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> Docket Nos.: 020262-EI and 020263-EI Re:

Dear Ms. Bayo:

On behalf of The Florida Partnership for Affordable Competitive Energy, enclosed for filing and distribution are the original and 15 copies of the following:

> Direct Testimony and Exhibits of Kenneth J. Slater on behalf of The Florida Partnership for Affordable Competitive Energy

Please acknowledge receipt of the above on the extra copy and return the stamped copy to me. Thank you for your assistance.

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## BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition of Florida Power and Light Company for a Determination of Need For a power plant proposed to be located In Martin County

Docket No. 020262-EI

In re: Petition of Florida Power and Light Company for a Determination of Need For a power plant proposed to be located In Manatee County Docket No. 020263-EI

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## **Direct Testimony and Exhibits**

of

## Kenneth J. Slater

on behalf of

The Florida Partnership for Affordable Competitive Energy

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## I. INTRODUCTION AND QUALIFICATIONS

- 2 Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BUSINESS ADDRESS.
- 3 A. My name is Kenneth J. Slater. My business address is 3370 Habersham Road, Atlanta,
- 4 Georgia 30305.

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- 5 Q. BY WHOM AND IN WHAT CAPACITY ARE YOU EMPLOYED?
- 6 A. I am President of Slater Consulting, which I founded in August 1990. The firm is a small
- 7 engineering-economic and management consultancy with particular expertise in energy
- and public utility matters. The services that my firm offers to various participants in the
- 9 utility business include analysis of the following: supply/demand options, reliability,
- operating situations and events, new technologies and industry developments, strategic
- decisions, public policy matters, and ratemaking issues.
- 12 O. WHAT IS YOUR EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND?
- 13 A. I obtained a Bachelor of Science degree in Pure Mathematics and Physics in 1960 and a
- Bachelor of Engineering degree in Electrical Engineering in 1962, both at the University
- of Sydney, Australia. I also received a Master of Applied Science degree in Management
- Sciences at the University of Waterloo in Ontario, Canada in 1974.
- 17 O. PLEASE PROVIDE A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF YOUR PROFESSIONAL
- 18 EXPERIENCE.
- 19 A. I have over forty years of experience in the energy and utility industries in the United
- 20 c States, Canada and Australia. Prior to founding Slater Consulting, I was Senior Vice
- 21 President and Chief Engineer at Energy Management Associates, Inc. (EMA) in Atlanta,
- where I worked from 1983 to 1990. At EMA, after initially contributing to the firm's
- 23 utility software development functions, I became the head of its consulting practice,

leading or making significant contributions to a number of consulting engagements related
to valuation or analysis of power supplies and power supply contracts, supply/demand.
planning, damages assessments operating reserve requirements, replacement power cost
calculations, utility merger valuations, operational integration of utility systems, power
pooling, system reliability, ratemaking, power dispatching and gas supply studies. From
1969 until 1983, I worked in the Canadian utility industry, initially at Ontario Hydro,
where I headed the Production Development Section of the utility's Operating
Department. There I developed computer models, including one which, for more than 20
years, produced the daily generation schedules for the Ontario Hydro system, and another,
the original PROMOD, which was used for coordination and optimization of production
planning and resource management. Subsequently, I worked as Manager of Engineering
at the Ontario Energy Board (the utility regulatory commission) and as Research Director
for the Royal Commission on Electric Power Planning.
From 1976 to 1983, I ran my own firm, Slater Energy Consultants, Inc., in Toronto,
Canada and consulted widely in Canada and the United States for utilities, governments,
public enquiry commissions, utility customers and other consulting firms. It was during
this time and my time at EMA that I was a major developer of PROMOD III®, (now
renamed PROMOD IV™), a widely recognized electric utility planning and reliability
model
Prior to 1969, I was employed by the Electricity Commission of New South Wales, the
largest electric utility in Australia, where I was responsible for the day-to-day operation of
one of the six regions comprising that system. A copy of my resume is included as an
exhibit to this testimony. See Exhibit No (KJS-1).

## Q. HAVE YOU TESTIFIED AS AN EXPERT WITNESS IN THE PAST?

Yes. I have provided expert testimony in regulatory proceedings in California, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Indiana, Iowa, Louisiana, New Mexico, New York, Nova Scotia, Ontario, Pennsylvania, Prince Edward Island, South Carolina, Virginia, Wisconsin and Texas, and at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. I have also appeared in Federal Bankruptcy Court and state courts in Florida, Nebraska, Texas and Virginia, and in civil arbitration proceedings in Louisiana, Nevada and Pennsylvania. I have also served on many occasions as an expert examiner for a Royal Commission in Ontario, which was inquiring into the electric power planning in the Province of Ontario. A list of my testimony since 1983 is attached as an exhibit. See Exhibit No. \_\_\_\_ (KJS-2).

