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Re: In re: Petition for approval of numeric conservation goals by Florida Power & Light Company - DOCKET NO. 040029-EG / DOCKET NO. 040660-EG

Dear Ms. Bayó:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced dockets are the original and fifteen (15) copies of Rebuttal Testimonies of Florida Power & Light Company's Witnesses Daniel J. Haywood and Steven R. Sim.

Please indicate receipt of this document by stamping the enclosed extra copy of this letter. Please contact me should you or your Staff have any questions regarding this filing.

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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REBUTTAL TESTIMONY & EXHIBITS OF: DANIEL J. HAYWOOD

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7	Q.	Please state your name and business address.
8	A.	My name is Daniel J. Haywood and my business address is: 700 Universe
9		Boulevard, Juno Beach, Florida 33408.
10	Q.	Did you previously file direct testimony in this proceeding?
11	A.	Yes.
12	Q.	What is the purpose of your rebuttal testimony?
13	A.	The purpose of my testimony is to rebut the assertions of witnesses Philip
14		Fairey, Jon Klongerbo, Neil Moyer and Dennis Stroer addressing FPL's
15		Residential New Construction program (BuildSmart® or the Program). The
16		assertions raised in the testimony of Richard Dixon and Kenneth Fonorow
17		repeat assertions related to the use of the pressure pan method for duct testing
18		raised by Mr. Fairey and Mr. Klongerbo. I address these issues in the rebuttal
19		to Mr. Fairey's and Mr. Klongerbo's testimony.
20	Q.	Please briefly summarize your rebuttal testimony.
21	A.	Petitioners are confused about or ignore the intent of the BuildSmart®
22		Program. As addressed in my Direct Testimony, filed July 15, 2005, the
23		Program is designed to increase energy efficiency in the residential new home DOCUMENT NUMBER-DATE

construction market. It <u>is not</u> a rating tool. The State of Florida has adopted the Building Energy Rating System (BERS) to rate the energy efficiency of new homes and FPL fully supports this tool. However, the BuildSmart® Program does not require a BERS Rating, nor should it. If a customer wants a BERS Rating, a private rating firm may provide it. Alternatively, FPL may provide it pursuant to FPL's BERS tariff on file with the Florida Public Service Commission (PSC or Commission).

Additionally, Petitioners have focused considerable discussion on the appropriate duct testing method for the Program. Once again, this confuses the intent of the BuildSmart® Program and a BERS Rating. In sum, two different duct testing protocols have been introduced – duct tester and pressure pan — and it is important to distinguish the major differences in the two.

FPL's BuildSmart® Program utilizes the pressure pan technology to locate duct leakage within air-conditioning ductwork. This is an accurate, cost efficient method of determining both the location and magnitude of leakage. The demand and energy impacts for the proposed BuildSmart® program revisions are based on the utilizing the pressure pan technology.

Prior to November 2004, the pressure pan technology was an approved method of testing for duct leakage for a BERS rating. After that date the duct tester is the only approved method. The BERS rating requires that leakage be quantified in cubic feet per minute (cfm). In order to quantify cfm leakage, effective November 2004, the testing protocol has changed to require a duct tester. This method determines the amount of leakage, but it does not determine where the leaks are occurring. When FPL performs a BERS rating, it uses this approved duct testing method.

I. FPL's BUILDSMART® PROGRAM IS COST EFFECTIVE

- Q. Mr. Klongerbo asserts on page 11, lines 19-21, of his testimony that "FPL's BuildSmart Program was not as cost effective as it could be and overly burdens the ratepayer when FPL applies for and receives cost recovery." Do you agree?
- A. No. Mr. Klongerbo's assertion is unsubstantiated. The program cost data presented in "Jon Klongerbo Ex. 1", Table 1, does not match actual conservation program cost data filed with the PSC and overstates the Program's achieved, cost effective cost per home for years 2002-2004.
- Q. Do you believe Mr. Klongerbo's suggested alternative to the proposed modified BuildSmart® Program is a more cost-effective alternative?

A. No. Mr. Klongerbo presents Table 2 to his testimony as a benchmark for comparison of his proposed alternative to FPL's proposed modified BuildSmart® Program. Yet the data provided in Table 2 is unsubstantiated and does not detail assumptions that serve as a basis for each cost category.

First, the "Marketing – Admin" costs are unrealistically low to support and manage a program in growth mode and to provide for the critical activities needed to enroll new builders and sustain their participation. The activities associated with these costs can be extensive and include activities such as builder/trade and contractor/rater awareness, education, training, promotion, coordination and general support, as well as increased outreach, marketing and promotion of the Program to prospective homebuyers. Mr. Klongerbo apparently disregards these activities although there is no doubt that they are crucial to developing builder/homebuyer interest and participation in residential new construction energy efficiency programs.

