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In re: Petition for Determination of Need of Hines Unit 4 Power Plant in Polk County
by Progress Energy Florida, Inc.
Docket No. 040817-EI

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed herewith for filing are the original and one (1) copy of the following:

1. Progress Energy Florida's Notice of Service of Response to Staff's First Set of
Interrogatories (No. 17); *10981-04*

m.L.2. Progress Energy Florida's Third Notice of Intent Request Confidential Classification; *10982-04*
and

m.L.3. Progress Energy Florida's Third Request Confidential Classification *10983-04*

If you or your Staff have any questions regarding this filing, please contact me at
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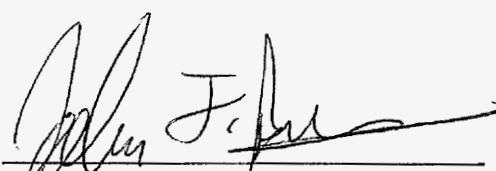
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**PROGRESS ENERGY FLORIDA INC.'S NOTICE OF SERVICE OF
RESPONSE TO STAFF'S FIRST SET OF INTERROGATORIES (NO. 17)**

Pursuant to Fla. Admin. Code R. 28-106.206 and Fla. R. Civ. P. 1.340, Progress Energy Florida Inc. hereby gives notice of service of its response to Staff's First Set of Interrogatories (No. 17).

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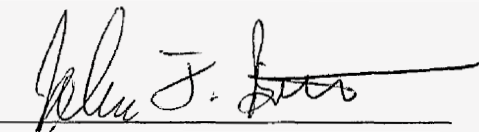


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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing notice and Progress Energy Florida Inc.'s Response to Staff's First Set of Interrogatories (No. 17) has been furnished by electronic delivery and U.S. Mail to William Cochran Keating, Office of the General Counsel, Florida Public Service Commission, 2540 Sumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850 and the foregoing notice via U.S. Mail to all other interested parties as listed on the attachment this ^{12th} day of October, 2004.



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**PROGRESS ENERGY FLORIDA, INC.'S RESPONSES
TO STAFF'S FIRST SET OF INTERROGATORIES (NO. 17)**

Pursuant to Fla. Admin. Code R. 28-106.206, and Rule 1.340, Fla. R. Civ. P., Progress Energy Florida, Inc. ("PEF") responds to the Staff of the Florida Public Service Commission's First Set of Interrogatories (No. 17). PEF incorporates by reference its general and specific objections to Staff's First Set of Interrogatories filed on September 20 and 28, 2004, as if stated herein and further states as follows:

17. Has PEF engaged in discussions concerning firm gas transportation capacity for Hines 4 with companies other than those identified in response to the above interrogatory? If so, provide the names of the other companies.

Response:

PEF has engaged in discussion concerning firm gas transportation capacity for Hines 4 with the following companies:

- 1) [REDACTED]
- 2) [REDACTED]
- 3) [REDACTED]

Samuel Waters
Samuel Waters

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF FRANKLIN

I hereby certify that on this 8th day of October, 2004, before me, an officer duly authorized in the State and County aforesaid to take acknowledgments, personally appeared Samuel S. Waters, who is personally known to me, and he/she acknowledged before me that he/she provided the answer to Staff's First Set of Interrogatories (Nos. 17) to Progress Energy Florida, Inc., in Docket No. 040817-EI, and that the response is true and correct based on his/her personal knowledge.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal in the State and County aforesaid as of this 8th day of October, 2004.

Patty Lyn Bowers
Notary Public
State of North Carolina, at Large
My Commission Expires:
November 21, 2005



My Commission Expires 11-21-2005