## II. PURPOSE OF TESTIMONY

- 12 Q. FOR WHOM DO YOU APPEAR IN THIS PROCEEDING?
- 13 A. I appear on behalf of the Florida Partnership for Affordable Competitive Energy (PACE).
- 14 O. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR TESTIMONY?
  - A. I will assess the manner in which Florida Power & Light Company (FP&L) evaluated responses to its revised Request For Proposals. Specifically, I have been asked to opine as to whether FPL's evaluation was fair, unbiased, and evenhanded, such that the Commission and FPL's ratepayers could have confidence that FPL selected the most cost-effective choices available for ratepayers; or whether instead FPL has biased the selection process in favor of its self-build options. In the latter event, I was asked to assess the risk to ratepayers of denying one or both of FPL's petitions and requiring a fair and unbiased selection process.

FPL asserts that its proposed Martin-8 and Manatee-3 units should be deemed the most cost-effective choices. However, FPL bases that claim on analyses which produces differences in revenue requirements of only \$60 million between FPL's proposal and other alternatives. This is a very small margin; one that could be influenced by poor or biased assumptions or methodologies.

# 6 Q. WHAT INFORMATION HAVE YOU REVIEWED IN CONNECTION WITH 7 THE PREPARATION OF YOUR TESTIMONY?

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I have reviewed Commission Rule 25-22.082, Florida Administrative Code, FPL's prefiled testimony and the Peninsular Florida 2002 Ten Year site plans. In addition, earlier in the proceeding, at the time I was engaged by Reliant Energy, then a party to the proceeding, I had access (under arrangements of confidentiality) to a disk showing the manner in which FPL evaluated the responses that it received to the original August 2001 RFP. The disk was disseminated to parties at the time to facilitate their analysis of FPL's computational methodology during the extended or revised RFP. In addition to these items from this case that I have reviewed, I have also relied on my knowledge of the EGEAS program, and my knowledge of the operating characteristics and costs of combined cycle generating units.

## III. CONCLUSIONS

## Q. HAVE YOU REACHED ANY CONCLUSIONS REGARDING THE MANNER IN WHICH FPL EVALUATED RESPONSES TO THE RFP?

A. Yes. I have concluded that because of the assumptions and methodology that it employed, FPL skewed the comparison of alternatives in favor of its self-build options.

As a result, in my opinion the Commission and ratepayers cannot place confidence in

ī		FPL's assertion that it has chosen the most cost-effective alternatives. In fact, FPL's			
2		studies, which show Martin 8 and Manatee 3 to be the best alternative for 2005 resource			
3		additions, are so seriously flawed that the wrong result may have been produced.			
4	Q.	ON WHAT DO YOU BASE THIS CONCLUSION?			
5	A.	I base this conclusion on several specific factors:			
6		(i) the use of production cost forecasts produced from simplistic modeling in			
7		EGEAS,			
8		(ii) differences in modeling non-FPL bids and FPL's self-build options,			
9		(iii) the "equity penalty" applied to non-FPL bids,			
10		(iv) FPL's choice of "filler units" with which to compare contracts of limited			
11		duration with its self-build options,			
. 12		(v) the overly optimistic performance characteristics used for FPL's self-build			
13		proposals, for which the cost and performance estimates are non-binding,			
. 14		and			
15		(vi) the lower risks represented by the binding nature of the non-FPL bids.			
16		IV. <u>DISCUSSION</u>			
17	Q.	WHAT PROBLEMS HAVE YOU IDENTIFIED WITH FPL'S EGEAS			
18		MODELING?			
19	A.	First, in evaluating the economics of combined cycle units, I have found that it is			
20		important to properly estimate the annual shutdown-startup cycling of a combined cycle			
21		unit, in order to ensure that there is a proper determination of expected maintenance costs			
22	which are heavily dependent on this operational aspect. However, EGEAS does not				
23		model the shutdown-startup cycling of generating units, and users are forced to perform			

crude "off-line" estimates. Second, combined cycle units have much more significant variations in output and heat rate across the months of the year than other base load and intermediate units, because of the seasonal variation in ambient conditions. FPL did not attempt to include such variations in its EGEAS modeling. Because of the relatively "thin" margin in favor of its own self-build options, these simplistic modeling efforts could be significant.

## 7 Q. WHAT DIFFERENCES IN MODELING DID FPL EMPLOY BETWEEN ITS 8 SELF-BUILD OPTIONS AND THE PROPOSALS OF RFP RESPONDENTS?