Second, the "Q.C." costs are unrealistically low to complete the inspections required to verify that each home has met BuildSmart® standards. The listed "Tariff" charge is not associated with energy conservation cost recovery clause (ECCR) recovery, as implied by the Table's "Net ECCR Cost Recovery" calculation.

Finally, the Table also appears to assume that half of the homes will receive a BERS Rating under FPL's BERS Tariff, which indicates that FPL staff will be performing these BERS Ratings directly. This assumption contradicts the proposed modified Program's collaborative approach of working with private Rater firms when a builder or homebuyer desires to achieve both BuildSmart® and ENERGY STAR® and/or Florida Green Building Coalition (FGBC) Green Home certification and therefore requires a BERS Rating.

Overall, Mr. Klongerbo's proposed alternate program is flawed and if his assumptions were adjusted to reflect the key BuildSmart® activity costs contained in the modified Program filing, his proposal would result in a higher cost per home than the cost-effective proposed modified Program

- Q. Please respond to Mr. Klongerbo's recommendation on page 10, lines 1720 of his testimony that the cost effectiveness of a program should be
 measured by whether the cost of the program exceeds what the private
 market can provide without reimbursement from outside sources."
 - A. For the same reason that it is inappropriate for Mr. Fairey to propose a new cost-effectiveness test in this proceeding (See Rebuttal Testimony of Dr. Steven R. Sim), it is inappropriate for Mr. Klongerbo to do so. As a substantive matter, Mr. Klongerbo's suggestion is unworkable because it assumes that the private market can solely achieve the benefits achieved and forecasted through BuildSmart®. This assumption is false and is, in fact, disproved by Mr. Klongerbo's own data. As identified in "Jon Klongerbo Ex.

1", Table 3, the market for BERS Ratings remains low in Florida and the efforts of the private market have not induced significant participation throughout the State. Based on the data provided by the Petitioners regarding the number of Ratings they have completed during the past several years, it appears that the private market had significantly less success in penetrating the residential new construction market in FPL's service territory than the BuildSmart® Program. This insight is significant because the Petitioners acknowledge that a majority of the new construction market has not yet been penetrated by BuildSmart®, indicating that they had ample opportunity to penetrate a large portion of the un-served market through the provision of their BERS Ratings services. However, adoption of their Rating services has been extremely low, thus reflecting the inability of private market forces alone to make a significant impact on energy efficiency in residential new construction and the apparent weak value proposition that their Rating services alone currently present to the builder market.

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Additionally, Mr. Klongerbo's response seems to directly compare the Rater's cost to provide a BERS Rating with the overall cost of performing all activities associated with the BuildSmart® Program. The inspection cost associated with the verification of BuildSmart®-required measures is just one component of the overall Program costs and the Raters' activities are not inclusive of all activities encompassed within the proposed modified BuildSmart® Program.

- Q. Mr. Klongerbo asserts on page 16, lines 3-17, that FPL's BuildSmart®
 Program, as designed, will increase electric rates and create a "windfall profit" to FPL to the extent of recovery of the direct and indirect costs of the Program. Do you agree?
- A. No. The proposed, modified Program is cost effective based on Commissionapproved cost effectiveness methodologies. Under these methodologies, the
 Program's benefits must exceed its costs and therefore result in a net benefit
 to FPL's customers. Further, FPL's recovery of BuildSmart®-related costs are
 restricted to prudently-incurred expenses, and are recovered dollar-for-dollar
 through the ECCR clause. FPL earns no profit on these costs, which are
 reviewed annually by the PSC.

- Q. Please respond to Mr. Klongerbo's assertion on page 11, line 22, through page 12, line 2, that "the program as developed and proposed by FPL results in a low percentage paid from program revenue (as opposed to alternative program including ratings paid by customer); relatively low participation rates; high cost per home (more than the cost of either a utility or independent rating)."
- A. The proposed, modified Program eliminates program participation fees and, therefore, does not have program revenues. Builders, and especially large volume production builders, voiced their objections to paying per-home participation fees in addition to the investments they must make to meet BuildSmart® requirements. These builders believe that the cost increases associated with the energy efficiency-related home upgrades necessary to

participate in BuildSmart® represent the "cost of entry." In effect, BuildSmart® Program participation fees act as a deterrent to production builder participation, which limits the Program's ability to fully tap this large market. By tapping this large market, FPL expects to significantly increase BuildSmart's® participation rates and achieve scale economies to ensure that the Program maintains cost effectiveness even with significantly increased outreach, training, marketing and promotional support – all the key activities necessary to create a robust residential new construction energy efficiency market that will benefit all FPL customers as well as the private Ratings industry.

