BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Review of GridFlorida Regional Transmission Organization (RTO) Proposal. DOCKET NO. 020233-EI ORDER NO. PSC-02-1253-PCO-EI ISSUED: September 12, 2002

ORDER GRANTING INTERVENTION

BY THE COMMISSION:

By petition filed June 24, 2002, Orlando Utilities Commission ("OUC") requests permission to intervene in this docket. In support of its petition, OUC states that it operates an integrated electric generation, transmission, and distribution system in and around the City of Orlando within the State of Florida. OUC asserts that the Commission's actions with respect to the approval or rejection of the structure, governance, operations, and rates of the GridFlorida Regional Transmission Organization ("RTO"), which is the subject of this docket, will substantially impact OUC as an owner of transmission facilities within the state and as a retail and wholesale electric generator. OUC further asserts that regardless of whether it ultimately participates in the RTO as a member, it will have to enter into transactions with the RTO not only for interconnection and transmission services, but also may have to rely on the RTO as the provider of last resort for certain ancillary services, such as energy balancing services, that are critical to OUC in order to serve its retail and wholesale electric customers. OUC concludes that because the issues being addressed in these proceedings with respect to the RTO will dictate many of the terms of such transactions, any actions taken by the Commission with respect to the RTO will greatly impact the ongoing ability of OUC to serve its customers.

No party has filed a response to OUC's petition to intervene, and the time for doing so has expired.

Having reviewed OUC's petition, it appears that OUC's substantial interests may be affected by this proceeding. Therefore, the petition is granted. Pursuant to Rule 25-22.039, Florida Administrative Code, OUC takes the case as it finds it.

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Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that Orlando Utilities Commission's petition to intervene in this docket is granted. It is further

ORDERED that all parties to this proceeding shall furnish copies of all testimony, exhibits, pleadings, and other documents which may hereinafter be filed in this proceeding to the following:

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By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this <u>12th</u> day of <u>September</u>, <u>2002</u>.

BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Director Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services

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NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.569(1), Florida Statutes, to notify parties of any administrative hearing or judicial review of Commission orders that is available under Sections 120.57 or 120.68, Florida Statutes, as well as the procedures and time limits that apply. This notice should not be construed to mean all requests for an administrative hearing or judicial review will be granted or result in the relief sought.

Mediation may be available on a case-by-case basis. If mediation is conducted, it does not affect a substantially interested person's right to a hearing.

Any party adversely affected by this order, which is preliminary, procedural, or intermediate in nature, may request: (1) reconsideration within 10 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.0376,

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Florida Administrative Code, if issued by a Prehearing Officer; (2) reconsideration within 15 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code, if issued by the Commission; or (3) judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court, in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility, or the First District Court of Appeal, in the case of a water or wastewater utility. A motion for reconsideration shall be filed with the Director, Division of the in the form Commission Clerk and Administrative Services, prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code. Judicial review of a preliminary, procedural or intermediate ruling or order is available if review of the final action will not provide an adequate remedy. Such review may be requested from the appropriate court, as described above, pursuant to Rule 9.100, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.