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A difference which was most striking was the application of variable O&M. Bids based on combined cycle units, would have included, variable O&M charges based on variable maintenance expenses as well as consumables involved in operation. FPL included such bid charges in its modeling for non-FPL bids, but only included the very much smaller consumables charges for its own units, choosing to use "off-line" estimates of the much larger variable maintenance expense. This procedure introduces unnecessary variations into the comparison of alternatives.

## 16 Q. WHAT IS THE EQUITY PENALTY FPL APPLIED TO NON-FPL BIDS?

In its analysis of alternatives, FPL calculated an adjustment to the revenue requirements associated with power purchase contracts, based on its theory that rating agencies regard the capacity payments as the equivalent of debt obligations that would increase financial risk absent a rebalancing of the equity component of its capital structure. The impact of the adjustment is very significant; it adds up to in excess of \$200 million to the net present value of revenue requirements associated with competitive portfolios. In my testimony, I do not intend to debate the merits of the details of FPL's calculations. My point instead

is that FPL has been extremely selective and self-serving in its recognition and quantification of this single risk factor.

## 3 Q. PLEASE EXPLAIN.

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There are a multitude of risks associated with the construction and operation of a large power plant, of which financial risk is only one example. While FPL has proposed an equity adjustment that penalizes all power purchase options, FPL has ignored other significant risks, such as construction cost risk, operating cost and performance risk, and risk of obsolescence that a contract with one or more of the RFP respondents would snift away from FPL and its ratepayers. Even if, for the sake of argument only, one were to accept FPL's proposition that power purchase contracts increase financial risk in the eyes of rating agencies, (and assuming further that the PSC's job is to placate such entities), it would be unfair and biased to recognize and quantify that individual factor while ignoring other factors, including very significant ones, that if similarly recognized would favor non-FPL bids. One can observe that some electric utilities purposely maintain a level of diversity among owned and purchased resources. It would appear to me that, rather than focusing solely on the "equity adjustment," on one hand, which would be extremely onesided and prejudicial, or attempting to identify and quantify the myriad of individual risks that attend the construction and operation of power plants, which would be exceedingly difficult, on the other, the Commission could more simply approach the risk issue in terms of the desirability of an overall balance to the mixture of resources with which FPL serves its ratepayers. In that regard, it is worth noting that FPL has a relatively small portion of resources in the form of power purchase contracts, and that small portion is scheduled to diminish significantly very soon. In any event, the comparison that FPL offers in support

- of its petitions is grossly skewed by its proposed equity adjustments, and one need not delve into the calculations in order to reach that conclusion.
- Q. PLEASE ADDRESS THE MANNER IN WHICH FPL COMPARED ITS SELF-BUILD OPTIONS WITH CONTRACTS OF SHORTER DURATION.
- FPL assumed that an expiring contract would be replaced by a greenfield combined cycle 5 A. plant that would be served by Florida Gas Transmission for gas delivery. There are at 6 least two problems with its assumptions, both of which further skew FPL's analysis in 7 S favor of its self-build options. First, FPL itself states that the "greenfield" "filler" plant 9 carries with it assumptions of higher construction costs and higher O&M expense than 10 FPL's self-build "brownfield" options. FPL attributes the higher costs of the "greenfield 11 fillers" to the respondents' bids, and this biases comparisons with the self-build options. Second, FPL's assumes that the "filler" will be served by the more expensive FGT only, 12 13 further biasing comparisons with the self-build options.
- 14 Q. WHY IS THE GREENFIELD ASSUMPTION PREJUDICIAL TO
  15 RESPONDENTS?
- 16 A. The proper and logical assumption to be used in this comparison should be that, in the
  17 event the respondent's proposal is chosen, it will have the effect of deferring the FPL unit;
  18 and that the deferred FPL unit would be built at the end of the contract unless something
  19 more cost-effective materializes at that time. In short, the FPL self-build unit should be
  20 the "filler." In disregard of that logic, FPL assigns to the respondent a "greenfield"
  21 replacement, which assumes the replacement capacity would be provided by an entity
  22 other than FPL. Again, of necessity that would occur only if the outside entity improves

