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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

DIRECT TESTIMONY OF

COREY ZEIGLER

ON BEHALF OF

PROGRESS ENERGY FLORIDA

DOCKET NO. 090007-EI

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Q. Please state your name and business address.

A. My name is Corey Zeigler. My business address is 299 First Avenue North, St. Petersburg, Florida 33701.

Q. By whom are you employed and in what capacity?

A. I am employed by Progress Energy Florida (PEF) as Manager, Environmental Permitting & Compliance.

Q. What are your responsibilities in that position?

A. Currently, my responsibilities include managing environmental permitting and compliance activities for Energy Delivery Florida. Energy Delivery Florida is part of the Florida Distribution Business unit of which I support the Distribution and Transmission Operation and Planning Department.

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1 **Q. Please describe your educational background and professional experience.**

2 A. I received a Bachelors of Science degree in General Business Administration
3 and Management from the University of South Florida. Prior to holding this
4 role I was the Health and Safety Manager for Progress Energy Florida
5 Transmission and Delivery. I have 17 years experience in the utility industry
6 holding various operational, supervisor and managerial roles at Progress Energy.

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8 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

9 A. The purpose of my testimony is to explain material variances between the actual
10 project expenditures versus the Estimated/Actual project expenditures for
11 environmental compliance costs associated with PEF's Substation
12 Environmental Investigation, Remediation, and Pollution Prevention Program
13 (Project 1 & 1a), the Distribution System Environmental Investigation,
14 Remediation, and Pollution Prevention Program (Project 2), and Sea Turtle
15 (Project 9) for the period January 2008 through December 2008.

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17 **Q. How did actual O&M expenditures for January 2008 through December**
18 **2008 compare with PEF's estimated / actual projections as presented in**
19 **previous testimony and exhibits for the Substation System Program?**

20 A. The project expenditure variance for the Substation System Program was
21 \$980,253 or 20% more than projected. This increase is primarily attributable to
22 higher amounts of subsurface contamination encountered during remediation of

1 substations that was not evident during the original visual environmental
2 inspections.

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4 **Q. How did actual O&M expenditures for January 2008 through December**
5 **2008 compare with PEF's estimated / actual projections as presented in**
6 **previous testimony and exhibits for the Distribution System Program?**

7 A. The project expenditure variance for the Distribution System Program was
8 \$4,068,602 or 27% more than projected. This increase is driven by a higher unit
9 cost associated with remediation sites that took longer than one day (as
10 originally projected) to complete because of soil conditions or extent of the
11 contamination.

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13 **Q. How did actual O&M expenditures for January 2008 through December**
14 **2008 compare with PEF's estimated / actual projections as presented in**
15 **previous testimony and exhibits for the Sea Turtle Program?**

16 A. Actual O&M expenditures are in line with PEF's previously filed
17 Estimated/Actual projections. The actual expenditures on the Sea Turtle Project
18 were \$110,572, compared to the Estimated/Actual projection of \$106,711 for an
19 immaterial variance of \$3,861 in 2008.

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21 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

22 A. Yes.