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**DATE:** April 22, 2005  
**TO:** Kay B. Flynn, Division of the Commission Clerk & Administrative Services  
**FROM:** John Slemkewicz, Division of Economic Regulation JS  
**RE:** Docket No. 050078-EI, Progress Energy Florida, Inc. Rate Case - Document for Docket File

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Please include the attached letter, dated February 7, 2005, from Chairman Baez to Mr. William Habermeyer as an official document in the docket file.

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February 7, 2005

Mr. H. William Habermeyer, Jr.  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
Progress Energy Florida, Inc.  
Post Office Box 14042  
St. Petersburg, Florida 33733

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Re: Test Year Notification Pursuant to Rule 25-6.140, Florida Administrative Code

Dear Mr. Habermeyer:

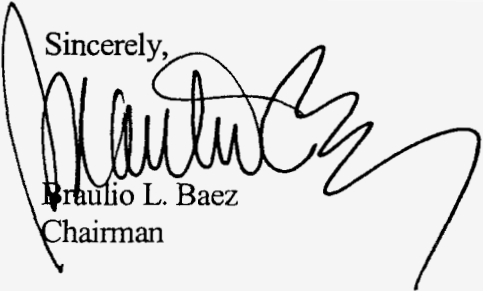
In response to your January 28, 2005, test year notification letter, Docket No. 050078-EI has been opened for Progress Energy Florida, Inc.'s forthcoming general rate increase proceeding. It has been noted that the Company proposes to utilize a projected twelve-month period ending December 31, 2006, as the test year for the permanent rate increase proceeding. However, the appropriateness of the selected test year may be an issue in the proceeding. The Company has not requested an interim rate increase.

The Minimum Filing Requirements (MFRs) and associated testimony will be due at the Commission's offices on May 1, 2005. If the Company is unable to file by May 1, 2005, it must notify the Commission in accordance with the provisions of Rule 25-6.140(3), Florida Administrative Code.

In your letter, it was also requested that the Commission render a decision in this docket by December 1, 2005 to permit new rates to become effective on January 1, 2006. With my understanding that the Company will file MFRs and testimony by May 1, 2005 and will make a good faith effort to adhere to a 20 day discovery response time, to provide timely staff audit request responses and to expedite the filing of post-hearing briefs, I will direct the staff to establish a case schedule that will accommodate that request.

If you should have any questions regarding this matter, please contact John Slemkewicz, Public Utilities Supervisor, in the Division of Economic Regulation, at (850) 413-6420.

Sincerely,

  
Braulio L. Baez  
Chairman

cc: Tim Devlin