONER JABER: Aye.

17 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Aye.

18 COMMISSIONER BAEZ: Aye.

19 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Opposed?

20 Show it approved.

21 Now, as I understood it, that was the last issue that
22 had --

23 MR. KEATING: That is all of the issues that are not
24 fallouts, yes. The remaining issues are 1, 2, 3, 4, and 7.

25 COMMISSIONER DEASON: Well, let me ask you, I may be

1 confused, when do we deal with Florida Power & Light's revised
2 sales forecast and the resulting changes to the fuel cost and
3 fuel factors?

4 MR. KEATING: I believe that Florida Power & Light's
5 positions on these issues all reflect the revised factors. We
6 don't have a -- I guess --

7 COMMISSIONER DEASON: It's not a separately stated
8 issue.

9 MR. KEATING: -- it's not a separately stated issue
10 on whether we accept those revised factors.

11 COMMISSIONER DEASON: So we just need to clarify
12 which forecast and which factors we're approving when we get to
13 Florida Power & Light; correct?

14 MR. KEATING: Yes.

15 COMMISSIONER DEASON: Okay.

16 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Did you say Issue 3 just now?

17 MR. KEATING: 1, 2, 3, 4, and 7. And staff can
18 address these as we go through them. I would make one point
19 with respect to Issue 1 at the start. With all the companies
20 except for TECO, staff had taken the position as shown in the
21 prehearing order. For Florida Power Corporation, Florida Power
22 & Light, our position indicates an underrecovery amount for
23 each that is in agreement with the companies numbers. We had
24 elaborated on our position by stating that the Commission
25 maintains jurisdiction over revenues credited and costs charged

1 to the fuel and purchased power cost recovery clause pending
2 resolution of Issues 18A and 19D.

3 Now, those were two of the hedging-related issues
4 that were deferred from this proceeding. 18A was specific to
5 Florida Power & Light's actions for a specified period of time,
6 going back to March '99, and Florida Power Corporation's Issue
7 19D was specific to Florida Power Corporation's actions for
8 that -- roughly that same period of time, I believe.

9 It's staff's belief that the Commission does have the
10 jurisdiction to go back and look at those numbers. Even though
11 there's a final true-up number that's approved in that
12 proceeding and that the case law supports going back and
13 disallowing imprudent costs, I think Florida Power & Light
14 would prefer to not concede that issue at this point. So staff
15 would withdraw that portion of its position after the
16 underrecovery amount on Issue 1 for Florida Power Corporation
17 and Florida Power & Light, and allow the Commission's
18 jurisdiction to go back -- to reach back to whatever period we
19 would look at to be resolved if and when necessary.

20 COMMISSIONER JABER: Mr. Keating, let me take you
21 back. I got stuck on Commissioner's Deason's question. I
22 thought that the positions you have under staff for FPL do
23 include the changes as a result of the supplemental testimony
24 on the updated factors that we received from FPL.

25 MR. BOHRMANN: The updated retail sales forecasts

1 would have an impact upon the factors for 2002, but these
2 numbers in Issue 1 only deal with expenses incurred in the year
3 2000.

4 COMMISSIONER JABER: Okay. But as it relates to the
5 issues going forward, where the supplemental testimony updated
6 or modified the older numbers, you've put that into your
7 position, haven't you?

8 MS. DRAPER: Staff's position on Issue 4, the
9 levelized fact, and Issue 7, all the factors include FPL's
10 updated testimony and forecasts.

11 COMMISSIONER JABER: All right. Thank you.

12 COMMISSIONER DEASON: I can move approval of staff's
13 recommendation on Issue 1.

14 COMMISSIONER JABER: Second.

15 COMMISSIONER PALECKI: Second.

16 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Motion and seconded.

17 All in favor?

18 COMMISSIONER JABER: Aye.

19 COMMISSIONER DEASON: Aye.

20 COMMISSIONER PALECKI: Aye.

21 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Aye.

22 COMMISSIONER BAEZ: Aye.

23 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Show it approved.

24 MR. KEATING: One thing I should point out on Issue
25 1, staff had not taken a position yet for TECO pending

1 resolution of Issues 21C and D, and I'll let staff inform you
2 what that number is that we'd be recommending.

3 MR. BOHRMANN: Staff agrees with TECO's position for
4 Issue 1.

5 COMMISSIONER DEASON: Well, then just clarify to that
6 what we just -- that's your recommendation, and we just
7 approved that, and I don't think there's -- I contemplated that
8 was the situation when I made the motion.

