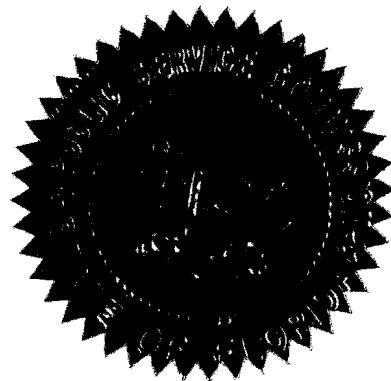


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2 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Good morning. I would like
3 to call this hearing to order. I would like to begin by
4 asking staff, would you please read the notice.

5 MR. YOUNG: Good morning, Commissioners. By
6 noticed issued on August 14, 2009, this time and place
7 has been set for a hearing in Docket No. 090009-EI. The
8 purpose of the hearing is set out in the notice.

9 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Okay. Let's take
10 appearances of the parties.

11 MR. KRASOWSKI: Excuse me, Mr. Chairman.
12 Could I raise a point of order? Would that be
13 appropriate at this moment?

14 CHAIRMAN CARTER: No, it would not,
15 Mr. Krasowski.

16 MR. KRASOWSKI: Okay. When might it be?

17 CHAIRMAN CARTER: I'll have staff to talk to
18 you, but it will not be appropriate in this hearing.

19 MR. KRASOWSKI: Okay. I wanted to ask about
20 public comment. Is there no time allotted for public
21 comment?

22 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Thank you, Mr. Krasowski.
23 Have a nice day.

24 Mr. Anderson.

25 MR. ANDERSON: Thank you. Good morning,

1 Chairman Carter and Commissioners. Bryan Anderson,
2 Jessica Cano, and Ken Rubin, R-u-b-i-n, appearing for
3 Florida Power & Light Company today.

4 MR. WALLS: Good morning. Mike Walls and
5 Diane Triplett with Carlton Fields on behalf of Progress
6 Energy Florida. I would also like to enter an
7 appearance for Alex Glenn and John Burnett for Progress
8 Energy Florida. Mr. Burnett is covering a deposition in
9 the Progress Energy rate case this morning and will join
10 us after that. And we have one more appearance of Ed
11 Roach with McGuire Woods who is also representing
12 Progress Energy Florida.

13 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Okay. Mr. McGlothlin, good
14 morning.

15 MR. MCGLOTHLIN: Good morning. Joe McGlothlin
16 and Charles Rehwinkel with the Office of Public Counsel.

17 MR. DAVIS: Good morning, Mr. Chair. My name
18 is Gary Davis. I represent the Southern Alliance for
19 Clean Energy, and I'm happy to be with the Commission
20 today.

21 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Mr. Jacobs, good morning.

22 MR. JACOBS: Good morning, Mr. Chairman. I'm
23 Leon Jacobs also representing the Southern Alliance.

24 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Mr. Moyle, good morning.

25 MR. MOYLE: Good morning, Mr. Chairman. I'm

1 Jon Moyle, Keefe, Anchors, Gordon & Moyle law firm,
2 representing the Florida Industrial Power Users Group,
3 FIPUG.

4 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Mr. Brew, good to see you
5 again.

6 MR. BREW: Thank you. Good morning,
7 Mr. Chairman and Commissioners. James Brew with the
8 firm of Brickfield, Burchette, Ritts & Stone for White
9 Springs Agricultural Chemicals doing business as PCS
10 Phosphate.

11 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Thank you.

12 CAPTAIN McNEILL: Captain Shayla McNeill on
13 behalf of the Federal Executive Agencies and the United
14 States Air Force.

15 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Thank you.

16 MR. YOUNG: Keino Young, Lisa Bennett, and
17 Anna R. Williams, staff.

18 MS. HELTON: Mary Anne Helton, advisor to the
19 Commission.

20 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Thank you. Staff, are there
21 any preliminary matters?

22 MR. YOUNG: Yes, Mr. Chairman. Staff has --
23 as the first preliminary matter, staff has prepared a
24 Comprehensive Exhibit List which all the parties should
25 have. If you don't have a copy, please let me know.

1 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Do all parties have the
2 preliminary exhibit list?

3 Okay. You may proceed, staff.

4 MR. YOUNG: Staff has prepared a Comprehensive
5 Exhibit List. The list itself is marked as Exhibit
6 Number 1, and there are no objections to the
7 Comprehensive Exhibit List. Staff will ask that Exhibit
8 Number 1 be entered into the record after opening
9 statements or at the Chairman's pleasure.

10 CHAIRMAN CARTER: We'll do it after opening
11 statements. You may proceed.

12 (Exhibit Number 1 was identified for the
13 record.)

14 MR. YOUNG: Also, Mr. Chairman, staff will ask
15 that staff's Stipulated Exhibit Lists be marked as
16 Exhibits Number 2 and 3. Mr. Chairman, it's the green
17 and yellow sheets, for ease of reference, which you
18 should have. And if a party doesn't have a copy, please
19 let me know.

20 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Do all parties have a copy
21 of the green and yellow sheets?

22 (Exhibits Number 2 and 3 were marked for
23 identification.)

24 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Okay. You may proceed,
25 staff.

1 MR. YOUNG: Mr. Chairman, staff will ask that
2 Exhibits 2 and 3 be entered into the record after
3 opening statements or at the Chairman's pleasure.

4 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Okay. We'll do it right
5 after opening statements after we deal with the
6 Comprehensive Exhibit List. You may proceed. Wait a
7 minute. We'll do it at that point in time. Are there
8 any objections to that? Okay. You may proceed.

9 MR. YOUNG: Staff would suggest making the
10 prefiled exhibits as numbered in the Comprehensive
11 Exhibit List and suggest that any other exhibits
12 proffered during the hearing be numbered sequentially
13 following those listed in the Comprehensive Exhibit
14 List.

15 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Show it done. You may
16 proceed.

17 MR. YOUNG: Mr. Chairman, all the parties,
18 staff, and Commissioners have indicated that they have
19 no questions for the following witnesses: Lynn Fisher,
20 David Rich, Jeffrey Small, Gary Furman, and Will
21 Garrett. These witnesses' testimony and exhibits can be
22 stipulated into the record and the witnesses can be
23 excused.

24 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Show it done. And as we go
25 through the record, when those witnesses' names come up,

1 we'll enter their testimony into the record and their
2 exhibits into the record in that sequence. You may
3 proceed.

4 COMMISSIONER EDGAR: Excuse me. Mr. Chairman,
5 could I just ask our staff to run through that list one
6 more time a little more slowly.

7 MR. YOUNG: Okay. I'm sorry. It's Lynn
8 Fisher and David Rich, Jeffrey Small. And all those,
9 the names I just called, are staff witnesses. Gary
10 Furman, which is Progress Energy's witness, and Will
11 Garrett, which is Progress Energy's witness.

12 COMMISSIONER EDGAR: Thank you.

13 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Okay. You may proceed,
14 staff.

15 MR. YOUNG: Mr. Chairman, I think you just
16 mentioned this. The stipulated prefiled testimony and
17 exhibits can be taken up in turn as the witnesses are
18 called at the hearing.

19 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Okay.

20 MR. YOUNG: And at that time, staff will
21 recommend that the testimony of the stipulated witness
22 be inserted into the record as though read, and staff
23 will request that the stipulated exhibits be moved into
24 the record at that time.

25 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Okay.

1 MR. YOUNG: Staff would note that Mr. Carl
2 Vinson is adopting Mr. Geoff Cryan's prefiled direct
3 testimony. The parties are aware of Mr. Vinson's
4 adoption of Mr. Cryan's testimony and do not object.

5 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Okay. Should we wait until
6 we get to that point to deal with it?

7 MR. YOUNG: Yes, sir.

8 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Okay. Well, let's do it
9 then. You may proceed.

10 MR. YOUNG: Before we do that, Mr. Chairman, I
11 just want to make sure that there are no objections for
12 the record.

13 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Are there any objections
14 from any of the parties about Mr. Cryan -- Mr. Vinson
15 adopting Mr. Cryan's prefiled direct testimony?

16 Without objection, show it done. We'll deal
17 with it at the appropriate time, but there's no
18 objections. You may proceed.

19 MR. YOUNG: Mr. Chairman, staff would note
20 that FPL and PEF have filed a Joint Petition for Rule
21 Variance of Rule 25-6.0423, subsection (5)(c)4, of the
22 Florida Administrative Code. The joint petition will be
23 addressed by a separate recommendation that will be
24 taken up at the October 6th agenda conference,
25 Commission agenda conference.

1 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Okay.

2 MR. YOUNG: And just for the record, none of
3 the parties object to the variance.

4 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Okay. Without objection of
5 any of the parties, show it done. You may proceed.

6 MR. YOUNG: Mr. Chairman, all opening
7 statements, testimonies, and exhibits pertaining to
8 FPL's petition shall be taken up first, followed
9 immediately by all opening statements, testimony, and
10 exhibits pertaining to Progress Energy's petition.

11 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Okay. Let's proceed then
12 with -- are there proposed stipulations?

13 MR. YOUNG: Yes, sir.

14 CHAIRMAN CARTER: We're dealing with -- we're
15 going to deal with -- what's our order? FPL first and
16 then Progress? Is that the order?

17 MR. YOUNG: Well, the first proposed
18 stipulation includes all the parties.

19 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Okay. Well, let's deal with
20 that.

21 MR. YOUNG: That's a legal and policy issue.

22 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Okay. You're recognized.

23 MR. YOUNG: Mr. Chairman, staff recommends
24 approval of the stipulations identified in Section 10 of
25 the Prehearing Order and outlined in a separate document

1 that I handed out to you entitled "Proposed Category 2
2 Stipulations." Mr. Chairman, just for the record, the
3 Proposed Category 2 Stipulations are stipulations among
4 FPL, PEF, and staff, between FPL and staff or PEF and
5 staff. All the other parties have taken no position on
6 these stipulations.

7 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Is that the agreement of the
8 parties?

9 Okay. Without objection -- Commissioner
10 Edgar, you're recognized.

11 COMMISSIONER EDGAR: Mr. Chairman, then I
12 would make a motion per our discussion that our staff
13 has just explained to us that we approve the
14 stipulations identified in Section 10 of the Prehearing
15 Order and in the document entitled "Proposed Category 2
16 Stipulated Issues."

17 COMMISSIONER SKOP: Second.

18 CHAIRMAN CARTER: It has been moved and
19 properly seconded. Commissioners, any questions, any
20 concerns, any debate?

21 Hearing none, all in favor let it be known by
22 the sign of "aye."

23 (Simultaneous affirmative responses.)

24 CHAIRMAN CARTER: All those opposed, like
25 sign. Show it done.

1 Staff, are there any additional preliminary
2 matters?

3 MR. YOUNG: Yes, sir. It's my understanding
4 that Progress Energy Florida will request that Exhibit
5 SH-1 of Steve Huntington, which was filed with the March
6 2, 2009 testimony, which was adopted by Jon Franke, be
7 moved into the record. The description is "Summary of
8 Major Modifications of the CR3 Uprate Project." And I
9 think Ms. Triplett wants to speak on that.

10 CHAIRMAN CARTER: You're recognized.

11 MS. TRIPLETT: Thank you, Chairman. I just
12 wanted to say that we inadvertently neglected to include
13 it in the Prehearing Statement, and we would just ask --
14 it was a prefiled direct testimony exhibit, so perhaps
15 we can just take up with the next number on the
16 Comprehensive Exhibit List.

