

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

IN RE: NUCLEAR POWER PLANT COST
RECOVERY CLAUSE

Docket No. 090009-EI

EXHIBIT B

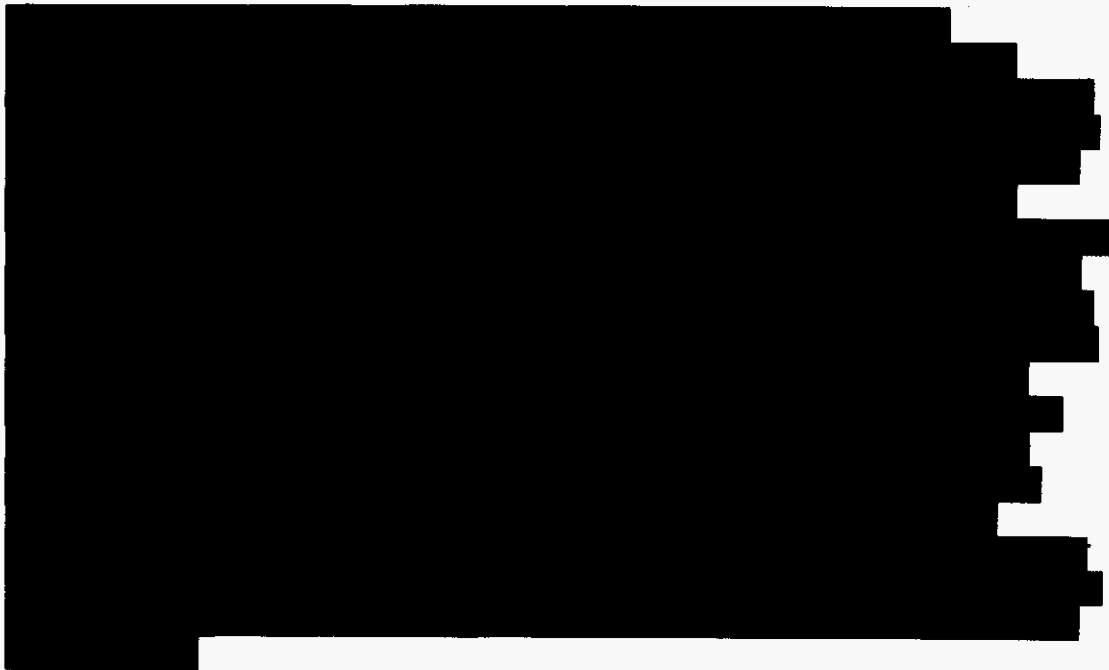
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31. Gary Miller Testimony, May 1, 2009. Why was it prudent to make firm commitments before a reasonable NRC COLA schedule was known?

Answer

For the purpose of responding to this interrogatory, PEF assumes that the term "firm commitments" refers to any cost PEF has incurred to date on the project. PEF further assumes that "reasonable NRC COLA schedule" means the schedule that PEF originally requested.

PEF determined that baseload electrical generating resources were required for the PEF system in the 2016-2019 timeframe. The Florida Public Service Commission (PSC) concurred and voted unanimously on July 15th, 2008, to approve the Determination of Need for two units at Levy without conditions and subsequently issued its final order on August 12th 2008. The COLA was docketed on October 6, 2008, and the review schedule for Levy was initially expected to be issued in November.



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