- on the economics of FPL's own construction alternative. Accordingly, the "greenfield
- 2 filler" assumption is as illogical as it is prejudicial.
- Q. PLEASE ADDRESS THE ASSUMPTION THAT THE FILLER WOULD BE
   SERVED BY FGT.
- The flaw in this assumption flows from the earlier discussion. In testimony, FPL says it 5 A. had to assume the filler would be served by FGT because its location is unknown and 6 Gulfstream has less reach. However, it appears that FPL used the availability of 7 8 Gulfstream to its own sites as an advantage when evaluating its own proposals. Again, if 9 the respondent's proposed unit is selected, it will defer the FPL unit, which becomes the 10 "filler" unless something outside beats its economics during the deferral. Therefore, the 11 "filler" should receive the benefit of the lower Gulfstream fuel transportation as well. In 12 other words, FPL has inflated the construction costs and the fuel costs of the power 13 purchase alternatives that have durations of less than 25 years.
- 14 Q. PLEASE ELABORATE ON THE OVERLY OPTIMISTIC PERFORMANCE
  15 CHARACTERISTICS USED FOR FPL'S SELF-BUILD OPTIONS.
- FPL has used operating capacity and heat rate assumptions for its Martin 8 and Manatee 3
  units which appear to describe the units operating in "new and clean" condition. It is
  usual to recognize actual performance over the life of a unit by discounting the capacity by
  2% to 3% and raising the neat rate by about 2%. In addition, the one week per year
  maintenance coupled with an equivalent forced outage rate of 1% is a most aggressive
  availability assumption.
- Q. WHO WOULD BEAR THE RISK OF THESE OPTIMISTIC AND AGGRESSIVE
  ASSUMPTIONS?

- 1 A. The FPL ratepayers would bear these very significant risks, just as they would bear the
- 2 risk of prudently incurred construction cost overruns, and of O&M costs which escalate
- due to actual operating conditions.

## 4 O. WOULD NON-FPL BIDS HAVE THESE SAME RISKS?

- 5 A. The same risks exist for all generating units. However, when the services of a unit have
- been included in a binding bid in response to FPL's RFP, the bidder assumes these risks.
- 7 Q. WHAT CAN THE COMMISSION DO IN THIS PROCEEDING TO ASSURE
- 8 THAT THE PROPOSALS ARE VIEWED ON EQUAL TERMS?
- 9 A. I believe that either FPL should commit to a binding proposal, including all cost and
- performance items of the Commission should take into account the almost certain
- probability that FPL's assumptions will not be realized.
- 12 Q. HOW SIGNIFICANT IS THIS ISSUE?
- 13 A. It is very significant. When the one-sided equity penalty is ignored, about a dozen of the
- plans combining both FPL and competitor resources are less costly than the all-FPL plan,
- while a further handful are within \$30 million NPV. See Exhibit to the Testimony of
- Steven R. Sim, Exhibit \_\_\_\_\_ (SRS-8). I believe that the lack of certainty associated with
- the non-binding nature of FPL's proposal is enough in and of itself to cast doubt on FPL's
- claim that its proposal is the most cost-effective.
- 19 Q: WHAT DO YOU CONCLUDE ABOUT FPL'S ANALYSIS OF ALTERNATIVES?
- 20 A In my opinion, the issues discussed above, that are derived from a review that was less
- 21 than exhaustive, demonstrate that FPL has skewed the comparison in favor of its self-build
- 22 units to the extent that the Commission, parties, and ratepayers cannot rely on its assertion
- 23 that FPL has identified the most cost-effective alternatives for its ratepayers.

I also believe that the situation in which the Commission finds itself is a function of a process that allows a utility to control the outcome of an RFP process through self-serving assumptions and non-binding proposals. I recommend that the Commission deny FPL's petitions and take whatever measures are needed to ensure that the next procurement process is designed to ensure a fair and even-handed comparison of alternatives.

#### V. IMPACT OF RESOURCE DELAY

#### 7 DENIAL OF FPL'S PETITIONS ADVERSELY 0: 8 RATEPAYERS?

- A consideration of potential benefits and potential harm that would be associated with spending the time necessary to "get it right" must take into account the likely impact on customers of a delay in the in-service date of the proposed capacity that would be attended by a complete or partial denial of FPL's petitions, on the one hand, and the adverse impact that would be occasioned by an increase in costs beyond those projected by FPL in the event its non-binding proposal is accepted, on the other. To assist in this consideration, I have performed an exercise that I believe examines these scenarios in a reasonable feshion. The analysis leads me to conclude that the time spent in ensuring that the most cost-effective alternatives are chosen would serve ratepayers' best interests.
- PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR ANALYSIS. 18 0.

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19 A. It is possible to quantify the risk to ratepayers of the delay associated with rejection of 20 FPL's petitions. The appropriate measure, I believe, would be the value of the "expected energy not served" because of the delay. I have developed the value that would be associated with a delay of one year of capacity equivalent to one of FPL's units and the value that would correspond to a delay of the entire 1900 MW proposed by FPL. I then