17 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Let's see. Is there --

18 MR. YOUNG: And that will be Number 130.

19 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Any objection from the
20 parties? Okay. Hang on one second. It will be Exhibit
21 Number 130.

22 MR. YOUNG: Yes, sir.

23 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Short title?

24 MR. YOUNG: "Summary of the Major
25 Modifications of the CR3 Uprate Project."

1 CHAIRMAN CARTER: How about "CR3 Uprate
2 Project Modifications"?

3 MR. YOUNG: That's fine.

4 MS. TRIPLETT: That's fine.

5 CHAIRMAN CARTER: We're going with a shorter
6 version here. So we're basically marking it for
7 identification so it will be included, and at the
8 appropriate time with the appropriate witness, we'll
9 move it into the record as evidence. Okay?

10 MS. TRIPLETT: Yes, sir. Thank you.

11 (Exhibit Number 130 was marked for
12 identification.)

13 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Okay. Let me get my notes
14 here together. Give me one second.

15 Okay. Staff, any further preliminary matters?

16 MR. YOUNG: No, sir. We can move to opening
17 statements.

18 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Now, as we proceed now with
19 the opening statements, first it will be FPL. Now, the
20 parties know that they have -- I think it's five minutes
21 per party; is that correct? Is everybody clear on that?

22 All of you guys have been before the
23 Commission before, so you're familiar with the concept
24 of the lights. Green is good. Amber, you have two
25 minutes left. When the red light comes on, you have 30

1 seconds. Okay?

2 Mr. Anderson, you're recognized.

3 MR. MOYLE: Mr. Chairman, just one --

4 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Wait a minute. Mr. Moyle.

5 MR. MOYLE: One more brief preliminary matter.

6 CHAIRMAN CARTER: You're recognized.

7 MR. MOYLE: Just as a courtesy. There is a
8 lot happening these days in terms of other cases, and
9 FIPUG is going to do its best to be here, but may have
10 periods of time where it's not here and would ask to be
11 excused.

12 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Not a problem, Mr. Moyle.

13 MR. MOYLE: Thank you.

14 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Not a problem at all.

15 MR. YOUNG: Mr. Chairman?

16 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Yes, sir.

17 MR. YOUNG: Just for the record, we're taking
18 -- as stated, we're taking all of FPL's case first,
19 followed by Progress, so the opening statements will be
20 FPL, then the intervenors. After FPL's case is
21 completely through, we'll move to Progress's opening
22 statements and then all the intervenors.

23 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Does that help? Mr. Moyle,
24 Mr. Jacobs, does that help everyone to kind of plan for
25 that? We'll do FPL's case in chief to completion, and

1 then we'll come back for Progress. That may help with
2 scheduling and things of that nature.

3 Okay. Any other preliminary matters from any
4 of the parties?

5 Mr. Anderson, good morning. You're
6 recognized.

7 MR. ANDERSON: Good morning, Chairman Carter
8 and Commissioners. We're here today to consider FPL's
9 2009 nuclear cost recovery request.

10 Florida's nuclear cost recovery statute and
11 the Commission's rules are intended to encourage
12 development of additional nuclear generation to serve
13 the needs of Florida's residents. The Commission
14 previously entered need determination orders for FPL's
15 Turkey Point 6 and 7 new nuclear plant project and the
16 expansion or uprate of the capacity of FPL's existing
17 nuclear plants. These Commission actions support FPL's
18 work to provide additional cost-effective, zero
19 greenhouse gas emission, fuel diverse electricity for
20 FPL's customers.

21 Under the cost recovery statute and rules, FPL
22 recovers preconstruction costs for the Turkey Point 6
23 and 7 project. In contrast, for the uprate projects,
24 FPL mainly recovers carrying costs on the amounts
25 incurred for construction of the uprates. The bottom

1 line bill impact of FPL's requested nuclear cost
2 recovery charge for 2010 is 67 cents per month for the
3 typical 1,000 kilowatt-hour residential bill.

4 Many issues have been stipulated, so my
5 comments will focus on the remaining disputed issues,
6 first as to Turkey Point 6 and 7.

7 During 2008, FPL entered into contracts with
8 engineering and consulting firms to perform work to move
9 along the licensing and permitting process for Turkey
10 Point 6 and 7. This is part of FPL's carefully
11 considered strategy to maintain progress on licensing
12 while encouraging competition for future plant
13 construction work.

14 OPC's witness Jacobs, in contrast, claims that
15 FPL's strategy, quote, separated the construction
16 function from engineering and procurement and prevents
17 FPL from entering into an engineering, procurement and
18 construction, EPC, contract in the future. OPC's
19 position is mistaken. FPL has not separated the
20 construction function from engineering and procurement.
21 FPL has not entered into a separate engineering and
22 procurement contract.

23 Accordingly, our management actions to
24 maintain progress at a reasonable cost, to create
25 options and foster competition for future work, all

1 without committing to large EPC contract expenses at
2 this stage of the project were prudent and reasonable,
3 and OPC's claim should be rejected.

4 Turning to the uprate project, FPL's 2008 work
5 focused on performing the nuclear engineering and design
6 work required for the uprates. We also competitively
7 bid and procured major equipment for the uprates.

8 FPL is committed to ensuring that only the
9 costs necessary for the uprates are included in nuclear
10 cost recovery clause computations. We provide this
11 assurance through a number of measures which our
12 witnesses talk about. These include comparing the
13 uprate project scope to our license renewal commitments
14 for the plants to ensure that there is no duplication.
15 We compare the uprate project scope with our detailed
16 seven-year, forward-looking plan for nuclear plant
17 capex, capital expenditure. This plan is consistent
18 with the industry standards, industry best practices,
19 and FPL's license renewal commitments.

20 These and other measures we describe provide
21 assurance that our NCRC computations only include the
22 costs of the uprate project, not any other nuclear plant
23 components or work. Accordingly, OPC's claim that FPL
24 should do a speculative 20-year study instead of relying
25 upon FPL's reliable engineering information gathered

1 consistent with the industry best practices should be
2 rejected.

3 Turning to feasibility, FPL filed a detailed
4 feasibility analysis using the same rigorous analytical
5 process well known from last year's nuclear cost
6 recovery proceeding and from the uprate and Turkey Point
7 6 and 7 need determination cases. This year's
8 feasibility analysis shows that the uprate project and
9 the Turkey Point 6 and 7 project are both solidly
10 cost-effective for FPL's customers.

11 The Southern Alliance for Clean Energy, SACE,
12 in contrast provides no such analysis at all. Its
13 claims challenging FPL's Turkey Point 6 and 7
14 feasibility analysis should be rejected.

15 There's a contested legal issue I want to
16 highlight for a moment about how to compute carrying
17 costs for the NCRC. FPL's position, which we'll brief,
18 is legally correct and would result in FPL's customers
19 paying the actual financing costs for the nuclear
20 projects, no more, no less. Other parties' positions do
21 not provide for this accurate recovery of costs, but
22 instead pose a risk of windfalls occurring either for or
23 against customers, depending on the future financial
24 conditions over which no one has control. FPL asks that
25 the Commission adopt FPL's position on the carrying cost

1 computation issue, which is Issue 3 in your Prehearing
2 Order.

3 In conclusion, FPL asks that the Commission
4 enter prudence and reasonableness findings and approve
5 the company's NCRC amounts as shown in FPL's positions
6 in the Prehearing Order. This will result in an
7 estimated .67 per month nuclear cost recovery charge for
8 the typical 1,000 kilowatt-hour residential customer
9 during 2010.

10 Thank you.

11 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Mr. McGlothlin.

12 MR. MCGLOTHLIN: Good morning. I will address
13 you with respect to the FPL case. When you reach the
14 Progress Energy portion of the case, Mr. Rehwinkel will
15 present our opening statement.

16 Counsel for FP&L said that in this case, the
17 role of the Commission is to support the utility's
18 efforts toward their nuclear projects. I would add that
19 their role is also to scrutinize those efforts in
20 protection of the customers.

21 With respect to FP&L, we're going to offer the
22 testimony of Dr. William Jacobs, and with respect to
23 FP&L, Dr. Jacobs' testimony consists of only 12 pages.
24 And again, with respect to FP&L, OPC is not asking for
25 specific disallowances as a result of this hearing. But

1 within those 12 pages, Dr. Jacobs raises three
2 significant issues that we ask the Commission to
3 consider as the case goes forward.

4 First is the failure of FP&L to perform the
5 analysis needed to demonstrate that all costs associated
6 with the uprate project qualify for this extraordinary
7 ratemaking remedy under the nuclear cost recovery
8 proceeding. The second is FPL's failure thus far to
9 perform the annual long-term feasibility analysis that
10 is required by the Commission's rule. And the third is
11 in the area of contractual organization and risk
12 management, and that is to apprise FPL that the
13 Commission is aware that any decision to depart from a
14 combination of all the functions of engineering,
15 procurement and construction give rise to the risk of
16 unreasonable costs, and the Commission will hold the
17 company accountable for any unreasonable costs.

18 First with respect to the uprate project and
19 the criteria for the inclusion of costs in the clause,
20 last year Dr. Jacobs told the Commission that in his
21 opinion, the test that is necessary to qualify uprate
22 costs is this: Look at the long-term needs of the
23 existing nuclear project over a horizon of 20 years and
24 determine whether any additions are necessary for the
25 continued reliable operation of the nuclear unit over

1 that time period. If there are, that means that those
2 costs are ordinary O&M costs and don't qualify for the
3 cost recovery clause.

4 FP&L has resisted the idea that this is a
5 necessary component of its case. In its testimony
6 today, it will claim that in its own approach, it has
7 used the separate and apart test. But you'll see when
8 you hear the evidence that FPL's contention is that the
9 engineering analyses conducted for the purpose of
10 identifying what is necessary for the uprate project
11 also satisfy the separate and apart test, and that's
12 simply not the case. It's more in the form of jumping
13 to a conclusion that's unsupported.

14 With respect to the feasibility test, FPL
15 updated those components that have to do with
16 projections of demand and other alternative situations.
17 It did not update its forecast of the capital costs
18 associated with the nuclear unit itself. For that
19 reason, we contend that it has not satisfied the
20 analysis required by your own rule.

21 They contend that the 2007 forecast or
22 projection of capital costs is sufficient for that
23 purpose, and they say in support of that that this 2000
24 projection is still valid. But how can they say that
25 the 2000 forecast is still valid if they haven't done

1 the update? Again, it's a leap to a conclusion and does
2 not satisfy the requirements of the rule.

3 Finally, with respect to risk management,
4 Dr. Jacobs will testify that because of the possibility
5 of quarrels over scope and other considerations, the
6 best way to manage risks and reduce costs is to approach
7 contracting from the standpoint of having a single EPC
8 contract. FP&L contends in its testimony that it has
9 not foreclosed that possibility. And if that's the
10 case, well and good. But in the event that FPL pursues
11 an alternative contractual arrangement, and in the event
12 that the alternative results in increased costs, we ask
13 the Commission to go on record as saying it will be
14 scrutinizing that approach so that the company cannot
15 later claim hindsight regulation.

16 Thank you.

17 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Thank you.

18 You're recognized, Southern Alliance.

19 MR. DAVIS: Good morning. Yes. Chairman
20 Carter and members of the Commission, Southern Alliance
21 for Clean Energy intervened in this case to assist the
22 Commission in its exercise of supervision over the
23 expenditures for two massive nuclear projects that will
24 add even more rate increases for Florida ratepayers.

