

BY MR. McGLOTHLIN:

- 8 Q Good morning, sir.
- 9 A Good morning.
- 10 Q Let me first refer you to Page 29 of your rebuttal
- 11 testimony.
- 12 A Okay.
- 13 Q IN response to the first question on that page you
- 14 say that FPL estimates that approximately \$58 million of
- 15 capital additions, \$12.2 million of removal costs,
- 16 \$36.4 million in retirements and \$21.7 million in contributions
- in aid of construction would be recorded in March 2005.
- 18 At the time you prepared this rebuttal testimony you
- 19 were anticipating an accounting transaction to be done in
- 20 March. Can you tell me whether the, the actual March entries
- 21 differed materially from these estimates?
- 22 A The entries as recorded in March are consistent with
- 23 these amounts. They've been recorded in our general ledger.
- 24 They have not been recorded down in the subledger for property
- 25 at this point. That will, that will take some additional time.

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- 1 Q But for our purposes, these values that were
- 2 estimates at the time remain accurate?
- 3 A Yes.

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- 7 Q Mr. Davis, I want to backtrack for just a moment. I
- 8 have a question about the capital cost component of the manner
- 9 in which the company is accounting for the restoration costs.
- 10 With respect to the differences between the manner in which the
- 11 company has proposed to proceed, which is to charge all capital
- 12 costs to the storm damage reserve on the one hand and the
- 13 approach described by Mr. Majoros, which is to quantify the
- 14 normal investment and place that in the plant accounts and then
- 15 charge only the increment of extraordinary O&M to the storm
- damage costs, is it true that the company has the ability to
- 17 make those adjustments if the Commission decided that the
- 18 Majoros approach is to be used?
- 19 A Yes, I believe we have the ability to make them. I
- 20 think I cited the amounts in my rebuttal testimony, and, in
- 21 fact, we talked about those earlier, that is the 58 million of
- 22 capital costs and the 12.2 million of cost of removal.
- 23 Q As a matter of fact, not only does the company have
- 24 the ability, but in implementing its preferred method of
- 25 charging 100 percent of capital costs to the storm damage

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- 1 reserve, the methodology for doing that entails quantifying the
- 2 normal account plant amount which is later the subject of an
- 3 additional entry called CIAC to accomplish the charge to the
- 4 storm damage reserve, is that correct?
- 5 A That is correct. We record the gross plant at the
- 6 new cost, the 58 million. We would use the equivalent. It is
- 7 really not contributions in aid of construction, but it is
- 8 literally the equivalent of it. It is a credit. An offset, if
- 9 you will, to the 58 million. That would reduce that back to, I
- 10 believe it is 36 million of property that was estimated would
- 11 be the cost of the property retired as a result of the
- 12 hurricane. And that is done so that we have the information
- 13 available to the tax assessors throughout the state because
- 14 they are going to tax us on the higher value.
- 15 Q So the implementation of what I will call the
- 16 incremental methodology as it relates to capital costs does not
- 17 involve any additional administrative steps that the company
- 18 would have to undertake that it hasn't already performed in
- 19 terms of quantifying those values?
- 20 A I'm going to give you a yes and a no answer, and I
- 21 don't mean to obscure. It depends on how it is implemented.
- 22 If it is implemented in the manner that we are doing the
- 23 accounting today, which is to go to our work management systems
- 24 and estimate what the costs of those would have been had we
- 25 done it on normal time and at a normal pace and so forth, yes.

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- 1 There would not be any incremental effort. I am already doing
- 2 it. And, in fact, \P am already recording it. I would have
- 3 fewer entries to make.
- 4 On the other hand, if as a consequence of being
- 5 required to do that, I were expected to account for the time of
- 6 the linemen in the field, so I have a lineman out there who is
- 7 working, his sole focus right now is on restoring power, he
- 8 could care less about what job he is charging his job to. He
- 9 is focused on restoring power quickly and safely.
- 10 If I require him to split his time so that he keeps
- 11 track of the time that he spent working on a retirement, the
- 12 time he spends putting in a new pole, then I would say it is
- 13 extremely burdensome and would slow down the restoration
- 14 process. So the answer really gets down to a degree of
- 15 precision.