- Q. Please respond to Mr. Klongerbo's comment on page 13, lines 21-23, that "[i]n 2004, 91% of BuildSmart® costs were borne by the aggregate ratepayer base, wheras 0% of free market, independent operated BERS rating activities were subsidized by the aggregate rate-payer base."
- A. The BuildSmart® Program is proposed as a component of FPL's Demand Side Management (DSM) Plan. The BuildSmart® Program is cost effective based on Commission-approved cost effectiveness methodologies. Additionally, it is important to note the distinction between the BuildSmart® Program and private Rating services. The BuildSmart® Program is designed to prompt the installation of energy efficient measures and to certify that the required measures have been installed in a new home, thus meeting the objectives of the Florida Energy Efficiency and Conservation Act (FEECA). A BERS Rating specifically includes a set of activities described in detail in

Mr. Stroer's, Mr. Klongerbo's, Mr. Fairey's and Mr. Dixon's testimonies – that are designed to result in a comparative energy efficiency score (HERS score), as defined in Rule 9B-60.002, Florida Administrative Code, and provide homeowners with associated documentation. Mr. Stroer's testimony, page 5 line 19 through page 6 line 4, and Mr. Klongerbo's testimony, page 3 line 20 through page 4, line 10, details some of the differences between BuildSmart® and the services that Raters provide. The proposed modified BuildSmart® Program does not require nor directly provide a BERS Rating, as provided through private Rating firms or alternatively through FPL's BERS Tariff. When an FPL customer specifically requests a BERS Rating from FPL, the customer is subject to FPL's BERS Tariff and pays the fees identified within that Tariff. BuildSmart® in no way precludes a builder or homebuyer from also seeking a BERS Rating and key BuildSmart® activities particularly outreach, training, energy analyses and promotion - are in fact complementary to the services provided by Raters.

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- Q. Do you agree with Mr. Klongerbo's statement on page 14, lines 4-7 of his testimony that "[t]he homes rated under the BERS Program are more cost-effective than those under the FPL program subsidized by the ECCR fund, however, there exists no methodology to calculate the DSM savings and effects by the substitution effect of the free-market unsubsidized marketplace"?
- A. This is a broad assertion with no data supporting it. Just because a home has a BERS Rating does not guarantee any level of energy efficiency it is simply a

Rating tool. Further, Mr. Klongerbo's statement is irrelevant to the Commission's decision on this matter. The relevant matter is whether the BuildSmart® Program will provide cost-effective benefits to FPL's customers. The proposed modified BuildSmart® Program is a voluntary program and does not require a BERS Rating nor does it in any way preclude builders from pursuing private BERS Rating services exclusive of BuildSmart®.

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In regards to free market activities, the economic justification for a builder choosing a BERS Raters' services is based on the Rating firm effectively marketing the value of its service and proving to the builder that its value exceeds the costs of the Rating. In regard to the Gainesville Regional Utilities (GRU) example cited by Mr. Klongerbo, to my knowledge, GRU does not have a utility-operated residential new construction ENERGY STAR® Program. The purported Rating participation levels in the Gainesville area could be the result of more effective marketing and business practices of the local Rating firms, possibly in cooperation with GRU, or may result in part from building permitting incentives and promotion available through the City of Gainesville's Green Building Program. The cooperative promotion and support attributed to GRU, which the Petitioners seem to acknowledge as beneficial to their business in the cited GRU example as well as in Mr. Stroer's testimony (page 15, lines 5 and 6 "I see many benefits in a partnership between utilities and private third party energy rating

companies."), is planned at an even greater level within FPL's proposed modified Program. The proposed modified Program's increases support of ENERGY STAR® and its planned collaboration with private Raters to market and implement ENERGY STAR® is expected to lead to increased participation in both programs and increased demand for private Rating services.

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II. FPL'S BUILDSMART® PROGRAM IS MEASURABLE AND MONITORABLE

- Q. Do you agree with Mr. Stroer's argument on page 19, lines 5-19 that FPL's Program "constitutes the creation of free ratings in violation of Commission rules, and FPL tariff schedules"?
 - No. The Petitioners do not understand the proposed changes associated with the modified program and they are inappropriately labeling the BuildSmart® certification as a BERS Rating. BuildSmart® is designed to meet the objectives of FEECA by prompting the installation of energy efficient measures in residential new construction and by verifying that the specific BuildSmart®-required measures have been installed to BuildSmart® standards. The builder or homebuyer then receives certification that the home was constructed to BuildSmart® standards. The proposed modified BuildSmart® Program is not designed to provide builders or homebuyers with a confirmed and registered BERS Rating and HERS score value. The HERS score and the resulting documentation result only from a BERS Rating.

Q. Mr. Stroer asserts on page 16, lines 15-17 that FPL's Program "fails to conform to existing state standards for information provided on the energy efficiency performance of a residential building." Do you agree?