25 The Commission's rules require that a utility

1 seeking cost recovery for nuclear project costs submit
2 for Commission review and approval a detailed analysis
3 of the long-term feasibility of completing the power
4 plant. SACE is going to focus on the feasibility
5 analysis in this matter. SACE believes that this is not
6 a hollow requirement, nor is it simply a means to force
7 the utilities to engage in long-range planning for their
8 own good. The utilities do that anyway.

9 With the cost recovery, when utilities bet the
10 farm on an \$18 billion project, the ratepayers suffer if
11 the bet goes bad. And for Florida Power & Light's
12 Turkey Point 6 and 7, that bet is looking worse every
13 day.

14 SACE will present two knowledgeable experts,
15 Dr. Mark Cooper and Mr. Arnie Gundersen, who have
16 reviewed FP&L's feasibility analysis, and they will
17 point out the dramatically changed circumstances in the
18 time since the need determination for Units 6 and 7 that
19 thoroughly undermine the long-term feasibility of
20 completing the power plant at this time. And I want to
21 focus on "at this time." We're not saying never. We're
22 saying at this time, long-term feasibility does not
23 exist.

24 These dramatically changed circumstances
25 include declining electricity demand, falling natural

1 gas prices, licensing delays with the Nuclear Regulatory
2 Commission, the emergence of a renewable portfolio
3 standard in federal legislation, as well as aggressive
4 building and appliance efficiency standards in that
5 legislation, rising costs of nuclear construction,
6 tightened financial markets, and growing concerns on
7 Wall Street about new nuclear reactors. Any one of
8 these factors might be enough to render a new nuclear
9 plant too risky, but together they are overwhelming at
10 this point.

11 Florida Power & Light at least acknowledges
12 that the feasibility analysis is a important tool and
13 that economic feasibility is an important part of that
14 tool. I think that's a step in the right direction, but
15 its economic analysis is not a real analysis and should
16 not approved by the Commission.

17 FPL has not adjusted the costs of the project
18 since 2007, as was mentioned by my colleague, and it is
19 still relying on natural gas and CO₂ costs that are far
20 higher than where current projections are pointing.
21 You'll hear that natural gas costs have plummeted to the
22 point where they're below \$3 a million Btu.

23 FPL also acknowledges many of the factors that
24 SACE has discussed in its prefiled testimony, but it's
25 still clinging to an unrealistic schedule to complete

1 the Turkey Point units with no float left in the
2 schedule. Further slippage in the schedule is not
3 accepted as a possibility, and the costs of likely
4 further slippage are not part of the equation in their
5 analysis.

6 FPL's response to having these problems
7 pointed out is to present a false picture of the
8 testimony of SACE's experts and to present a false
9 choice to the Commission.

10 SACE is not suggesting that FPL and the
11 Commission stop evaluating the nuclear option. That is
12 not what we're advocating. But we are recommending,
13 instead of stopping continued evaluation, stop further
14 development at this point. It is clear that the
15 expensive engineering and licensing activities FPL is
16 undertaking in 2009 and 2010 are not evaluation. They
17 are development.

18 In the end, the Commission's review of the
19 long-term feasibility of Turkey Point 6 and 7 should be
20 based on the recognition that FPL would not be taking
21 the nuclear risk for Turkey Point 6 and 7 but for the
22 ability to charge the ratepayers along the way and that
23 it is difficult for any utility to back away from a
24 project that would more than double its rate base.

25 FPL in its direct testimony has talked about

1 the concept of off-ramps, halting or limiting project
2 expenditures for defined periods of time to manage cost
3 risks. We think that's a good concept for the
4 Commission to consider in this hearing. By denying
5 approval of FPL's feasibility analysis, the Commission
6 can turn on the directional signal and begin turning the
7 wheel toward the nearest off-ramp for Turkey Point 6 and
8 7.

9 Thank you.

10 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Mr. Moyle.

11 MR. MOYLE: Thank you. Thank you,
12 Mr. Chairman. FIPUG would like to make a few points for
13 you to consider as we engage in this hearing, to
14 consider the appropriatenesses of FP&L recovering moneys
15 related to their nuclear project.

16 First of all, Mr. Anderson said, "Well, it's
17 only 67 cents per month." I think it's important to
18 remember the context in which you're being asked to make
19 this decision, with unemployment in the state at an
20 all-time high and still being in the midst of a very
21 difficult economic time. So while 67 cents per month
22 may not sound like a lot, things add up over time,
23 particularly with families that are struggling to get by
24 in these economic times, so please keep that in mind.

25 And also, be mindful of the rule which is

1 governing these proceedings which relates to the nuclear
2 cost recovery, 25-6.0423. And there has been some
3 discussion about it, but I think it would be helpful if
4 I just read briefly into the record a provision that
5 you're going to hear a lot about, which is the long-term
6 feasibility of completing the power plant.

7 Public Counsel said, "Well, FPL submitted some
8 stale information about the capital costs." You're
9 being asked to interpret your rule, and the provision
10 that we think is pertinent is paragraph 5. It's
11 (5)(c)5. It says, "By May 1 of each year, along with
12 the filings required by this paragraph, a utility shall
13 submit for Commission review and approval a detailed
14 analysis of the long-term feasibility of completing the
15 power plant." I think the modifier before "analysis" is
16 important, a detailed analysis. It can't be a broad
17 brush. I don't think it can be dated information. I
18 think that you all when enacting this rule said, "We
19 want to have a good look at the long-term feasibility.
20 Bring us that information." And we would respectfully
21 suggest that that has not been provided to you.

22 You're going to hear some discussion about an
23 EPC contract, engineering, procurement and construction,
24 and typically -- it's called an EPC contract because all
25 these things are together. Now, FPL is proposing to

1 drop the C from it, and that presents some concerns.
2 And I'll use kind of an analogy of building a house.
3 Usually you have a general contractor that you'll hire,
4 and he'll be responsible for getting all of the
5 subcontractors up, and if you have a problem, you go
6 straight to the general contractor. By dropping the C
7 and only doing the engineering and procurement, with
8 possibly leaving the construction to another entity, we
9 think you're inviting lots of finger pointing as you go
10 forward, with the contractor saying, "Well, that wasn't
11 within my scope." And it has not been done that way
12 previously, I don't believe, in any nuclear power plant.

13 FPL will argue, "Well, we're trying to foster
14 competition in this industry," but I think the evidence
15 will show that there is competition. The engineer that
16 FPL has contracted with has familiarity with a General
17 Electric nuclear turbine, but not the Westinghouse
18 turbine that they've selected for their technology. So
19 it's kind of like, you know, in some respects hiring a
20 mechanic who works on Mazdas to come work on your Ford.
21 He doesn't have that familiarity with the technology.
22 But we'll explore that in greater detail.

23 And the final point that I wanted to raise is
24 a policy issue. You heard counsel suggest that these
25 projects are "bet your farm" endeavors. And I think

1 there will be some indication that some of the rating
2 agencies have said these are big projects, terms like
3 bet the farm, bet the company. There's a lot of risk
4 associated with them.

5 And for two Florida utilities to be engaging
6 in these huge projects at the same time, we think it
7 makes some sense for there to be some examination of
8 strategic partnerships. Indeed, the rating agencies
9 have said to companies, "Explore strategic
10 partnerships," and we do not think that that has been
11 explored enough. Florida is in a situation where the
12 demand is coming down, and a strategic partnership
13 should be explored.

14 Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

15 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Thank you. I think we've
16 covered the intervenors for this portion for FPL; is
17 that correct?

18 Now, all of the witnesses that will be
19 testifying in the FPL case, would you please stand?

20 Can you all see these three lights here in
21 front of me? I want to explain the lights before I
22 swear you in as a group. The green light means --
23 obviously, green is always good. You'll have five
24 minutes for your summary. The yellow -- the amber light
25 means you've got two minutes left. The red light means

1 you've got 30 second left. Okay. Everybody saw that?

2 Okay. Would you please raise your right hand?

3 (Witnesses collectively sworn.)

4 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Thank you. Please be
5 seated. You may call your first witness.

6 MR. YOUNG: Mr. Chairman, before we move --

7 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Mr. Young.

8 MR. YOUNG: Before we move to the first
9 witness, staff would note that, as stated in the
10 preliminary matters, staff will ask that the
11 stipulated --

12 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Okay. One second. That's
13 right. We need to get back to the -- okay. Let's deal
14 with that. Bring us up to date on those that we agreed
15 to enter. One would be the Comprehensive Exhibit List;
16 is that correct?

17 MR. YOUNG: Yes, sir. That will be Exhibit
18 Number 1. That will be identified as Exhibit Number 1.

19 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Are there any objections?
20 Without objection, show it done.

21 (Exhibit Number 1 was admitted into the
22 record.)

23 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Staff, you're recognized.

24 MR. YOUNG: Then staff's Composite Exhibit
25 Lists that are marked 2 and 3 -- again, for ease of

1 reference, that's the green and yellow pages, green and
2 yellow sheets.

3 CHAIRMAN CARTER: The green and yellow sheets.
4 Which one is 2 and which one is -- okay. I guess 3 is
5 the yellow and 2 is the green?

6 MR. YOUNG: Yes, sir. It's marked.

7 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Are there any objections?
8 Without objection, show it done.

9 (Exhibits Number 2 and 3 were admitted into
10 the record.)

11 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Staff.

12 MR. YOUNG: Mr. Chairman, as you mentioned,
13 witness summaries shall not exceed five minutes per
14 witness for each petition. Several witnesses will be
15 taken up as a panel, and the summary for these witnesses
16 will be five minutes total.

17 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Okay.

18 MR. YOUNG: And that's more so in the Progress
19 Energy docket.

20 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Not in this docket here.

21 MR. YOUNG: Not in this docket that I'm aware
22 of.

23 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Any further preliminary
24 matters before we go into opening statements from either
25 the parties or staff? Let me look to the parties first.

1 Any preliminary matters?

2 Staff, any further preliminary matters?

3 MR. YOUNG: No, sir.

4 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Ms. Helton, did you enter an
5 appearance?

6 MS. HELTON: Yes, sir, I did.

7 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Okay. Good morning.

8 MS. HELTON: Good morning.

9 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Mr. Anderson, call your
10 first witness.

11 MR. ANDERSON: Thank you. FPL calls Steven D.
12 Scroggs.

13 Thereupon,

14 STEVEN D. SCROGGS

15 was called as a witness on behalf of Florida Power &
16 Light Company and, having been first duly sworn, was
17 examined and testified as follows:

18 DIRECT EXAMINATION

19 BY MR. ANDERSON:

20 Q. Good morning, Mr. Scroggs. Can you hear me
21 okay?

22 A. Good morning. Yes, I can.

23 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Give us a check there,
24 Mr. Scroggs. Just say your name for the record.

25 THE WITNESS: Steve Scroggs.

1 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Okay. Much better.

2 Mr. Anderson.

3 BY MR. ANDERSON:

4 Q. Would you tell us your name and business
5 address?

6 A. Yes, sir. My name is Steven D. Scroggs. I am
7 employed by Florida Power & Light. My business address
8 is 700 Universe Boulevard in Juno Beach, Florida.

9 Q. In what capacity are you employed by FPL?

10 A. I'm the Senior Director of Project Development
11 in charge of the Turkey Point 6 and 7 project.

12 Q. Did you prepare and cause to be filed 49 pages
13 of prefiled direct testimony in this proceeding on
14 March 3, 2009?