- compared these values of "expected energy not served" to the impact on ratepayers of
  even a modest increment in costs beyond FPL's non-binding representation of costs. The
  results of the analysis are shown in Exhibit No. \_\_\_\_\_ (KJS-3), which is attached to my
  testimony.
- Q. WHAT DATA BASE DID YOU USE FOR THIS DETERMINATION OF "EXPECTED UNSUPPLIED ENERGY?"
- I have prepared a data base consisting of all of the generation that would be available in peninsular Florida during the time frame involved, together with the total forecast peninsular Florida load during the same period.
- 10 O. WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT?
- 12 From a reliability standpoint, Peninsula Florida is a single entity within which all of the
  12 resources can be used to serve the composite load. The actual ownership of generation or
  13 the existence or absence of contractual arrangements is of little importance in the
  14 determination of how much load can be served. My data base captures all of the
  15 generating resources that Peninsula Florida load could call on to maintain reliable service,
  16 including merchant peaking capacity that is not included in any utility's calculation of its
  17 individual reserve margin and resources which exceed a utility's target reserve margin.
- 18 Q. WHAT VALUE DID YOU ATTRIBUTE TO THE INCREASE IN PENINSULA
  19 FLORIDA EXPECTED UNSUPPLIED ENERGY?
- 20 A. I used a value which is generally recognized in the utility industry as an energy price which should not be exceeded. That value is \$1000 / MWh.
- Q. WHAT RISK HAVE YOU ASSOCIATED WITH THE ACCEPTANCE OF FPL'S

  PRESENTLY OFFERED SELF BUILD OPTIONS?

- 1 A. I have combined three separate sums for each of FPL's self-build options, the impact on
- the operating costs of a 2% increase in heat rate, the impact on capacity value of a 2.5%
- drop in capacity and the impact of a 5 % increase in fixed costs.
- 4 O. PLEASE SUMMARIZE THE RESULTS OF YOUR ANALYSIS.
- 5 A. I have calculated that if Martin 8 is delayed one year, the increase in value of expected
- 6 unsupplied energy would be \$0, while the avoided risk would be \$94 million. If both
- 7 Martin 8 and Manatee 3 are delayed one year, the increase in value of expected unsupplied
- 8 energy would be \$3,000, while the avoided risk would be \$188 million.
- 9 Q. DO YOU REGARD THE INCREMENT OF EXPECTED UNSERVED ENERGY
- 10 TO BE SIGNIFICANT?
- 11 A. No. To the contrary, at forecast load levels there is insignificant expected unsupplied
- energy.
- 13 Q. WHAT DO YOU CONCLUDE FROM YOUR ANALYSIS?
- 14 A. I conclude that the impact on ratepayers of a delay necessary to reach a decision
- uninfluenced by opportunities for biased and self-serving assumptions and/or infirm
- numbers is more than outweighed by the risk of even a modest, (or even expected),
- 17 missing of targets by FPL.
- 18 Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE YOUR TESTIMONY.
- 19 A. I have demonstrated that FPL has repeatedly biased the needs analysis towards its own
- 20 self-build options. In the original Integrated Resrouce Pian (IRP) analysis and the
- subsequent RFP analysis, FPL consistently adopted assumptions that would favor the self-
- build options by:
- 23 (i) including an "equity penalty" for purchase power options,

1	(ii) using greenfield combined cycle units served by FGT as spacer units,			
2	(iii) using extremely optimistic cost and performance assumptions for is self-but			
3		options, and,		
4		(iv) through simplistic EGEAS modeling of start-up/shutdown costs and O&M		
5		costs.		
6		Since FPL does not offer ratepayers a "binding bid" type guarantee on the construction of		
7		the new units, ratepayers could be asked to pay costs in excess of those presented by FPL		
8		in this docket. I have demonstrated that a delay in approving FPL's plans for the self-		
9		build option will not harm ratepayers, and in fact will allow the Commission the		
10		opportunity to assess the process wherein utilities in the State of Florida, in their own self-		
11		interest, choose supply alternatives that may in fact not be the least-cost alternatives to		
12		ratepayers. Therefore, I am requesting on behalf of PACE, that the Commission deny		
13		FPL's request at this time and take whatever measures are needed to ensure that the next		
14		procurement process is designed to ensure that alternatives are fairly assessed, resulting in		
15		the least-cost option for ratepayers.		
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17	Q.	DOES THAT CONCLUDE YOUR TESTIMONY?		
18	Ė.	Yes, it does.		

Technical Qualifications and Professional Experience

## Kenneth John Slater

#### EDUCATION

B.Sc., Pure Mathematics and Physics, Sydney University, 1960
B.E., Electrical Engineering, Sydney University, 1962
M.A.Sc., Management Sciences, University of Waterloo, 1974

#### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Association of Professional Engineers of Ontario

- Registered Professional Engineer

Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers

- Member of Power Engineering Society
- Past member of Power System Engineering Committee
- Past member of System Economics subcommittee and working group

### EXPERIENCE

1957-62 Mr. Slater was a Junior Professional Officer at the Electricity Commission of New South Wales attending university and undergoing on-the-job training in power station and substation design, construction, protection, maintenance, and operation.