- A. No. Under the proposed, modified Program, BuildSmart® will identify that the participating home is built to a standard beyond the Florida Energy Efficiency Code's minimum requirements. However, BuildSmart® will not provide a BERS Rating or provide customers with a HERS score specifically identifying the home's Rated efficiency level. If a builder or homebuyer desires a HERS score and the associated HERS documentation, BuildSmart® will advise them of BERS Ratings services available through private Rating firms or, alternatively, available under FPL's BERS Tariff. When a builder agrees to participate in both BuildSmart® and ENERGY STAR®, BuildSmart® will provide builder incentives and BuildSmart's® activities will be complimentary to the services provided by private Ratings firm, thereby serving as an enabler to the private Ratings market.
 - Q. Do you agree with Mr. Fairey's assertion on page 7, lines 19-20 that "[t]he best currently available means of cost-effectively assessing energy savings in homes is the Florida Building Energy Rating System" (BERS)?
 - A. No. First, his assertion is unsubstantiated. Also, Mr. Fairey appears to misunderstand the objectives of measuring and monitoring in the context of utility energy conservation programs. The objective of monitoring is to determine, after the fact, how the home performed relative to the initial energy

and demand impact estimates. A BERS Rating would not substitute for the activities FPL performs as part of its measurement and monitoring plan, which includes analyzing and modeling impacts, monitoring the number of participants, the program approach and the specific measures utilized by participants; the electric energy and peak demand savings achieved and the costs of implementing the program. Program participation and efficiency upgrades will be tracked in a BuildSmart® database. FPL will monitor the program's actual results on a continual basis and re-evaluate the forecasted participation levels and the energy and demand impact data, as necessary, over time. BuildSmart's® measurement and monitoring plan, as further described in my Direct Testimony, is appropriate for this purpose.

- Q. Do you see problems with Mr. Fairey's suggestion on page 13, lines 15-18 of his testimony that "[t]he Commission could require that all residential energy savings for utility programs that are subject to energy conservation cost recovery be verified through registered Class 2 (inspected in the field) or Class 1 (inspected and tested in the field) confirmed Building Energy Rating System performance ratings?
- A. Yes. If Mr. Fairey's suggestion is intended for all residential utility energy savings programs, then this requirement would place an unnecessary cost burden on other programs that are not targeted to new home construction. Alternatively, if Mr. Fairey's suggestion is only for new home construction programs, there still exists the issue that BERS is a voluntary standard and is not mandated for all new homes. The proposed modified BuildSmart®

Program's inspection activities are not designed to provide a formal BERS Rating for a home but rather are designed to efficiently and effectively verify that the required BuildSmart® measures, designed to meet FEECA objectives, have been installed in the home so that the home may receive BuildSmart® certification. Completing a BERS Rating requires a more complex set of activities that go beyond the activities required to certify a BuildSmart® home and - if required for every participating BuildSmart® home - would therefore result in additional program and/or participant costs. Consumers who see value in receiving a confirmed BERS Rating for their home currently have the voluntary option of paying for a BERS Rating from private Rating firms or through FPL's BERS Tariff. However, consumers who do not desire a formal BERS Rating should not be mandated to obtain one – this requirement would in fact conflict with the voluntary aspect of the BERS system. This additional expense, when not desired by the homebuyer or builder, will act as an impediment to encouraging builders to install energy efficient measures that cost effectively meet the objectives of FEECA.

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- Q. Mr. Stroer seems to suggest on page 9, lines 18-20, of his testimony that FPL has a "financial interest in the home being rated." Do you agree?
- A. No. FPL does not have a financial interest in homes being rated. As required by Rule 25-17.003(4), Florida Administrative Code, charges for BERS audits reflect the Company's actual cost of performing such audits.

Q. Please respond to Mr. Fairey's assertion on page 5, lines 18-21, that the "most effective way" to measure and monitor residential building energy efficiencies is through trained and certified third-party inspections and testing.

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- A. As purported in Mr. Stroer's testimony (page 16, lines 5-6), most certified
 Raters work for utilities. Therefore, based on Mr. Fairey's assertion,
 BuildSmart® employees, who are trained and certified to perform Ratings,
 would be a viable choice for performing BuildSmart® inspections. Further,
 FPL has a robust plan for monitoring and evaluating all of its DSM programs,
 which is handled by an outside consultant.
 - Q. Do you agree with Mr. Klongerbo's assertion on page 8, line 15, that the prescriptive approach proposed by FPL provides no benefit because there are "[n]o provisions for quality control by a 3rd party entity"?
 - No. Homes participating in the BuildSmart® Prescriptive approach will be subject to BuildSmart® inspections necessary to validate that required BuildSmart® measures have been installed. Additionally, the Prescriptive approach will provide significant benefits. The Prescriptive approach is designed specifically to address production builders' needs for simple and consistent participation requirements. By designing a Program approach to serve this substantial market, FPL expects significantly increased, cost-effective participation that will provide benefits to all FPL customers and will further meet the objectives of FEECA. Mr. Klongerbo's assertion appears to

be based on the economic benefit that a private Rating firm would achieve if such a firm were paid to provide Ratings for all BuildSmart®-certified homes. Although the proposed, modified Program is designed to encourage increased demand for Rating services through increased promotion of ENERGY STAR®, the Program is specifically designed to cost effectively meet the objectives of FEECA and is not solely focused on creating a business opportunity for private Rating firms.

