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The filing is to be made in Docket 090079-EI, In re: Petition for rate increase in rates by Progress Energy Florida, Inc.;

The attached document is PEF's Notice of Filing Verified Affidavit of Michael Rib in Support of PEF's 7th Request for Confidential Classification; Michael Rib Affidavit

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

IN RE:
PETITION FOR INCREASE IN RATES
BY PROGRESS ENERGY FLORIDA, INC.

Docket No. 090079-EI
Submitted for filing: August 14, 2009

**NOTICE OF FILING VERIFIED AFFIDAVIT OF MICHAEL RIB IN SUPPORT OF
PEF'S SEVENTH REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION**

Notice is hereby given, through the undersigned counsel, on behalf of Progress Energy Florida, Inc. of service of filing the Verified Affidavit of MICHAEL RIB in support of Progress Energy Florida's Seventh Request for Confidential Classification filed with the Court on August 13, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,



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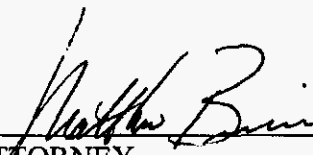
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been served via electronic and U.S. Mail to the following counsel of record as indicated below on this 14th day of August, 2009.


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RATES BY PROGRESS ENERGY
FLORIDA, INC.

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**AFFIDAVIT OF MICHAEL RIB IN SUPPORT OF PROGRESS ENERGY
FLORIDA'S SEVENTH REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION**

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF Pinellas

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority duly authorized to administer oaths, personally appeared Michael Rib, who being first duly sworn, on oath deposes and says that:

1. My name is Michael Rib. I am over the age of 18 years old and I have been authorized by Progress Energy Florida (hereinafter "PEF" or the "Company") to give this affidavit in the above-styled proceeding on PEF's behalf and in support of PEF's Request for Confidential Classification. The facts attested to in my affidavit are based upon my personal knowledge.
2. I am the Project Leader in PEF's System Planning Department responsible for energy resource strategic planning activities that depend on the confidential information addressed herein.
3. PEF is seeking confidential classification of portions of the responsive documents to the Florida Industrial Power Users Group's ("FIPUG") Fourth Request for Production of Documents. A detailed description of the confidential information at issue is contained in confidential Attachment A to PEF's Request for Confidential Classification and is outlined in

PEF's Justification Matrix that is attached to PEF's Request for Confidential Classification as Exhibit C. PEF is requesting confidential classification of this information because it includes confidential and proprietary information related to the Company's competitive business interests, the disclosure of which would compromise PEF's competitive business interests.

4. Specifically, the documents produced in response to this Request for Production include confidential information regarding the Company's strategic plans. Specifically, the responsive documents include PEF's projected Steam Unit Operating and Maintenance Rates, Peaking Unit Variable Costs, CT Maintenance Plans, and other documents which provide information on the Company's planning strategies. The information included in these documents is input information collected from various internal sources used to perform the planning function. Disclosure of this information would impair PEF's competitive business interests by making sensitive information publicly available, thereby providing third parties a competitive advantage when negotiating contracts with PEF in the future, as well as allowing third parties to otherwise alter their activities in the market place. Therefore, public disclosure of this information could adversely affect the Company's ability to purchase necessary commodities at advantageous prices and to enter into competitively priced contracts, therefore impacting the Company's competitive interests and ultimately having a detrimental impact on PEF's ratepayers.

5. Strict procedures are established and followed to maintain the confidentiality of the documents and information provided, including restricting access to those persons who need the information to assist the Company, and restricting the number of, and access to the information. At no time since receiving the information in question has the Company publicly disclosed that information. The Company has treated and continues to treat the information at

issue as confidential. In addition, PEF has provided this information in response to various discovery requests throughout this proceeding, and at all times the Company has maintained the confidentiality of the information at issue.

6. This concludes my affidavit.

Further affiant sayeth not.

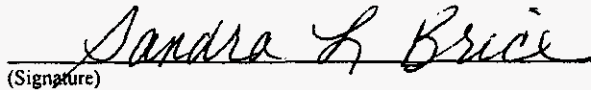
Dated the 13th day of August, 2009.



(Signature)

Michael Rib
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THE FOREGOING INSTRUMENT was sworn to and subscribed before me this 13th day of August, 2009 by Michael Rib. He is personally known to me, or has produced his _____ driver's license, or his _____ as identification.



(Signature)

Sandra L. Brice

(Printed Name)

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(Commission Expiration Date)

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