15 A. Yes, I have.

16 Q. Did you also prepare and also cause to be
17 filed 37 pages of prefiled direct testimony on May 1,
18 2009?

19 A. Yes, I have.

20 Q. Did you submit some errata in connection with
21 your testimony?

22 A. Yes, I have.

23 Q. Do you have any further changes or revisions
24 to your prefiled direct testimony?

25 A. No, I do not.

1 Q. If I asked you the same questions contained in
2 the prefiled direct testimony, would your answers be the
3 same?

4 A. Yes.

5 MR. ANDERSON: FPL asks that the prefiled
6 direct testimony be inserted into the record as though
7 read.

8 CHAIRMAN CARTER: The prefiled testimony of
9 the witness will be inserted into the record as though
10 read.

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1 **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

2 **FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY**

3 **DIRECT TESTIMONY OF STEVEN D. SCROGGS**

4 **DOCKET NO. 090009-E1**

5 **MARCH 2, 2009**

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7 **Q. Please state your name and business address.**

8 A. My name is Steven D. Scroggs and my business address is 700 Universe
9 Boulevard, Juno Beach, FL 33408.

10 **Q. By whom are you employed and what is your position?**

11 A. I am employed by Florida Power & Light Company (FPL) as Senior Director,
12 Project Development. In this position I have responsibility for the
13 development of power generation projects.

14 **Q. Please describe your duties and responsibilities with regard to the
15 development of new nuclear generation to meet FPL customer needs.**

16 A. Commencing in the summer of 2006, I was assigned the responsibility for
17 leading the investigation into the potential of adding new nuclear generation
18 to FPL's system, and the subsequent development of new nuclear generation
19 additions to FPL's power generation fleet. I currently lead the development of
20 FPL's Turkey Point Nuclear Units 6 and 7 (Turkey Point 6 & 7).

21 **Q. Please describe your educational background and professional
22 experience.**

1 A. I graduated from the University of Missouri – Columbia in 1984 with a
2 Bachelor of Science Degree in Mechanical Engineering. From 1984 until
3 1994, I served in the United States Navy as a Nuclear Submarine Officer.
4 From 1994 to 1996, I was a research associate at The Pennsylvania State
5 University, where I earned a Masters Degree in Mechanical Engineering. I
6 provided consulting and management services to the regulated and
7 unregulated power generation industry through a number of positions until
8 2003, when I joined FPL as Manager, Resource Assessment and Planning.

9 **Q. Are you sponsoring any exhibits in this proceeding?**

10 A. Yes, I am sponsoring the following exhibits:

- 11 • SDS-1, which consists of Appendix II containing schedules T-1 through
12 T-10 covering 2007 and 2008 actual periods for Turkey Point 6 & 7 Pre-
13 Construction costs. Page 2 of Appendix II contains a table of contents
14 listing the T schedules sponsored by FPL Witness Powers and by me,
15 respectively.
- 16 • SDS-2, which consists of Appendix III containing schedules T-1 through
17 T-10 covering 2006, 2007 and 2008 actual periods for Turkey Point 6 & 7
18 Site Selection Costs. Page 2 of Appendix III contains a table of contents
19 listing the T schedules sponsored by FPL Witness Powers and by me,
20 respectively.
- 21 • SDS-3, which consists of a table providing a listing of all licenses, permits
22 and approvals FPL is preparing to support the Turkey Point 6 & 7 project.

- 1 • SDS-4, which consists of a comprehensive list of procedures and work
2 instructions that governs the internal controls processes and expectations.
- 3 • SDS-5, which provides a list describing various project reports, their
4 periodicity and target audience.
- 5 • SDS-6, which provides a comprehensive list of project instructions and
6 forms.
- 7 • SDS-7, which is the Site Selection Study for the Turkey Point 6 & 7
8 project.
- 9 • SDS-8, which is FPL's detailed engineering evaluation of potential
10 nuclear technology designs.
- 11 • SDS-9, which is the report from MPR Associates reviewing FPL's
12 engineering evaluation process.

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

14 **A.** The purpose of my testimony is to describe the activities involved in the
15 Turkey Point 6 & 7 project from its inception to the end of 2008. Specifically,
16 my testimony will describe the deliberate stepwise process FPL is employing
17 to create an option to provide new nuclear generation for our customers and
18 how that process is being managed and controlled to ensure prudent
19 expenditures and the best outcome. I will include a discussion of project
20 internal controls and how those controls, supported by internal and external
21 oversight, provide for diligent and professional project execution. I will
22 discuss key issues the project has faced through December 2008 and how
23 those issues were evaluated and appropriate actions determined. Further, my

1 testimony will discuss the actual expenditures made related to the project and
2 compare those expenditures to the estimated values provided in 2008.
3 Collectively, my testimony will provide the information necessary to
4 demonstrate that FPL's management decisions with respect to the Turkey
5 Point 6 & 7 project are the product of properly qualified, well-informed FPL
6 management following appropriate procedures and internal controls, and the
7 costs incurred for the project are reasonable and prudently incurred.

8 **Q. Please summarize your testimony.**

9 A. My testimony will provide an overview of the project, from inception to
10 December 2008, including the project management and internal controls
11 infrastructure that has been developed to provide necessary oversight and
12 monitoring of the project execution. I will describe key decisions that have
13 faced the project in this time period, and the rationale behind the actions
14 taken. I will then walk through all project costs incurred to December 2008,
15 as presented in the Nuclear Filing Requirement (NFR) schedules. The
16 information will demonstrate that the Turkey Point 6 & 7 project is
17 progressing on schedule and within budget. Further, it will be clear that the
18 project management process is being conducted in a well-informed,
19 transparent and organized manner which enables executive oversight and
20 facilitates reviews by internal and external parties. This disciplined
21 application of process by well-qualified FPL managers results in prudent
22 decisions with respect to project activities and expenditures.

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HIGH LEVEL PROJECT SUMMARY (2006 – 2008)

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Q. Please summarize the Turkey Point 6 & 7 project from inception to the end of 2008.

A. The Turkey Point 6 & 7 project has been underway since mid-2006 when FPL completed initial investigations into the feasibility of new nuclear generation. These initial investigations determined that, in order to more fully define the opportunity, a project team should be formed.

Activities in 2006 focused on identifying candidate sites, conducting due diligence on the various reactor designs available and developing a high level project budget and schedule of milestones. Activities in 2007 focused on completing site selection, investigating issues related to specific candidate designs, obtaining local zoning approvals and preparing a Need Petition. Site Selection activities ended and Pre-Construction activities began, on October 16, 2007 at the time of the submission of the Need Petition. On December 20, 2007, FPL obtained many of the necessary zoning approvals for Turkey Point 6 & 7 from the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners. Conditions of certification were included and will be accomplished as the project moves forward.

Activities in 2008 have been dedicated to selecting a candidate design, identifying the key procurement activities required, and developing the

1 applications for licenses, permits and approvals needed for construction and
2 operation of the project. Exhibit SDS-3 provides a listing of these items. On
3 April 11, 2008, the Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC) issued Order
4 No. PSC-08-0237-FOF-EI granting its petition for a determination of need
5 from the FPSC. Additionally, the FSPC issued Cost Recovery Order No.
6 PSC-08-0749-FOF-EI from the FPSC on November 12, 2008. During 2008
7 several key decisions were made regarding how FPL would pursue the
8 commercial aspects of the project. These decisions will be discussed in
9 greater detail later in my testimony. These key decisions provide good
10 examples of the project team's management approach, the types of decisions
11 made and how these decisions help to manage the risk profile of the project.

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13 To date, the project has proceeded in a deliberate step-wise manner and has
14 maintained costs under the projected budget. FPL has selected a site, a
15 technology design and obtained all requested approvals at the state and local
16 levels. The bulk of project activities and expenditures (71%) have been spent
17 on the development of the detailed studies and analyses required to facilitate
18 federal, state and local reviews of the proposed project and, if appropriate,
19 grant the needed permits, approvals and authorizations for construction and
20 operation. Additional expenditures have allowed the project to undertake the
21 initial engineering and commercial steps in the development of an execution
22 plan for plant deployment.

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1 The project is staffed by a combination of employees fully dedicated to the
2 project, matrixed employees from FPL business units who devote a portion of
3 their time to the project and a select group of contractors and subcontractors
4 whose subject matter expertise and skills are required to complete the
5 considerable tasks related to this undertaking. Leading the staff is a project
6 management team charged with monitoring the day-to-day execution and
7 strategic direction of the project. The project management team provides
8 routine, dedicated oversight of the project including a determination of the
9 timing and appropriateness of external reviews. The project management
10 team is supported by project controls professionals that execute the day-to-day
11 project activities and provide direct oversight of procedural compliance. The
12 project also benefits from routine review, supervision and direction provided
13 by FPL executive management.

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15 **PROJECT MANAGEMENT INTERNAL CONTROLS**

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17 **Q. Please describe the project management structure responsible for the**
18 **Turkey Point 6 & 7 project.**

19 **A.** The management structure for Turkey Point 6 & 7 reflects the dual nature of
20 the project relying on a working combination of two key groups: Project
21 Development and New Nuclear Projects. The organization of the project into
22 these two key groups helps maintain a consistent management and reporting
23 structure with specific focus and areas of responsibility, while allowing the

1 project the flexibility to grow and adapt over time. The overall project
2 management structure has remained unchanged since initial formation.

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4 Project Development, which I lead, has the primary responsibility for the
5 execution of development and licensing activities that are not within the
6 purview of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) as well as all project
7 communication activities and FPSC interface. Similar to the way other
8 generation development projects are executed within FPL, Project
9 Development utilizes matrix relationships with key business units in the
10 Company to provide essential support. For example, legal and environmental
11 services are provided by those business units through assigned personnel.

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13 Recognizing the need for specific nuclear-based skills and experience, FPL
14 established the New Nuclear Project team within Engineering & Corporate
15 Services Division (E&CD) to manage the complex and specialized nature of
16 the Combined Operating License Application (COLA) process and the
17 engineering, procurement and construction activities. This team is managed
18 by Martin Gettler, Vice President of New Nuclear Projects. The New Nuclear
19 Project team has direct responsibility for the production and management of
20 the COLA as well as the engineering, procurement, site preparation,
21 construction and start-up aspects of the project. The New Nuclear Project
22 team will grow as the project evolves, adding or obtaining access to the
23 necessary skill sets to accomplish project objectives.

1 **Q. What are the key elements of the project management process used to**
2 **manage the Turkey Point 6 & 7 project?**

3 A. FPL routinely and methodically evaluates the risks, costs, and issues
4 associated with the Turkey Point 6 & 7 project using a system of internal
5 controls, routine project meetings and communication tools, management
6 reports and reviews, internal and external audits and an annual feasibility
7 analysis.

8 **Q. Please describe the system of internal controls applicable to the project.**

9 A. The project internal controls are comprised of various financial systems,
10 department procedures, work/desktop instructions and best practices providing
11 governance and oversight of project cost and schedule processes.

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13 FPL utilizes SAP software as its ultimate financial reporting system and a
14 Financial Management Information Process (FMIP) for project report
15 generation. The E&CD also utilizes an Electronic Approval Database (EAD)
16 system to initiate and record the management approval process for the
17 commitment of project funds.

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19 Exhibit SDS-4 provides a comprehensive list of procedures and work
20 instructions that governs the internal controls processes and expectations.

21 These procedures and work instructions are employed by dedicated and
22 experienced project controls personnel who functionally report through
23 Business Services and provide project oversight and analysis. The internal

1 controls organization helps to ensure appropriate management decisions are
2 made based upon assessment of available information leading to reasonable
3 costs. Accountability is clear and understood throughout the controls
4 organization and is a cornerstone of the services they provide.

