

## BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Review of Florida Power Corporation's Earnings, Including Effects of Proposed Acquisition of Florida Power Corporation by Carolina Power & Light

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### FLORIDA POWER CORPORATION'S NOTICE OF FILING

Florida Power Corporation ("Florida Power") hereby gives notice of filing of the original affidavit of Mark A. Myers in support of Florida Power's Second Request for Confidential Classification previously filed on February 1, 2002.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished to all counsel listed on the attached service list via U.S. Mail this 6<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2002.

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## AFFIDAVIT OF MARK A. MYERS

# STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF PINELLAS

- I, Mark A. Myers, having first been duly sworn, do hereby state as follows:
- 1. My name is Mark A. Myers. I am employed by Florida Power Corporation ("Florida Power" or "the Company") as Vice President of Finance. The facts stated in this affidavit are based upon my personal knowledge.
- 2. I have reviewed the Request for Confidential Classification and Justification Matrix to which this affidavit is attached. The confidential information identified in the Request and Justification Matrix is intended to be confidential and is treated by Florida Power and its related companies as confidential. None of the confidential information has been publicly disclosed.
- 3. Public disclosure of the confidential information would harm the Company and its ratepayers and would impair the Company's competitive interests. The Request for Confidential Classification and the Justification Matrix accurately describe the harm to the Company and its ratepayers that would be caused by public disclosure of the confidential information.
- 4. The Documents, including spreadsheets produced on a CD and identified by filename in the Justification Matrix, contain information about load demands for FPC's wholesale customers that is not publicly available and which is provided to FPC by its wholesale

customers with the understanding that the information will be kept confidential. FPC uses the data contained in the documents and spreadsheets to anticipate the load demands of its customers. This enables the Company to better plan for times of unusually high load demand and provide more reliable service. If this data is disclosed to competitors of the customers that provide the information, competitors could infer the customers' production schedules and use that information to their competitive advantage. This would impair the competitive business of the providers of the information.

- 5. Public disclosure of this information also would undermine FPC's ability to obtain the information in the future, since wholesale customers will not provide this data if they know it may become public record. Without this information, FPC's ability to anticipate the cyclical needs of its customers would be severely impaired and the quality of service it would be able to provide to those customers would suffer. Disclosure of the information would harm the ratepayers and the Company's business operations.
- 6. The Documents outlined in the attached Justification Matrix also contain proprietary information developed by WEFA which it sells pursuant to an agreement that requires the information to be kept confidential. The information is not public and FPC has treated this information as confidential.
- 7. Public disclosure of this proprietary information would harm FPC most directly by potentially exposing it to liability for breach of contract, and thus, such disclosure would harm the Company's business operations.
- 8. Disclosure of this information would also impair WEFA's competitive interests, since the data would lose its proprietary value if it were to become public record.

- 9. Public disclosure of this information also would undermine FPC's ability to obtain the information in the future, since WEFA understandably may refuse to provide proprietary data to FPC if that data could become public record and thus be available for free to anyone. FPC routinely uses economic data developed by WEFA in its business operations, and not having access to that information would harm the Company's business operations.
- 10. For all of these reasons, the information should be kept confidential to avoid harm to the Company and its ratepayers.

This concludes my affidavit.

MARK A. MYERS

as identification.

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