- Q. Mr. Stroer asserts on page 17, lines 17-19 that one of the criteria to evaluate the energy efficiency programs at issue should be "whether the program maximizes the use of other reasonably available resources, both within and without FPL, and thereby minimizes its impact on the ratepayer for cost recovery." Do you agree with his suggestion?
- A. No. It has no basis in FEECA or the Commission's rules and is an inappropriate question because it does not provide any objective definition or criteria for what might be deemed a "reasonably available resource." The Petitioners have presented no data demonstrating that the use of resources outside of FPL would minimize the cost of the BuildSmart® Program.
- Q. Mr. Klongerbo's recommends on page 9, lines 16-21, that "[a] third-party, respected entity should have the authority to randomly select homes for on-site re-inspection and re-testing of homes for adherence to standards. This party should also have the authority to investigate consumer complaints. In the event of non-compliance to standards of the

- program, they should have the authority to administer administrative sanctions to reflect the severity of the non-compliance." Are there problems with his recommendations?
- A. Yes. FPL is ultimately responsible for ensuring that BuildSmart® fulfills the
 Program requirements and goals approved by the Commission. Additionally,
 FPL is responsible for ensuring that the Program is measured and monitored
 per the Commission-approved Plan. It is not, and should not be, the
 responsibility of Rater entities to investigate and sanction FPL DSM-related
 customer complaints.

- Q. Mr. Fairey states on page 13, lines 4-8 that, "[o]ther than meeting the Florida Building Energy Rating System requirements for training and certification of Raters and review by the Energy Gauge Office of Ratings that are submitted for registration, I am not aware of any additional internal FPL quality control procedures or provisions within their BuildSmart program." Please describe the quality control procedures and provisions within the BuildSmart® Program.
 - A. Every BuildSmart® home is inspected by trained BuildSmart® representatives, many of whom are state-certified Raters. Upon identification of a deficiency in any program-related measure, BuildSmart® representatives notify the builder of the deficiency and will not certify the home as BuildSmart® until the identified deficiency is corrected and re-inspected to verify its passing status. Program participation, efficiency upgrades and

inspection results are tracked in a BuildSmart® database. FPL monitors the Program's actual results on a continual basis and re-evaluates the forecasted participation levels and the energy and demand impact data, as necessary, over time.

Q. Is FPL's methodology for duct testing inappropriate for BuildSmart®, as suggested by Mr. Fairey and Mr. Moyer?

A.

No. The Pressure Pan Method used for the BuildSmart® Program is appropriate for meeting BuildSmart® air-conditioning duct standards and for identifying accurate demand and energy impacts associated with the ductwork requirement. After evaluation of multiple duct testing methods, FPL's energy and demand impacts were derived based on the duct testing method currently in use by the Program. The duct testing protocol using the pressure pan screening method, as was taught by the Florida Solar Energy Center and described as a threshold test in Mr. Fairey's testimony, was selected due to its ability to efficiently and cost effectively identify duct leaks for repair, an important requirement in maintaining overall program cost effectiveness. Because reported impacts are based on this method, it is currently the appropriate method for determining whether a home complies with BuildSmart® standards and for calculating demand and energy impacts associated with this measure.

- Q. Please respond to Mr. Klongerbo's assertion on page 6, lines 15-16 that "[p]ressure pan testing is not a recognized protocol for duct testing for a HERS Rating or a BERS Class 1 Rating."
- A. Mr. Klongerbo is correct that pressure pan testing is not a recognized protocol for a BERS Class 1 Rating as of November 2004. Prior to November 2004, the pressure pan test was a recognized protocol and, in fact, was taught as part of the BERS training conducted by the Florida Solar Energy Center.