9 MR. BOHRMANN: Thank you. Issue 2 is, "What are the
10 appropriate estimated/actual fuel adjustment true-up amounts
11 for the period January 2001 through December 2001?"

12 This issue had already been stipulated as for FPC --
13 two divisions of FPC and for Gulf, and staff's positions for
14 Florida Power --

15 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: You mean FPU.

16 MR. BOHRMANN: Excuse me?

17 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: You said stipulated for two
18 divisions of FPC. You meant FPU.

19 MR. BOHRMANN: FPUC. Excuse me, FPUC. Staff's
20 position for Florida Power and FPL are reflected in the
21 prehearing order on Page 13, and staff agrees with Tampa
22 Electric's number as it's reflected for Issue 2.

23 COMMISSIONER DEASON: Move staff.

24 COMMISSIONER PALECKI: Second.

25 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Motion and seconded. Any further

1 discussion?

2 All in favor?

3 COMMISSIONER JABER: Aye.

4 COMMISSIONER DEASON: Aye.

5 COMMISSIONER BAEZ: Aye.

6 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Aye.

7 COMMISSIONER PALECKI: Aye.

8 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Opposed?

9 Show it approved.

10 MR. BOHRMANN: Issue 3, "What are the appropriate
11 total fuel adjustment true-up amounts to be collected/refunded
12 from January 2002 to December 2002?"

13 This issue, once again, had been stipulated as for
14 the two divisions of FPUC and for Gulf Power. And our
15 positions for Florida Power and FPL are reflected on Page 14 of
16 the prehearing order, and staff agrees with Tampa Electric's
17 position for Issue 3.

18 COMMISSIONER DEASON: Move staff.

19 COMMISSIONER BAEZ: Second.

20 COMMISSIONER PALECKI: Second.

21 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Moved and seconded. All in favor?

22 COMMISSIONER JABER: Aye.

23 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Aye.

24 COMMISSIONER PALECKI: Aye.

25 COMMISSIONER BAEZ: Aye.

1 COMMISSIONER DEASON: Aye.

2 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Opposed?

3 Show it approved.

4 MS. DRAPER: Issue 4 reads, "What are the appropriate
5 levelized fuel cost recovery factors for the period January
6 2002 to December 2002?"

7 The issue shows stipulated for FPUC, Gulf, and FPC.
8 And staff agrees with respect to FPL and TECO with their
9 position as stated.

10 COMMISSIONER DEASON: Move staff.

11 COMMISSIONER JABER: Okay. So, for example, on this
12 issue, under FPL, they've got no position pending resolution of
13 17B and 18K.

14 MS. DRAPER: And those were resolved where TECO had
15 presented their numbers, so it doesn't -- the way FPL has
16 presented the numbers, so it doesn't change the 2.860 cents per
17 kilowatt hour.

18 COMMISSIONER JABER: Okay. Great. I can second.

19 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Moved and seconded. All in favor?

20 COMMISSIONER DEASON: Aye.

21 COMMISSIONER PALECKI: Aye.

22 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Aye.

23 COMMISSIONER JABER: Aye.

24 COMMISSIONER BAEZ: Aye.

25 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Opposed?

1 Show it approved.

2 Issue 7, I believe; right?

3 MS. DRAPER: Issue 7 is, "What are the appropriate
4 fuel cost recovery factors for each rate class?"

5 And again, it has been stipulated for FPUC, Gulf, and
6 FPC. And with respect to FPL and TECO, staff agrees with the
7 way the utilities have presented the numbers.

8 COMMISSIONER DEASON: Move staff.

9 COMMISSIONER PALECKI: Second.

10 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Moved and seconded.

11 All in favor?

12 COMMISSIONER JABER: Aye.

13 COMMISSIONER DEASON: Aye.

14 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Aye.

15 COMMISSIONER BAEZ: Aye.

16 COMMISSIONER PALECKI: Aye.

17 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Opposed?

18 Show it approved.

19 Are there any other issues that we need to address
20 now specifically?

21 MR. KEATING: I believe that that addresses all of
22 the issues.

23 CHAIRMAN JACOBS: Anything from the parties?

24 Thank you very much. This is always quite an
25 experience. Thank you, parties, for the diligence. If there's

1 nothing else to come before us today, we're adjourned.

2 (Hearing concluded at 1:05 p.m.)

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