5 **Q. Please describe the specific reports generated to monitor the project and**
6 **the periodicity and audience for those reports.**

7 A. The project relies on a series of weekly or monthly reports and has standing
8 meetings to review forward looking analysis with project managers. Exhibit
9 SDS-5 provides a list describing the reports, and their periodicity and target
10 audience.

11 **Q. Please describe the staff responsible for administering these internal**
12 **controls and their specific responsibilities.**

13 A. The internal controls organization is comprised of five personnel. A Business
14 Manager provides functional leadership, governance and oversight. A Project
15 Controls Manager provides cost and schedule direction and analysis,
16 coordinates internal and external audit requests, holds meetings with project
17 management to review cost and schedule performance, and reviews all cost,
18 scope changes, schedules and performance indicators. Two Cost Analysts
19 provide bi-monthly reviews of all project expenditures, maintain cost
20 templates, support the production of documents and responses to information
21 requests, and meet monthly or as required with department heads on
22 forecasting and commitments. A Senior Scheduler manages the master

1 schedule, oversees contractor schedule status and updating, produces weekly
2 performance indicators and provides Critical Path Method analysis.

3 **Q. How were the internal controls developed?**

4 A. Many of the internal controls procedures, processes or work instructions were
5 pre-existing FPL company or department processes. However, due to the
6 unique characteristics of the Turkey Point 6 & 7 project, cost templates were
7 specifically developed for monitoring expenditures to support FPSC filing
8 requirements and to facilitate associated reviews. FPL has contractually
9 placed significant reporting requirements on subcontractors by requiring
10 trend, tracking and performance indicators. This allows the internal controls
11 team to monitor events and trends on a forward-looking basis. As the project
12 matures, additional controls will be developed as necessary.

13 **Q. What are Project Instructions and why are they needed?**

14 A. In the course of project development, FPL identified a need to develop some
15 business processes unique to new nuclear deployment. These processes
16 generally involve conducting business in compliance with FPL General
17 Operating procedures, but also recognize project-specific requirements. For
18 example, specific instructions are needed to ensure compliance with additional
19 NRC requirements for quality control and document retention. Direction for
20 such specific areas of focus is provided to project staff through a set of FPL's
21 New Nuclear Project - Project Instructions (NNP-PI). These project
22 instructions establish a standard for the project team which provides guidance,

1 sets expectations and drives consistency. Exhibit SDS-6 provides FPL's
2 comprehensive list of project instructions and forms list.

3 **Q. What processes and communication tools are used to manage project**
4 **risk?**

5 Cost and schedule risk is managed by ensuring the project team has visibility
6 and understanding of the issues facing different sub-teams that comprise the
7 overall project. A mix of weekly meetings with small teams, monthly
8 meetings with select members of the project team and routine executive
9 briefings ensure the project benefits from sufficient and timely
10 communication. Further, the information flow begins at the working level and
11 is integrated as it moves to the project management team to ensure that the
12 issues are adequately captured and that the interaction with other portions of
13 the project is properly assessed. These meetings result in several reports
14 identified in Exhibit SDS-5. These routine meetings allow project
15 management to obtain updates from key project team members, provide
16 direction on the conduct of the project activities and maintain tight control
17 over project progress, expenditures and key decisions.

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19 Each week the project team holds multiple status meetings. These meetings,
20 held by teams within the project, track project activities at a level that allows
21 most issues to be identified, discussed and resolved at the working team level.
22 Examples include the COLA team, Site Certification Application (SCA) team
23 and Transmission Siting team, among others. For those issues that cannot be

1 resolved at the working team level, project management has provided a multi-
2 step process to elevate the issue to the appropriate level for resolution.
3 Contractor performance is also tracked on a weekly basis. Schedule and cost
4 metrics are monitored and reported in standard format reports to allow for
5 close monitoring of contractor performance.

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7 Monthly, the project holds four key meetings directed at higher level
8 management and decision making (Monthly Project Team Meeting, E&CD
9 Project Dashboard Review, New Nuclear Executive Update, PTN 6 & 7
10 Monthly Cost Report). The project team meets monthly to review project
11 schedule, budget performance and key project issues. Project risk is
12 specifically tracked and reviewed by the E&CD Project Dashboard process.
13 This is a structured vehicle for assessing project risk exposures and tracking
14 trends in a peer review process designed to bring project management
15 expertise throughout the E&CD organization to each specific project. The
16 monthly Cost Report meeting provides an opportunity to drill down on project
17 cost issues and expectations. Project management also provides a routine
18 update to FPL executive management. Normally once per month, this update
19 provides the opportunity for robust dialogue between the project management
20 team, Business Unit leaders and executive management. While the executive
21 team is always available for consultation on developing issues and
22 opportunities, the routine meetings ensure that a broad range of topics are
23 regularly reviewed and discussed.

1 **Q. What other periodic reviews are conducted to ensure that the project is**
2 **appropriately reviewed and analyzed?**

3 A. Periodically, the project is reviewed by the FPL Corporate Risk Committee,
4 consisting of members in various company leadership roles, to evaluate
5 project status and specific risk areas. This committee enables senior managers
6 to critically assess and discuss risks faced by the Turkey Point 6 & 7 project
7 from different departmental perspectives.

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9 Internal and external audits occur during the course of the project to ensure
10 the project adheres to all corporate guidelines for financial accounting as well
11 as employs best management and internal controls practices. When a
12 deficiency is identified in an audit, an analysis is conducted to determine the
13 cause of the deficiency and corrective actions are implemented to ensure the
14 deficiencies are mitigated going forward.

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16 Finally, the project is annually reviewed to determine its continued economic
17 feasibility. This analysis is conducted in the same framework as the analysis
18 justified by the project in the Need Determination proceeding, but is updated
19 to reflect what is currently known regarding project cost, project schedule, and
20 the cost and viability of alternative generation technologies. The analysis
21 conducted in 2008 and presented in the May 1, 2008 Nuclear Cost Recovery
22 (NCR) filing, demonstrated that the project remains feasible.

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1 **Q. What steps are taken to ensure that project expenditures are properly**
2 **authorized?**

3 A. All project expenditures must be formally input and approved in the E&CD
4 Electronic Approval Database (EAD). The EAD request serves as
5 documented communication between the Turkey Point 6 & 7 project and the
6 Integrated Supply Chain (ISC) identifying the need to contract for goods and
7 services. The database is used by the Turkey Point 6 & 7 project to document
8 and record procurement activities and to obtain the appropriate level of
9 management authorization.

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11 For Initial Commitments, an approved EAD request directs ISC to formally
12 contract with the selected supplier. Initial Commitments require appropriate
13 authorizations that include all documentation required by Corporate
14 Procedures. This would include contracts, purchase orders, notice to proceed
15 and, if required, a single or sole source justification. For Contract Change
16 Orders (CCO), the EAD request must be authorized at the appropriate level
17 and the CCO executed prior to releasing the supplier to perform the requested
18 scope of work.

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Q. What is FPL's preferred method of procurement and when might it be in the best interest of the project to use another method?

A. The preferred approach for the procurement of materials or services is to use competitive bidding. FPL maintains a strong market presence allowing it to leverage corporate-wide procurement activities to the specific benefit of individual project procurement activities. Maintaining a relationship with a range of service providers offers the opportunity to assess capabilities, respond to changing resource loads and remain knowledgeable of current market trends and cost of service.

However, the use of single or sole source procurement is in the best interest of the company in certain situations. In some cases there is a limited pool of qualified entities to perform specific services or provide certain goods and materials. In other cases a service provider is engaged to conduct a specific scope of work based on a competitive bid or other analysis and additional scope is identified that the vendor can efficiently provide. Circumstances such as the above examples are common in the nuclear industry, and especially on complex long-term projects such as the Turkey Point 6 & 7 project.

1 **Q. Do you anticipate that the use of single or sole source procurement**
2 **practices will change over the course of the project?**

3 A. Yes. As the project moves through various phases the proportion of single
4 source procurement will shift based on the nature of the major expenditures
5 associated with each phase. During the licensing phase, the majority of the
6 costs are expended on the federal licensing activities, which was
7 competitively bid. In contrast, the next phase of the project will involve
8 proprietary engineering and procurement activity that FPL must contract from
9 the equipment provider, a sole source of these goods and services. Then, as
10 the project moves to construction, FPL is taking steps to develop credible
11 providers who can competitively bid specific scopes of the construction work.
12 Developing a set of credible competitors, especially for the very large and
13 complex construction phase, requires a concerted effort, but is expected to
14 result in reduced costs regardless of which vendor is selected.

15 **Q. Please describe the single and sole source procurement procedures that**
16 **apply to the Turkey Point 6 & 7 project.**

17 A. General Operations (GO) Procedure 705.3 requires proper documentation and
18 senior-level approval of single or sole source procurement. The procedure
19 calls for a review of the business interests associated with recommending a
20 single or sole source procurement contract and a validation that the costs are
21 reasonable. During 2008, the process by which FPL documents compliance
22 with GO 705.3 was reviewed. Opportunities for improvement were identified
23 and documented. Training was conducted to ensure project staff had a

1 working understanding of the required documentation and analysis necessary
2 to support a sole or single source request.

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4 Additionally, it was determined that a specific classification of procurement
5 identified in the Procurement Process Manual, could be applied to CCO's
6 associated with the project. Previously, all CCO's were handled as single or
7 sole source justifications, even if the underlying initial commitment was
8 competitively bid. Over the course of many years, ISC has developed a more
9 efficient means of handling this inevitability by prescribing specific
10 documentation and analysis that can qualify certain vendors as Pre-
11 Determined Sources (PDS). As appropriate, specific vendors will be brought
12 under the PDS program through the normal course of business. Such
13 procurement management is an ordinary trade practice used to increase
14 procurement efficiency.

15 **Q. What is a Pre-Determined Source (PDS) and how does that help to ensure**
16 **that procurement decisions are prudent and costs are reasonable?**

17 A. A PDS is a source that has been demonstrated through a competitive
18 evaluation and/or other documented economic analysis to be the preferred
19 source for particular goods or services. Specific requirements in the
20 Procurement Process Manual do not apply in the case of PDS because they
21 have, in effect, been "pre-bid" or otherwise justified. A PDS is designated
22 only by the FPL ISC department following documentation review and
23 approval. The PDS process provides FPL the ability to efficiently manage

1 incremental work requests. For work beyond authorized limits, the full FPL
2 requisition and procurement process requirements must be met in order to
3 increase the limits as required by additional work scope being authorized. Other
4 work awarded to the same supplier for different scopes of work are still
5 subject to the full FPL procurement process requirements.

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7 A review of current new nuclear project contracts identified two vendors that
8 were considered for PDS status. Both Bechtel and Black & Veatch/Zachry
9 (BVZ) provide specific scope services to the project. Because of their specific
10 expertise and the evolving nature of the services provided, these vendors were
11 good candidates to be considered as PDSs. The analysis was conducted and it
12 was determined that both vendors would be approved as PDS providers to the
13 project for specific scope of supply.

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15 INTERNAL/EXTERNAL AUDITS AND REVIEWS

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17 **Q. What internal audits or reviews have been conducted to ensure that the**
18 **project controls are adequate and costs are reasonable?**

19 A. Several audits have been conducted to ensure FPL's standards for project
20 internal controls and cost reasonableness have been maintained. An FPL
21 internal audit focused on the project financials.

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23 Turkey Point 6 & 7 project personnel are made aware of process
24 improvements by attending mandatory training sessions as well as being

1 provided email memorandums. All action items are provided scheduled
2 completion dates and are tracked to ensure completion. On-going
3 recommendations are routinely reviewed.