- FPL's BuildSmart® Program is designed to provide certification that cost-effective energy efficiency measures have been installed in a home and meet BuildSmart® standards. The Program is not designed to provide a HERS Rating or a BERS Class 1 Rating and, therefore, is not mandated to use the duct testing protocol specified for a BERS Rating. As noted in the previous response, the pressure pan method is currently the appropriate method for diagnosing duct leakage for repair in BuildSmart® homes, and for quantifying and reporting BuildSmart® impacts.
- Q. Do you agree with Mr. Klongerbo's assertion on page 8, lines 12-14, that the "[p]rescriptive program involves use of the Pressure Pan testing methodology which would result in an artificially low result for leakage"?
- A. No. Although leakage results will differ depending on the testing method used, within the context of BuildSmart® Program requirements, the main issues are whether Program reported impacts are accurate based upon the

program objectives of cost effectively identifying duct leaks for repair. Because the BuildSmart® Program impacts were developed based upon the pressure pan method, the leakage results provided by that method provide accurate demand and energy impacts associated with the cost effective identification of duct system leaks. It is important to note that the duct testing issues raised by Mr. Klongerbo, Mr. Fairey and Mr. Moyer are applicable to processes defined for the more complex BERS Rating and used to generate a HERS score. The proposed modified BuildSmart® Program does not provide a BERS Rating or a HERS score.

- Q. Mr. Stroer asserts on page 5, lines 9-15, that the duct testing method he utilizes uncovers much more duct leakage than FPL's method. Please respond.
- A. Based upon the data provided by Mr. Stroer, it is difficult to substantiate his assertion. It is unclear whether this data was validated by an independent party or whether the data is solely based on Mr. Stroer's own testing results. However, there are a number of possible reasons why data may vary:
 - The Petitioner and Respondent utilize different testing methods, each method suitable for their own specific need but which will result in different data values. As mentioned above, BuildSmart's® protocols are designed to provide the most cost effective identification of duct system leaks to meet BuildSmart® Program standards, not necessarily to ensure a completely leak free duct system.

The tests may have been performed on different dates and/or at 1 different times and may have been affected by changing field 2 conditions caused by worker disruption or homeowner actions. 3 Basic home data, such as square footage, may be wrong in the 4 5 petitioner's file, leading to inaccurate results. At the time Mr. Stroer performed his test, homes listed in his file may 6 have failed BuildSmart® inspection and ductwork not yet been 7 repaired nor the home received final BuildSmart® certification. 8 Q. Mr. Stroer suggests on page 6, line 9 through page 7, line 2, that homes in 9 a designated "BuildSmart Gold Community" failed the Program's 10 "Technical Specifications of Eligibility." Is this true? 11 A. No. Mr. Stroer is incorrect in identifying the noted community as a 12 "BuildSmart Gold Community." In fact, less than 1% of these homes were 13 actually certified as Gold homes under the existing BuildSmart® Program. 14 Most of the homes within this community achieve Bronze or Silver 15 classification under the existing Program. These homes are each inspected and 16 upon identification of deficiencies, using FPL inspection and testing 17

Q. Does FPL refuse to share the Energy Gauge file with private raters, as alleged by Mr. Stroer on page 9, lines 9-14?

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protocols, they would not be issued a BuildSmart® certificate until such

A. It is FPL's policy not to share this customer-specific data unless it has permission to do so.

III. FPL'S BUILDSMART® PROGRAM OTHERWISE COMPLIES WITH SECTION 366.82(3), FLORIDA STATUTES, AND APPLICABLE COMMISSION RULES AND POLICIES

Q. Regarding the BuildSmart® Program, Mr. Stroer states on page 10, lines 3-10, that "[i]t has been clear from the documents submitted by FPL over the years, in support of their program and its proposed modifications, that its achievements compared to the current national standard for an 'energy efficient' home, the ENERGY STAR HOME® is woefully lacking. It is also clear that its market penetration rate is woefully low even for its modest gains per home; that conclusion may be drawn from their testimony for supporting a modification in their program as well as from a review of various data that we provided them in our response to their discovery requests." Do you agree with Mr. Stroer's assertions?

A.

No. The Program design is targeted at prompting the installation of energy efficient measures that address FEECA objectives, while also minimizing the likelihood of builders or homebuyers comprising overall home performance. The BuildSmart® Program is not designed to exclusively certify ENERGY STAR® homes; ENERGY STAR®-certified homes are just a component of the overall BuildSmart® participation. However, the proposed, modified Program increases support for the ENERGY STAR® program and expects to

achieve a significant increase in homes certified both BuildSmart® and ENERGY STAR®. Also, Mr. Stroer's assertions are irrelevant. His assertions reflect past Program results. These results are based on the current Program's appeal to the custom, low volume home market. The proposed modified Program is designed to further penetrate the residential new construction market and achieve energy performance gains across the entire builder market, with emphasis on the production builder market. The modified Program is designed to permit builders previously unwilling to participate, especially production builders, to participate at levels practical to their unique target market, construction and budget needs. The modified program is designed to continually work with builders to educate them and encourage them to implement additional upgrades and measures that will lead to increasing levels of efficiency.