1962-67 Mr. Slater was a Professional Engineer Grades 1 and 2 at The Electricity Commission of New South Wales, engaged in a variety of functions within the areas of Power Station Construction, Generation Pianning, System Operation and Load Dispatch.

As Assistant Engineer Area Operation/Sydney West (Professional Engineer, Grade 3) with the Electricity Commission of New South Wales, Mr. Slater was responsible for the day-to-day operation of the Sydney West Area (approximately 20% of the State System).

He supervised the day-to-day work of more than 18 operators as they provided safe working conditions for Commission staff and others on system apparatus, and as they provided safe, secure, reliable and economic operation of this portion of the State System.

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He performed the liaison function with head office staff, other divisions and customers on all operating activities, directed the performance of complicated operating procedures and trained both regular and emergency operators.

While he was in this and his previous position, Mr. Slater was responsible for the design and manufacture of the live line testing devices used by the Commissions' operators and linemen.

As well, he assumed responsibility for the preparation and execution of "black start" exercises and for the arrangement and detailing of complicated switching for major rearrangements and commissionings on the State System. He also developed original computer applications.

As Engineer, and then Senior Engineer, heading the Production Development Section of Ontario Hydro's Operating Department, Mr. Slater was engaged in developing computational procedures and computer programs for Production Economics and Resource Management.

Major contributions included (1) the development and implementation of the computer program which, for more than 20 years, produced the daily generation schedule for the Ontario Hydro System, (2) the formulation of a Stochastic System Model to coordinate and optimize the production planning, maintenance planning, interchange planning and resource management of the Ontario Hydro System, and (3) the development of PROMOD, a Probabilistic Production Cost and Reliability model, the first version of the "core" of the Stochastic Model in (2) above.

As a member of the project group implementing the Operating Department's Data Acquisition and Computer System, he headed a work unit responsible for providing the application programs related to generation scheduling, power interchange and resource management. Also, he held responsibilities in the areas of policy determination, analytical techniques and the planning of future applications.

As Manager of Engineering at the Ontario Energy Board, Mr. Slater was heavily involved in public hearings into Ontario Hydro's System Expansion Plans and Financial Policies, and into Ontario Hydro's Bulk Power Rates.

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During this time, he provided much of the power system engineering input necessary for the start-up and formulation of the public hearing process related to Ontario Hydro. He also provided the engineering input for the regulation of Ontario's three major investor owned gas utilities.

- 1975-76 For 12 months, Mr. Slater was a private consultant contracted to the Royal Commission on Electric Power Planning, in Ontario, as its Research Director. During this time, he directed and participated in various studies of different aspects of electricity supply. He was also a member of the panel of expert examiners in a number of the Royal Commission's public hearings.
- As President of Slater Energy Consultants, Inc., in Toronto, Mr. Slater performed or made major contributions to a number of important assignments at the forefront of the electrical energy industry. These included:
  - The Export of Electrical Power
    ....a study for the Ontario Ministry of Industry and Tourism.
  - Load Management Studies
     ....for the Detroit Edison Company.
  - California Utilities Increased Integration Study
    ....for San Diego Gas & Electric Company, Southern
    California Edison Company, Los Angeles Department of
    Water and Power, and Pacific Gas and Electric Company.
  - Bradley-Milton 500kV Transmission Lines
    ....a study for the Ontario Ministry of Energy and the
    Interested Citizens Group (Halton Hills).
  - Solar Energy and the Conventional Energy Industries ....a study for the Canadian Ministry of Energy, Mines and Resources.
  - The Expert Examiner for the Ontario Royal Commission on Electric Power Planning during hearings into Priority Projects.
  - Various Studies into Unconventional Electrical Resources
     ....for the P.E.I. Institute of Man and Resources and the P.E.I. Energy Corporation.

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- Analysis and Expert Testimony in Support of Lower Demand Rates for Lake Ontario Steel Company, Ivaco Industries Limited and Atlas Steels.
- Claims for Consequential Damages of the Roseton Boiler Implosions
  - ....for Consolidated Edison Company, Central Hudson Power Company and Niagara Mohawir Power Corporation.
- A study of the Potential for Megawatt Scale Wind Power Plants in Electrical Utilities
  - ....for the Canadian Ministry of Energy, Mines and Resources.

These studies have included the need to create special and unique power system models and solution techniques and have addressed significant issues of major importance in the electrical supply industry. Mr. Slater also has carried out assignments for the following clients:

Nova Scotia Power Corporation.
The Government of Prince Edward Island.
The New Brunswick Electric Power Commission.
Ontario Energy Corporation.
Ontario Energy Board.
Go-Home Lake Cottagers Associations.
Saskatchewan Power Corporation.
FMC Corporation.
FMC of Canada Limited.
ERCO Industries Limited.
Canadian Occidental Petroleum Ltd.
State Energy Commission (Western Australia).
Toronto Dismici Heating Corporation.