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5 Team-level audits and reviews are another important means of validating that
6 the project is being conducted according to good policies and practices. Audit
7 reviews are used between key process steps to ensure the project is ready to
8 proceed to the next step. Examples of these reviews are the process reviews
9 held with work teams (FPL employees and vendor staff) and self-auditing
10 checklists generated for repetitive processes (travel, etc.). Such careful and
11 meticulous business practices help catch items before they become issues and
12 instill policy guidance in project staff.

13 **Q. What external audits or reviews have been conducted to ensure that the**
14 **project controls are adequate and costs are reasonable?**

15 A. In the spring of 2008, Concentric Energy Advisors was engaged to conduct a
16 review of the project internal controls, with a focus on management processes.
17 The review identified a strong project management and internal control
18 structure, and also identified opportunities for clarification and further focus.
19 The results of the review were discussed in the May 1, 2008 filing by FPL
20 Witness Reed.

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22 The FPSC Staff conducted two audits in 2008. These audits included a
23 financial audit of the project ledger and accounts, and an internal controls

1 audit. The results of the FPSC Staff audits conducted during the 2008 Nuclear
2 Cost Recovery process validated FPL's findings. Specifically, the FPSC
3 internal controls audit staff identified that the project processes "appear to
4 have been reasonable and in keeping with good business practices."

5 **Q. How would you summarize FPL's overall approach to project**
6 **management in relation to Turkey Point 6 & 7?**

7 A. As described above, FPL has robust project planning, management, and
8 execution processes in place to manage the Turkey Point 6 & 7 project. These
9 efforts are led by personnel with significant experience in project management
10 and development supported by project management professionals trained in
11 the deliberate execution of critical infrastructure projects through a
12 comprehensive set of internal controls. Additionally, FPL is able to capitalize
13 on the experience of its other power generation development projects by
14 implementing lessons learned by those project teams. Finally, FPL
15 implements an ongoing internal auditing and quality assurance process to
16 continuously monitor compliance with the controls discussed above. In
17 summary, FPL has the right people with the right tools and oversight making
18 decisions with the best available information. For all of these reasons, FPL is
19 confident that its Turkey Point 6 & 7 management decisions were well-
20 founded and reasonable. Further, FPL recognizes the unique nature of new
21 nuclear deployment which demands a continuous watch be maintained to
22 monitor developments in policy, regulatory and economic arenas. An ongoing
23 analysis and incorporation of these events is necessary to ensure the

1 appropriate actions are taken at the right time to create the option for new
2 nuclear generation. The application of sound project management
3 fundamentals and critical questioning provides the best results.

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KEY MANAGEMENT DECISIONS

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7 **Q. What types of decisions must the management team make as the Turkey**
8 **Point 6 & 7 project evolves from an early stage development activity to a**
9 **mature licensing, permitting and preconstruction project?**

10 A. In the initial stages of the project, the management team made formative
11 decisions such as team organization, site selection and technology preference.
12 As the project proceeds, key decisions are commonly related to trade-offs
13 between schedule and cost certainty. For example, in order to secure forging
14 capability which supports the project schedule, a reservation fee was required
15 in 2008. Because the fee was relatively small in comparison to the potential
16 impact of project delays, it was determined payment of such a fee was
17 warranted and prudent. Conversely, the current market appears stable for
18 certain identified long lead procurement items and a decision was made in
19 2008 to defer purchasing those items until a later time. Accordingly, FPL has
20 been able to reasonably defer some long lead procurement until a later time.

21 **Q. What key management decisions were made prior to 2008?**

22 A. FPL conducted an extensive site selection analysis leading to the selection of
23 the Turkey Point site as the site that, on balance, provided the most favorable

1 location for developing new nuclear generation to serve FPL's customers.
2 The Site Selection Study, provided as Exhibit SDS-7, employed the principles
3 of the Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI) siting guidelines and is
4 modeled upon applicable NRC site suitability and National Environmental
5 Policy Act (NEPA) criteria regarding the consideration of alternative sites.
6 The study convened a group of industry and FPL subject matter experts to
7 develop and assign weighting factors to a broad range of site selection criteria.
8 Twenty-three candidate sites were then ranked using the siting criteria. This
9 review allowed the list of candidates to be reduced until the best site emerged.
10 Key factors contributing to the selection of Turkey Point include the existing
11 transmission and transportation infrastructure to support new generation, the
12 large size and seclusion of the site while being relatively close to the load
13 center, and the long-standing record of safe and secure operation of nuclear
14 generation at the site since the early 1970s. Turkey Point will also support the
15 earliest practical deployment schedule, in contrast to use of an undeveloped
16 site.

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18 FPL also selected a preferred reactor design, the Westinghouse AP-1000. The
19 AP-1000 technology has achieved design certification from the NRC and
20 employs a proven pressurized water reactor design with an improved passive
21 safety system. Leading to this decision, FPL conducted a detailed engineering
22 evaluation that has been provided as Exhibit SDS-8. In this review, FPL
23 canvassed the range of possible designs and then solicited specific design,

1 construction and operation information from the vendors of the designs that
2 were deemed viable for commercial utility application in the U.S. The result
3 of this analysis demonstrated all designs were technically acceptable, and the
4 decision would be based on commercial considerations. Exhibit SDS-9
5 provides the results of a review conducted by MPR Associates validating
6 FPL's engineering evaluation process. Three principal commercial issues
7 were considered in the choice of the AP-1000. The first two are the estimated
8 capital cost of the total construction project and the ability of the vendor to
9 contribute to managing cost and schedule risk throughout the project.
10 Westinghouse has successfully achieved design certification and, in
11 partnership with Shaw Group, has been selected as the technology for many
12 new nuclear projects currently under consideration in the U.S. These two
13 facts provide an advantage to Westinghouse/Shaw as they establish the
14 engineering and supply chain partners necessary to execute future projects.
15 This position also provides significant confidence that by selecting the AP-
16 1000 technology, FPL will have the opportunity to leverage information
17 developed by other projects to manage cost and schedule risk as Turkey Point
18 6 & 7 proceeds. The last issue is the execution capability of the Technology
19 Vendor, Engineer and Constructor team that would be assembled to
20 implement the Turkey Point 6 & 7 project. Westinghouse/Shaw continues to
21 work adaptively with FPL to define the team that will execute the Turkey
22 Point 6 & 7 project to help optimize the execution capability of the project
23 team.

1 **Q. What were the key matters addressed by FPL project management in**
2 **2008?**

3 A. FPL management made key decisions with respect to the following issues
4 during 2008: 1) how to pursue the contracting strategy for Engineering,
5 Procurement and Construction (EPC) of the project; 2) the need for a forging
6 reservation fee payment to secure needed manufacturing capability; 3) the
7 need to purchase vendor-identified long lead items to maintain project
8 schedule; and 4) adjustments to schedule created by ongoing activities in the
9 industry.

10 **Q. What was considered and determined with regard to the contracting**
11 **strategy for the project?**

12 A. The vendor-proposed business model for new nuclear project deployment of
13 the AP-1000 design involves an EPC contract with Westinghouse/Shaw with
14 defined scope and schedule responsibility. FPL challenged this business
15 model based on several key observations. First, the EPC offered by
16 Westinghouse/Shaw is limited in its ability to provide cost and schedule
17 certainty as to key project elements (such as construction labor) that are not
18 included in the EPC contract scope and pricing. Additionally, the proposed
19 EPC approach does not provide opportunities for other engineering and
20 construction firms to compete directly for components of the work. FPL
21 recognizes the engineering design will be completed over the next few years,
22 allowing for more precise and competitive bids to be developed for the
23 construction period at that time. Further, the industry will significantly

1 mature over the next several years and the lessons learned from projects ahead
2 of FPL can be incorporated to reduce cost or risk to the Turkey Point 6 & 7
3 project. Therefore, FPL has chosen to pursue an approach wherein the
4 Engineering and Procurement (EP) portion of the scope is separated from the
5 Construction (C) scope, enabling the potential to independently bid some or
6 all of the C scope. The option of choosing an EPC contract is not abandoned,
7 merely deferred. In order to create this more competitive option for the
8 construction phase of the project, FPL selected BVZ (an engineering firm
9 independent of Westinghouse/Shaw) to conduct certain construction planning
10 and design work. If FPL were to select a vendor other than BVZ for future
11 construction scope some of these costs may need to be duplicated. The
12 potential additional costs for the BVZ scope are on the order of several
13 million dollars, but compares favorably to the potential benefit of the strategy,
14 which could be on the order of hundreds of millions of dollars through having
15 fostered competition for large later stages in the project.

16 **Q. Please describe the issues related to the forging reservation fee payment**
17 **and why the decision was made to make such payment.**

18 A. The need for Ultra Heavy (UH) and specialty forgings is unique to nuclear
19 construction and other heavy industries (oil refineries, etc.). Based on the
20 limited international market there is currently only one provider of these
21 forgings – Japan Steel Works. In consultation with Westinghouse during
22 2008, it was identified the availability of manufacturing space needed to
23 produce the specialty forgings was at risk. Westinghouse was then in the

1 process of securing forging slots to support several projects, and agreed to
2 assign one of those slots to FPL in return for a reservation fee payment in
3 2008. Recognizing this issue presented a potential critical path for the project,
4 FPL determined it was reasonable to pay a fee of \$10,860,960 to
5 Westinghouse in June 2008. Costs associated with an unplanned delay during
6 construction could be significant (on the order of hundreds of millions of
7 dollars per year) providing the justification for securing the manufacturing
8 capability. The terms of the forging reservation agreement require that the
9 parties enter an Engineering and Procurement agreement by December 2009
10 or the terms must be renegotiated. The forging reservation payment reflected
11 in this category is identified on Exhibit SDS-1, Appendix II, Pre-Construction
12 Schedule T-6, line 6.

13 **Q. What additional long lead items were identified as potentially at risk and**
14 **why did FPL decide to defer the purchase of the items?**

15 A. In late 2007, Westinghouse identified four specific groups of items that should
16 be considered for Long Lead Procurement. Similar to the manufacturing
17 capacity for specialty forgings, other equipment could experience supply
18 chain limitations. Specifically, these items are forgings and components for
19 Reactor Coolant Pumps, tubing for the Steam Generators, secondary
20 components for Steam Generator fabrication and Containment Vessel
21 materials. Based on discussions with Westinghouse, FPL included
22 \$35,000,000 in the fourth quarter of 2008 for potentially procuring these
23 components in its Actual/Estimated amounts for 2008 in the May 1, 2008

1 Nuclear Cost Recovery filing. FPL and Westinghouse continued to monitor
2 the market for these items and determined by late August 2008 that
3 procurement in 2008 would not be required. It was judged that procurement
4 of these items could be deferred without significantly increasing the risk of
5 meeting the target Commercial Operating Date (COD). Analysis is ongoing
6 to determine when it is warranted to make this expenditure. The long lead
7 procurement expense reflected in this category was withdrawn from FPL's
8 2008 Nuclear Cost Recovery request at the September 2008 Nuclear Cost
9 Recovery hearing. The adjustments associated with this decision have been
10 reflected on SDS-1, Appendix II, Schedule T-2, Line 8.