- Q. Do you agree with Mr. Fairey's assertion on page 11, lines 16-19, that "the [BuildSmart®] Program design is effectively rewarding the lower 10% savings level of the 'Prescriptive' approach by not providing any significant incentive to reach the greater 20% savings required as a minimum by the 'Flexible' approach''?
- A. No. A basic flaw in Mr. Fairey's assertion relates to his lack of understanding of the builder market and builder-perceived incentives. Builders see value in the differentiation and competitive positioning provided through the BuildSmart® or BuildSmart® plus ENERGY STAR® or FGBC certification, and their primary demand, before or in addition to cash incentives, relates to

all the additional outreach, training, marketing and promotional services provided through BuildSmart®. The value they perceive from these efforts is a strong motivator for their participation and the distinction provided by participating at the BuildSmart® plus ENERGY STAR® and/or FGBC level provides motivation for achieving this level, if the builder can practically do so.

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Q. Does the proposed modified Program encourage builders to incorporate energy efficient measures in homes?

Yes. The proposed modified Program is designed to recognize the critical role that the builder plays in the "customer chain" by developing program approaches more aligned with the needs of custom and production builder markets. FPL will initially work with builders to identify the program approach that best suits them. Builders willing to pursue the higher levels of efficiency will be recognized for achieving both BuildSmart® and ENERGY STAR® and/or FGBC certification - the incentive being added differentiation and subsequent promotion for achieving this level of efficiency - and, via the HERS score provided through Rater services, homebuyers associated with these builders will receive explicit information and detailed reports regarding a home's energy efficiency score, which serves as a further incentive for the builder to participate. Builders unwilling to achieve the highest level of efficiencies, due to target market and/or construction budget issues, yet still willing to implement upgraded measures that provide cost effective benefits to FPL customers will receive recognition of BuildSmart® certification only.

Providing both a Prescriptive approach and a Flexible approach ensures that FPL is not leaving cost effective DSM "on the table."

FPL expects the Prescriptive approach to initially appeal to production builders previously unwilling to participate due to perceived complexity and cost of a flexible approach and FPL expects, at least initially, a substantial number of new production builder homes to participate via the Prescriptive approach. As BuildSmart® develops strong relationships with production builders and develops recognition as the builder's energy expert, the Program will continually encourage these builders to progressively increase the energy efficient measures included in their homes as a means to strengthen their competitive position and differentiation within the residential new construction market.

- Q. Do you believe the question of whether Mr. Klongerbo or Mr. Stroer have lost business due to FPL's BuildSmart® Program is relevant to the Commission's consideration of the proposed Program modifications?

A. No. FPL submits that Calcs-Plus' competitive economic interests in this

Docket are not of the kind the Commission is charged to protect. In addition,

the example of lost business that is cited in Mr. Klongerbo's testimony (page

3, line 8), Accessible Structures Inc., is a business that, to my knowledge,

never participated in the BuildSmart® Program. Therefore, it is difficult to

understand how Calcs Plus can claim lost business due to BuildSmart®. To

the contrary, one of Calcs Plus' most apparent Ratings business successes is

the WCI Communities' project in Venice, referenced in Mr. Stroer's testimony (page 14, line 3). This builder is one of BuildSmart's® most active participants and sees the strong value proposition that results from achieving both BuildSmart® and Green Building certification. This example actually illustrates the potential that the proposed, modified Program presents for increasing demand for Ratings and for achieving a win-win-win collaborative approach that benefits builders, private Raters and FPL's customers through increased incorporation of cost effective, energy efficient measures in new homes.

- Q. Mr. Klongerbo asserts on page 17, lines 7-18, that FPL's BuildSmart®

 Program grants "undue and/or unreasonable preferences and or
 advantages to certain persons contrary to § 366.03, F.S." Do you agree
 with his analysis?
- A. I am not an attorney and do not profess to testify as to whether a statute has been violated. However, I can respond to Mr. Klongerbo's analysis. Clearly, Mr. Klongerbo's analysis is flawed. Both Mr. Stroer and Mr. Klongerbo point out in their testimony that there is a distinction between the services they provide BERS Ratings and the basic BuildSmart® certification. Therefore, it is difficult to understand why Mr. Klongerbo perceives BuildSmart® to be a competitor as opposed to being an ally in promoting energy efficiency within the residential new construction market. Mr. Stroer's own testimony states that he believes there are benefits in partnering with a utility. Also, because

the Program is cost effective based on Commission-approved methodologies, all FPL customers benefit from this Program.