In connection with his consulting activities, Mr. Slater gave expert testimony in the state of Idaho and in the provinces of Ontario and Prince Edward Island.

Mr. Slater also was a principal developer of PROMOD III<sup>®</sup>, a proprietary electric utility production cost and reliability model owned by Energy Management Associates, Inc. This model was used by over seventy utilities in Canada, the United States, Japan and Australia. Its wide acceptance made it the "Industry Standard" in the U.S.

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As Vice President and Chief Engineer for Energy Management Associates, Inc., Mr. Slater was responsible for giving technical direction for the development and maintenance of Energy Management Associates, Inc.'s state-of-the-art software products. As Senior Vice President and Chief Engineer, Mr. Slater was head of Energy Management Associates, Inc.'s utility consulting practice. He led or made significant contributions to a number of important consulting engagements, including:

- Study and regulatory testimony concerning the value to the Idaho Power Company system of the interruptibility provisions in F.M.C.'s supply contract.
- Generation planning studies for Cincinnati Gas and Electric Company, San Diego Gas & Electric Company and the City of Austin Electric Utility Department.
- Assistance to legal counsel during regulatory litigation regarding the hostile takeover of a major Canadian gas utility holding company (union Enterprises), including definition and examination of issues, selection of witnesses, and analysis of the opposing case.
- Development and demonstration of a method for the allocation of Inland Power Pool's operating reserve requirement amongits members.
- Analysis of replacement power costs during the outage of Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation's Nine Mile Point #1 nuclear unit.
- Reserve margin assessments for Public Service Company of Indiana, Alleghany Power System Inc., Iowa Electric Light & Power Company, San Diego Gas & Electric Company, and El Paso Electric Company.
- Examination of the gas supply situation in Southern California and regulatory testimony regarding "unbundling" of storage service.
- Evaluation of the operational, planning and financial impacts of merging two large Eastern U.S. electric utilities.

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- Study and regulatory testimony regarding the value and appropriate level of interruptible demand for the Union Gas system.
- Evaluation of the benefits of increased operational integration of a group of electric utilities.
- Assistance for Tucson Electric Power Co. and its legal counsel during arbitration of its dispute with Sam Diego Gas and Electric Company regarding the operation of a large power sale agreement.
- Analysis of the economics of a third A/C transmission line linking California and Oregon.
- A seminar on "Power Pooling and Inter-Utility Interconnections" for the management of the Central Electricity Generating Board and other parties involved in U.K. privatisation.
- Determination of the benefits of pool membership for two electric utilities in the Northeast U.S..
- Assistance for Riley Stoker Corporation and its legal counsel with the arbitration of direct and consequential damages arising out of the late completion and early poor performance of two major coal-fired generating units. The work included case examination and development, detailed reconstruction of events, analysis of all financial and economic consequences of project delay and performance with separation of fault, analysis of opponent's case and assistance with cross-examination, direct and reputtal testimony, and assistance with oral and written argument.

Mr. Siater's consulting assignments included the areas of power system planning, operations, reliability, economics, ratemaking and assessment of the worth of unconventional resources. He appeared as an expert witness in regulatory hearings in Idaho, Iowa, Indiana, Florida, California, Texas, Ontario and Nova Scotia and in civil arbitration proceedings in Louisiana and Pennsylvania.

Mr. Slater continued to contribute to the development of E.M.A.'s utility software products. His contributions included being a principal developer of SENDOUT<sup>®</sup>, E.M.A.'s proprietary supply model for gas utilities.

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In August 1990, Mr. Slater returned to working in his own practice, in Atlanta, where he heads a small corporation, Slater Consulting, which provides consulting services and expert testimony for various different participants in the utility industry.

Slater Consulting assignments, led by Mr. Slater, have included:

- Assistance to legal counsel for creditors of a bankrupt utility.
- Analysis and testimony for Texas New Mexico Power Company regarding prudent alternatives to their decision to build TNP ONE Unit 2.
- Assistance and analysis for a utility and its legal counsel during litigation regarding damages sustained because of interference in a proposed merger of that utility with another utility.
- Analyses and testimony before the New York PSC for Sithe Energies, Inc., in certification proceedings and in numerous avoided cost and buy-back rate proceedings.
- Analyses and testimony for the Independent Power Producers
  of New York in QF curtailment, buy-back rate and back-up
  rate proceedings before the New York PSC.
- Analysis and testimony for Southwestern Public Service Co. at FERC and before the New Mexico Public Service Commission regarding the lack of production cost savings from the proposed merger of Central & South West Utilities with El Paso Electric Company.
- Analyses and testimony before the Public Service Commission for Independent Power Producers in Florida regarding QF curtailment.
- Analyses and testimony in Civil Court cases for Independent Power Producers in Florida regarding the correct implementation of contractual dispatchability provisions.
- Testimony before regulatory commissions in New York, Pennsylvania, Texas, Florida and Louisiana regarding various aspects of emerging competition.