11 **Q. What decisions were made regarding the Licensing and Permitting**
12 **schedule for Turkey Point 6 & 7 in 2008?**

13 A. The licensing and permitting process for the project substantively began in
14 January 2008. An aggressive 15 month schedule was developed to conduct all
15 the necessary activities to submit the NRC COLA, Army Corps of Engineers
16 (ACOE) permit applications and a Florida Department of Environmental
17 Protection (FDEP) Site Certification Application. Steady progress was made
18 toward this objective; however several external factors occurred to cause
19 project management to reevaluate this schedule. Changes were scheduled to
20 occur in early 2009 to both the Design Certification Document for the AP-
21 1000 and the reference COLA for the AP-1000 (application submitted by
22 TVA Bellefonte, i.e., the reference COLA). Also, FPL learned the NRC had
23 asked for additional information on geological issues at the Levy site that

1 would be similar at the Turkey Point site. In order to preserve the projected
2 review timeline of the FPL COLA it is important that these changes and
3 requests for additional information are incorporated into the FPL COLA prior
4 to submission, as opposed to filing on the original schedule date and making
5 an amendment at a later time. The deferral also allowed FPL to increase the
6 robustness of its outreach related to the siting of associated transmission
7 facilities. The net result of the decision changed the schedule for submission
8 of the applications from March 2009 to June 2009. While the impact of this
9 deferred decision on the COD is difficult to determine at this stage, it is
10 certain that the delay of three months to incorporate the information prior to
11 submission will reduce the requests for additional information by the NRC
12 upon submission, and will avoid disrupting the NRC review process with
13 post-submittal amendments on these topics. Given the evolving nature of the
14 overall project schedule, it is not possible to determine if this schedule change
15 will materially affect the target COD for either unit.

16 **Q. Were the above described decisions reasonable?**

17 A. Yes. The project management structure, project internal controls, staffing and
18 oversight processes available ensure that these decisions were made based
19 upon consideration of the best information currently available, and were also
20 properly vetted and considered at the highest levels of the organization.

21 **Q. What other activities has FPL undertaken to ensure that its decision**
22 **processes are informed by the most current national and international**
23 **industry information?**

1 A. FPL is an industry leader in nuclear generation, and as such has the
2 experience, contacts and industry presence to engage in many forums for
3 exploration of nuclear industry issues. Nonetheless, the specific challenges of
4 new nuclear deployment have created focus areas that require additional
5 coordination between entities involved in new plant licensing, construction
6 and operation. FPL participates in four key industry groups that provide value
7 to the Turkey Point 6 & 7 project. The NuStart Consortium provides FPL
8 access to the reference COLA (Bellefonte COLA submitted by TVA) and
9 associated information developed by other AP-1000 applicants necessary to
10 submit and maintain the Turkey Point 6 & 7 COLA. This involvement is
11 necessary to support the federal licensing process. In addition, the Design
12 Centered Working Group (DCWG) was formed to provide coordination
13 between owners, vendors and the NRC related to design modifications of the
14 AP-1000. This critical activity is necessary to ensure design changes for the
15 AP-1000 is made through a consensus process with the involvement of the
16 NRC to preserve standardization of design, a cornerstone of new nuclear
17 development. FPL also is a member of APOG (a consortium of owners of the
18 AP-1000 design) and the Advanced Nuclear Technology (ANT) group
19 organized by the EPRI. These groups are primarily forums to identify and
20 resolve issues that are of primary interest to owners, such as staffing, training
21 and maintenance activities. For example, programs such as Procurement
22 Specification Development, Equipment and Nuclear Fuel Reliability
23 improvements, Advancing Welding Practices, and Modular Equipment

1 Testing and Benchmarking allow FPL increased efficiency in program
2 development and implementation resulting in future cost savings. The
3 principle of standardization through operations and maintenance requires this
4 level of industry coordination and dialogue. These different groups have
5 unique and important roles in the successful execution of new nuclear
6 deployment in the United States. Achieving the goal of industry
7 standardization and realizing the associated economic and operational
8 efficiencies mandates the need for active participation by industry participants
9 in these venues. The total expenditure for fees related these groups in 2008
10 was \$1.3 million.

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2008 PRECONSTRUCTION COSTS

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14 **Q. Describe the preconstruction costs incurred for the Turkey Point 6 & 7**
15 **project in 2008.**

16 A. As represented in Exhibit SDS-1, Appendix II, Schedule T-6, FPL incurred
17 the following pre-construction costs in 2008: 1) Licensing (\$31,085,381); 2)
18 Permitting (\$1,694,555); 3) Engineering and Design (\$3,542,947); 4) Long
19 Lead Procurement advanced payments (\$10,860,960); and 5) Power Block
20 Engineering and Procurement (\$31,789).

21 **Q. Please describe the costs incurred in the Licensing subcategory.**

22 A. In 2008, Licensing costs were \$31,085,381 as shown in Exhibit SDS-1,
23 Appendix II, Schedule T-6, Line 3. Table SDS-1 provides a detailed

1 breakdown of the Licensing subcategory costs in 2008, including a description
2 of items included within each category. The descriptions provided in the
3 following tables are demonstrative and not all inclusive.

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Table SDS – 1 2008 Preconstruction Costs - Licensing

Category	Actual	May 1, 2008 Filing	Variance Fav/ (Unfav)
NNP Team Costs – NNP FPL payroll and expenses, FPL Project Team Facilities, FPL Engineering, FPL Licensing	\$3,098,408	\$3,389,638	\$291,229
COLA Production – COLA Contractor, Project A&E, NRC and DCWG fees;	\$20,862,229	\$22,428,520	\$1,566,291
SCA Oversight	\$1,705,466	\$3,945,003	\$2,239,537
SCA Subcontractors:			
● ECT – Transmission	\$337,790	\$1,705,500	\$1,367,710
● Golder – Environmental	\$472,713	\$1,895,000	\$1,422,287
● McNabb – Underground Injection	\$52,050	\$189,500	\$137,450
SCA Total	\$2,568,019	\$7,735,003	\$5,166,984
Environmental Services – FPL payroll and expenses, External support expenses	\$1,425,781	\$2,877,609	\$1,451,828
Power Systems – FPL payroll and expenses, System studies, licensing and permitting support and design activities	\$1,406,943	\$2,578,278	\$1,171,335
Licensing Legal – FPL payroll and expenses, External Legal Services, Expert Witnesses	\$609,505	\$873,329	\$263,824
● Regulatory Affairs	\$137,893	\$0	\$(137,893)
● Regulatory Accounting	\$155,398	\$0	\$(155,398)
Total Regulatory Support	\$226,276	\$0	\$(226,276)
Total Licensing	\$31,085,381	\$46,022,594	\$14,937,213

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Licensing costs consist primarily of FPL employee, contractor labor and specialty consulting services necessary to develop the various license and permit applications required by the Turkey Point 6 & 7 project. Table SDS-1 provides a detailed breakdown of the Licensing subcategory costs in 2008, including a description of items included within each category.

1 The majority of these expenditures (\$23,960,637) were a result of the COLA
2 process. This value is a combination of COLA Team Costs and Bechtel
3 COLA. These permit and license applications contain project specific
4 information, assessments and studies required by various regulatory
5 authorities to support the reviews leading to decisions on the technical,
6 environmental and social acceptability of the project. Some activities are
7 common between applications, and therefore offer opportunities to coordinate
8 efforts and manage costs. However, each application analyzes each issue
9 from a unique perspective and may require differing levels of detail.

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11 The COLA development costs were estimated based on the Bechtel proposal
12 that was obtained through a competitively bid process. The proposal was
13 reviewed to verify that the scope adequately described the activities necessary
14 and that reasonable labor rates and resource costs were utilized. Other
15 licensing and permitting costs were developed in accordance with FPL's
16 budget and accounting guidelines and policies. Further, these cost estimates
17 were compared to FPL's recent extensive experience with the development
18 and permitting of new generation projects in Florida and were found to be
19 reasonable.

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1 **Q. Please explain the reasons behind major variances between the actual**
2 **Licensing costs and the costs projected in the 2008 Nuclear Cost Recovery**
3 **filing.**

4 A. Overall, FPL spent \$14,937,213 less than planned in 2008, primarily due to
5 moving the COLA submittal date forward from March 2009 to June 2009.
6 Costs for the New Nuclear Project team were below projected by \$291,229
7 owing to staffing activities lagging plan. Approximately \$2.7 million of
8 COLA production costs were deferred into 2009 due to the shift in the COLA
9 submittal schedule to June 2009. SCA production costs were lower than
10 expected, due to synergies with COLA activities and some costs deferred to
11 2009 as a result of the shift in the SCA submittal schedule to June 2009.
12 Deferral of submittal dates creates the variance seen in Environmental
13 Services, Power Systems and Legal categories, as well. Regulatory costs were
14 not budgeted in 2008; therefore the inclusion of these costs shows as a
15 complete variance.

16 **Q. Please describe the costs incurred in the Permitting subcategory incurred**
17 **in 2008.**

18 A. In 2008, Permitting costs were \$1,694,555 as shown in Exhibit SDS-1,
19 Appendix II, Schedule T-6, Line 4. Permitting costs consist primarily of FPL
20 employee, consulting and legal services necessary to support the various
21 license and permit applications required by the Turkey Point 6 & 7 project.
22 Table SDS-2 provides a detailed breakdown of the Permitting subcategory
23 costs in 2008, including a description of items included within each category.

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Table SDS-2 2008 Preconstruction Costs - Permitting

Category	Actual	May 1, 2008 Filing	Variance Fav/ (Unfav)
Marketing and Communications – FPL payroll and expenses, External Media Support, External Polling and Outreach Support, Graphics and Collateral materials	\$289,829	\$644,326	\$354,497
Development – FPL payroll and expenses, various studies	\$858,824	\$771,114	(\$87,710)
Legal – FPL payroll and expenses, external support for permitting legal specialists	\$548,074	\$291,154	(\$256,920)
Contingency	(\$2,172)	\$608,593	\$610,764
Total Permitting	\$1,694,555	\$2,317,866	\$623,309

Marketing and Communications department supports the project by ensuring that the project information is prepared, reviewed and available for distribution to media, customers and key stakeholders. Expenses in this category include personnel dedicated to supporting the many project outreach activities, external contractors who provide specific services (e.g., graphic arts, polling, or other media services), and printing of mailing and collateral materials. Development costs in 2008 include two personnel: myself and a Project Manager. Legal expenditures provide necessary support to activities for all permitting and project interactions. Contingency is established to provide for emerging issues, unanticipated studies or activities, or budget areas that exceed plan for unanticipated reasons.

1 **Q. Please explain any variance between the actual Permitting costs and the**
2 **costs projected in the 2008 Nuclear Cost Recovery filing.**

3 A. Overall, the project spent \$623,309 below plan in 2008 in the Permitting
4 subcategory. This variance is a result of the communications expenditures
5 being under budget, due to less work being required than planned and the
6 change in application filing dates. Development costs exceeded plan to
7 accommodate for transition costs for a new hire. Legal costs were higher than
8 anticipated due to additional legal work required to support local permitting.
9 Contingency is included in anticipation of emerging critical costs that must be
10 incurred to move the project forward. In 2008, only comparatively minor
11 issues of this type were experienced, and the contingency was used to offset
12 the above-plan legal costs.

13 **Q. Please describe the costs incurred in the Engineering and Design**
14 **subcategory.**

15 A. In 2008, Engineering and Design costs were \$3,542,947 as shown in Exhibit
16 SDS-1, Appendix II, Schedule T-6, Line 5. Engineering and Design costs
17 consist primarily of FPL employee and engineering consulting services
18 necessary to develop the construction execution plan for the Turkey Point 6 &
19 7 project. Table SDS-3 provides a detailed breakdown of the Engineering and
20 Design subcategory costs in 2008, including a description of items included
21 within each category.