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- Q. Do you believe that Mr. Klongerbo's assertion on page 5, lines 18-19 that "[t]here are areas in the State where energy-efficiency programs thrive with a participation fee or charges for services" is relevant or appropriate for the Commission's consideration of whether FPL's Program will have greater penetration if participation fees for builders are eliminated?
- A. No. Mr. Klongerbo's assertion is unsubstantiated. Notwithstanding this issue, FPL did not infer that the fee is a barrier – rather, builders directly told FPL that the BuildSmart® participation fee is a barrier to participation. This point is further evidenced by the fact that even though Mr. Klongerbo claims that a miniscule charge - such as the current cost associated with BuildSmart® participation or the cost of a BERS Rating - should not be an inhibitor, production builders have apparently been reluctant to participate in BuildSmart® or BERS Ratings services to date. So it is apparent that builders do scrutinize all extra expenses that impact the construction budget. Furthermore, Mr. Stroer's response on page 9, lines 11-14, provides solid reasoning for the elimination of the BuildSmart® participation fees. With the BuildSmart® participation fee eliminated, the builder only has to pay the BERS Rating fees for homes certified both BuildSmart® and FGBC and/or ENERGY STAR®, and the builder could then use the money previously incurred in paying BuildSmart® participation fees to invest in additional energy efficient measure upgrades. The Rater would also benefit by having an

- additional partner BuildSmart® providing key activities that will result in sustained builder participation.
- Q. Please respond to Mr. Klongerbo's comment that eliminating
 BuildSmart® participation fees and providing incentives to builders
 seeking ENERGY STAR® certification "is contradictory to the reason
 for eliminating participation fees to increase market penetration." (Page
 7, lines 5-7).

- A. Again, Mr. Klongerbo's assertion reflects a lack of understanding of the proposed, modified Program. Mr. Klongerbo does not understand this component of the Program. The participation fees relate to the BuildSmart® certification. A BERS Rating is required by ENERGY STAR® and by FGBC, not by BuildSmart®. With the current Program design, a builder's cost to participate in BuildSmart® and ENERGY STAR® or FGBC includes 1) cost of measure upgrades, 2) BuildSmart® fees (when Silver or Bronze level) and 3) Rater's fees (for BERS Rating). Eliminating the BuildSmart® fee actually will allow the builder to budget for additional energy efficiency measures using the savings resulting from not incurring the BuildSmart® participation fee. Also, under the proposed, modified Program, builders will receive enhanced promotional support from FPL.
- Q. Do you agree with Mr. Klongerbo's suggestion on page 8, lines 1-5, that the proposed modifications to BuildSmart® creates confusion because

there	is	"no	distinction"	between	the	Flexible	and	Prescriptive
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- No. Again, Mr. Klongerbo's assertion reflects a misunderstanding of the proposed, modified Program. The current system of "levels" did not prove effective because it created homebuyer confusion. The proposed redesigned Program is designed to recognize the critical role that the builder plays in the "customer chain" by developing program approaches aligned with the needs of custom and production builder markets each program approach suited to key builder markets. FPL will initially work with each builder to identify the program approach that best suits them. Through BuildSmart®, homebuyers will gain assurance and certification that their homes include measures that meet FPL BuildSmart® standards and exceed minimal code requirements. Additionally, builders participating in both BuildSmart® and ENERGY STAR® will receive recognition of participation at this level and through the collaborative effort of the builder, FPL and the builder's Rater, will receive a HERS score and report detailing their home's specific energy efficiency level.
- Q. Mr. Klongerbo asserts on page 15, lines 3-23, that the ENERGY STAR® program "should be integrated into any Florida program encouraging energy efficient building practices." Do you agree?
- 20 A. Yes. In fact, FPL's proposed modified BuildSmart® Program will enhance the 21 Program's support of ENERGY STAR® through increased outreach and 22 builder incentives. As ENERGY STAR® participation criteria is modified,

BuildSmart® representatives will educate local builders on these changes and provide recommendations for how builders may achieve ENERGY STAR® certification under revised criteria. All of these activities will further facilitate builders' involvement in ENERGY STAR®. Additionally, builder incentives, such as cooperative advertising incentives of up to \$50 per home, will be available to builders for qualifying BuildSmart® homes that also achieve certification through the ENERGY STAR® program. Finally, eliminating BuildSmart® participation fees and providing incentives to builders further strengthens BuildSmart's® ability to partner with private Raters, thereby creating a complement of services to those builders seeking ENERGY STAR® certification, and creating a collaborative approach that strengthens both BuildSmart's® and the Raters' value proposition to these builders.

Q. Do you have any comments on Table 4 to Mr. Klongerbo's testimony?

A. Yes. Mr. Klongerbo's Table 4 appears to detail BuildSmart® Program statistics associated with the current Program design and BERS Program statistics. It is not apparent how these statistics are relevant to the proposed, modified Program as FPL seeks to eliminate the Gold, Silver and Bronze levels and given that the proposed modified FPL BuildSmart® Program does not provide BERS Ratings.

Q. Does this conclude your rebuttal testimony?

21 A. Yes.