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- Analyses and testimony before the Georgia Public Service Commission on behalf of Mid-Georgia Co-gen and others regarding avoided costs on the Georgia Power / Southern Company system.
- Analysis and testimony before the Georgia Public Service Commission on behalf of Georgia Power Company regarding the Prudence of Georgia Power's 1978-1980 investment in the Rocky Mountain pumped storage plant.
- Testimony before the regulatory commissions of Texas, Virginia and Wisconsin regarding the fair allocation of utility revenue requirements to individual customer classes.
- Testimony before the United States Bankruptcy Court regarding the value of the non-nuclear assets of Cajun Electric Power Co-operative, Inc.
- Analyses for Sithe Energies, Inc. of the future dispatch and associated energy revenues for numerous generating resources in the Northeast United States.
- Operational planning analyses for Sithe Energies, Inc. regarding numerous existing and new generating resources in the Northeast United States.
- Analyses and testimony in Courts and before arbitrators for the non-operating owners of the South Texas Nuclear Project, the Cooper nuclear unit in Nebraska, and the Millstone 3 nuclear unit in Connecticut concerning the replacement power costs during extended outages.

In connection with these and other assignments, Mr. Slater has appeared as an expert in regulatory proceedings in Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, New Mexico, New York, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Virginia, Wisconsin and Texas, and at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. He has also appeared in Federal

Bankruptcy Court, state courts in Virginia, Nebraska, Texas and Florida, and civil arbitration proceedings in Nevada and Pennsylvania.

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Contract

For: FMC Corporation

2. Idaho Public Utilities Commission Case No. U-10006-197

Re: Idaho Power Company Generation Planning

For: FMC Corporation

3. Iowa State Commerce Commission Docket No. RPU-83-23

Re: Appropriate Generation Reserve Margin for Iowa Electric Light

and Power Company

For: Iowa Electric Light and Power Company

4. Idaho Public Utilities Commission Case No. U-10006-265

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For: FMC Corporation

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5) and Reasonableness of Certain FPC PROMOD III® Analyses

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9. Ontario Energy Board

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19. New York Public Service Commission Case No. 92-E-0814 et al

Re: Need to Curtail Qualifying Facilities

For: Independent Power Producers of New York

20. New York Public Service Commission Case No. 92-T-0114

Re: Avoided Production Costs

For: Sithe Energies, Inc.

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Re: Calculation of Avoided Energy Costs

For: Sithe Energies, Inc.

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Systems Incorporated

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For: Orlando CoGen Limited, L. P.

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For: The City of Austin

35. South Carolina Public Service Commission Docket No. 95-1192-E

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Re: Virginia Power Damages due to NUG outage.

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Re: Value of Plant Output

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For: Georgia Power Company

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For: Enron Energy Services Power Inc.

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Re: Revenue Requirement Aliocation

For: Coalition for Equitable Rates

48. Public Service Commission of Wisconsin Docket 6630-UR-110

Re: Revenue Requirement Allocation

For: Coalition for Equitable Rates

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Re: Replacement Power Cost Damages

For: Lincoln Electric System

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Re: Breach of Contract and associated damages

For: NCP Lake Power/Lake Cogen, Ltd.

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Re: Breach of Contract and associated damages

For: Cedar Bay Generating Company, L.P.

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Re: Replacement power costs for the outage of Millstone 3 nuclear unit

For: The Non-operating Co-owners of Millstone 3

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For: Duke Energy

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## COMPARISON OF RISKS

## Value of Expected Unserved Energy

	Change in EUE MWh	Value \$1000/MWh  \$M
l year delay in Martin 8	0	0
1 year delay in Martin 8 & Manatee 3	3	0.003

## FPL Cost & Performance Risk

		Approximate Cost
		SM
l year delay in Martin 8		
2% increase in Heat Rate		32
2.5% decrease in capacity		12
5% increase in fixed costs		50
	Total	94
1 year delay in both Martin 8 & Manatee 3		•
2% increase in Heat Rate		64
2.5% decrease in capacity		24
5% increase in fixed costs		100
	Total	188

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the Direct Testimony and Exhibits of Kenneth J. Slater on behalf of The Florida Partnership for Affordable Competitive Energy, was on this 20th day of August 2002, served via (\*) Hand delivery and U.S. Mail to the following:

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