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1 **Table SDS-3 2008 Preconstruction Costs – Engineering and Design**

Category	Actual	May 1, 2008 Filing	Variance Fav/ (Unfav)
Engineering and Construction Team – FPL payroll and expenses, Preconstruction project management	\$1,348,424	\$1,432,434	\$84,010
Pre-construction External Engineering (BVZ) – construction planning	\$1,919,522	\$3,480,995	\$1,561,473
APOG Membership Participation	\$0	\$0	\$0
EPRI Advanced Nuclear Technology	\$275,000	\$0	(\$275,000)
Contingency	\$0	\$2,997,232	\$2,997,232
Total Engineering and Design	\$3,542,947	\$7,910,661	\$4,367,715

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In 2008, the majority of costs in the Engineering and Design subcategory were split between establishing the staff and construction organization and engaging BVZ to undertake the initial construction planning activities. Costs associated with EPRI's Advanced Nuclear Technology working group are also included in this category.

Q. Please explain any variance between the actual Engineering and Design costs and the costs projected in the 2008 Nuclear Cost Recovery filing.

A. Overall, the project incurred costs that were \$4,367,715 below plan in 2008 in the Engineering and Design subcategory. This variance was primarily caused by FPL's decision to develop BVZ as a credible alternative to the proposed Westinghouse/Shaw EPC model, deferring expenditures originally planned for earlier in the year. FPL engaged in a review that led to identifying BVZ as the

1 appropriate contractor to fill this role. This analysis and associated vetting
2 process postponed initiation of construction planning activities until October.
3 This postponement resulted in lower than expected expenditures to the
4 contractor and no release of unallocated contingency. After budget formation,
5 it was determined that the Engineering and Design subcategory was the
6 appropriate budget location for the EPRI and APOG group fees. Therefore a
7 variance is noted.

8 **Q. Please describe the costs incurred in the Long Lead Procurement**
9 **subcategory.**

10 A. In 2008, Long Lead Procurement costs were \$10,860,960 as shown in Exhibit
11 SDS-1, Appendix II, Schedule T-6, Line 6. Long Lead Procurement costs in
12 2008 consist solely of the Ultra Heavy (UH) and specialty forging reservation
13 payment. The payment was made to Westinghouse to secure manufacturing
14 space at Japan Steel Works due to high demand. The fee provides for
15 reservation of the manufacturing capacity necessary to produce 23 specific
16 forgings for each of two AP-1000 units, or 46 forgings in total. The
17 reservation slots are made based on a fabrication schedule that supports Unit 6
18 commercial operation in mid-2018 and Unit 7 commercial operation in mid-
19 2020. It was necessary to secure the manufacturing space for the forgings
20 during 2008 based on competition for the limited manufacturing capacity for
21 these forgings and the pending queue of international heavy industrial
22 projects. Table SDS-4 provides a detailed breakdown of the Long Lead
23 Procurement subcategory costs in 2008 as amended at the time of the Nuclear

1 Cost Recovery hearing. The initial filing included \$35,000,000 for additional
 2 long lead procurement activity that was able to be deferred, for the reasons
 3 discussed earlier in my testimony.
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5 **Table SDS-4 2008 Preconstruction Costs – Long Lead Procurement**

Category	Actual	May 1, 2008 Filing	Variance Fav/ (Unfav)
Long Lead Procurement – UH forging reservation payment to Westinghouse	\$10,860,960	\$10,860,960	\$0

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7 **Q. Please describe any variance between the actual Long Lead Procurement**
 8 **costs and the costs projected in the 2008 Nuclear Cost Recovery filing.**

9 A. No variance exists to the amended filing.

10 **Q. Please describe the costs incurred in the Power Block Engineering and**
 11 **Procurement subcategory.**

12 A. In 2008, Power Block Engineering and Procurement costs were \$31,789 as
 13 shown in Exhibit SDS-1, Appendix II, Schedule T-6, Line 7. Power Block
 14 Engineering and Procurement costs consist solely of FPL payroll and
 15 expenses supporting negotiations with Westinghouse/Shaw. Table SDS-5
 16 provides a detailed breakdown of the Power Block Engineering and
 17 Procurement subcategory costs in 2008, including a description of items
 18 included within each category.
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**Table SDS – 5 2008 Preconstruction Costs –
Power Block Engineering and Procurement**

Category	Actual	May 1, 2008 Filing	Variance Fav/ (Unfav)
Power Block Engineering & Procurement – FPL payroll and expenses	\$31,789	\$60,000	\$28,211
Contingency	\$0	\$2,827,920	\$2,827,920
Total Power Block Engineering & Procurement	\$31,789	\$2,887,920	\$2,856,131

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5 **Q. Was there a variance between the actual Power Block Engineering and**
6 **Procurement costs and the costs projected in the 2008 Nuclear Cost**
7 **Recovery filing?**

8 A. Yes. Costs for support of negotiations were lower than anticipated due to the
9 pace of the negotiations. Contingency was planned but not used. This
10 contingency was expected to be required to fund Westinghouse/Shaw pre-
11 engineering activities if necessary.

12 **Q. Were any costs expended in the Transmission category prior to or during**
13 **2008?**

14 A. No. All costs associated with Transmission planning or engineering were
15 related to the licensing and permitting activities, and therefore are
16 appropriately included in those categories, described above. When activities
17 move from licensing/permitting support to detailed engineering of the
18 transmission improvements, costs will begin to be expended in these
19 categories. It is expected that these expenditures will begin in 2010.

1 **Q. Were the 2008 project activities prudent and were the related costs**
2 **reasonable?**

3 A. Yes. All costs were incurred as a result of the deliberately managed process at
4 the direction of well-informed, properly qualified management, that I have
5 described that were incurred in the process of conducting the necessary pre-
6 construction activities such as obtaining the necessary licenses and permits,
7 and the process of obtaining the necessary manufacturing space reservations
8 for the Turkey Point 6 & 7 project. All costs were reviewed and approved
9 under the direction of the Turkey Point 6 & 7 management team and were
10 made fully subject to project internal controls. Costs were processed using
11 FPL standard procurement procedures and authorization processes, and found
12 to be reasonable.

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2007 PRECONSTRUCTION COSTS

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16 **Q. Describe the preconstruction costs incurred for the Turkey Point 6 & 7**
17 **project in 2007?**

18 A. As represented in Exhibit SDS-1 in Appendix II, Schedule T-6, FPL incurred
19 the following pre-construction costs in 2007: 1) Licensing (\$2,017,181); 2)
20 Permitting (\$516,084); 3) Engineering and Design (\$0); 4) Long Lead
21 Procurement advanced payments (\$0) and 5) Power Block Engineering and
22 Procurement (\$0). There are no variances for any of these categories because

1 the 2007 expenditures previously provided by FPL were historical, actual
2 expenditures.

3 **Q. Please describe the costs incurred in the Licensing subcategory.**

4 A. In 2007 Licensing costs were \$2,017,181 as shown in Exhibit SDS-1,
5 Appendix II, Schedule T-6, Line 4. Table SDS-6 provides a detailed
6 breakdown of the Licensing subcategory costs in 2007, including a description
7 of items included within each category.

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Table SDS – 6 2007 Preconstruction Costs - Licensing

Category	Actual	May 1, 2008 Filing	Variance Fav/ (Unfav)
NNP Team Costs – NNP FPL payroll and expenses, FPL Project Team Facilities, FPL Engineering, FPL Licensing	\$387,722	\$387,722	\$0
COLA Production – COLA Contractor, Project A&E, NRC and DCWG fees;	\$1,438,338	\$1,438,338	\$0
Environmental Services – FPL payroll and expenses, External support expenses	\$131,459	\$131,459	\$0
Power Systems – FPL payroll and expenses, System studies, licensing and permitting support and design activities	\$17,837	\$17,837	\$0
Primarily due to year-end True-up Environmental Services \$35K and payroll pay corrections \$6K	\$41,827	\$41,827	\$0
Total Licensing	\$2,017,181	\$2,017,181	\$0

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1 Licensing costs consist primarily of FPL employee, contractor labor and
 2 specialty consulting services necessary to develop the various license and
 3 permit applications required by the Turkey Point 6 & 7 project. The majority
 4 of these expenditures (\$1,826,060) were a result of the COLA process.

5 **Q. Please describe the costs incurred in the Permitting subcategory incurred**
 6 **in 2007.**

7 A. In 2007, Permitting costs were \$516,084 as shown in Exhibit SDS-1,
 8 Appendix II, Schedule T-6, Line 5. Permitting costs consist primarily of
 9 FPL employee, consulting and legal services necessary to support the various
 10 license and permit applications required by the Turkey Point 6 & 7 project.
 11 Table SDS-7 provides a detailed breakdown of the Permitting subcategory
 12 costs in 2007, including a description of items included within each category.
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14 **Table SDS-7 2007 Preconstruction Costs - Permitting**

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Category	Actual	May 1, 2008 Filing	Variance Fav/(Unfav)
Marketing and Communications – FPL payroll and expenses, External Media Support, External Polling and Outreach Support, Graphics and Collateral materials	\$93,071	\$93,071	\$0
Development – FPL payroll and expenses, various studies	\$55,923	\$55,923	\$0
Legal – FPL payroll and expenses, external support for permitting legal specialists	\$362,450	\$362,450	\$0
Year-end True-up	\$4,640	\$4,640	\$0
Total Permitting	\$516,084	\$516,084	\$0

1 As discussed above, Marketing and Communications supports the project by
2 ensuring the project information is prepared, reviewed and available for
3 distribution to media, customers and key stakeholders. Development costs
4 include two personnel, myself and a Project Manager. Legal expenditures
5 provide support to activities for all permitting and project interactions.
6 Contingency is established as discretionary funds to be used to cover
7 emerging issues, unanticipated studies or activities, or allocated to budget
8 areas that exceed plan for unexpected reasons.

9 **Q. Please describe the costs incurred in the Engineering and Design**
10 **subcategory.**

11 A. In 2007, Engineering and Design costs were \$0 as shown in Exhibit SDS-1,
12 Appendix II, Schedule T-6, Line 6.

13 **Q. Please describe the costs incurred in the Long Lead Procurement**
14 **subcategory.**

15 A. In 2007, Long Lead Procurement costs were \$0 as shown in Exhibit SDS-1,
16 Appendix II, Schedule T-6, Line 7.

17 **Q. Please describe the costs incurred in the Power Block Engineering and**
18 **Procurement subcategory.**

19 A. In 2007, Power Block Engineering and Procurement costs were \$0 as shown
20 in Exhibit SDS-1, Appendix II, Schedule T-6, Line 8.

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1 **Q. Were any costs expended in the Transmission category prior to or during**
2 **2008?**

3 A. No. All costs associated with Transmission planning or engineering were
4 related to the licensing and permitting activities, and therefore are
5 appropriately included in those categories, described above. When activities
6 move from licensing/permitting support to detailed engineering of the
7 transmission improvements, costs will begin to be expended in these
8 categories. It is expected that these expenditures will begin in 2010.

9 **Q. Were the 2007 project activities prudent and were the related costs**
10 **reasonable?**

11 A. Yes. All costs were incurred as a result of the deliberately managed process at
12 the direction of well-informed, properly qualified management, that I have
13 described that were incurred in the process of conducting the necessary pre-
14 construction activities of obtaining the necessary licenses and permits, for the
15 Turkey Point 6 & 7 project. All costs were reviewed and approved under the
16 direction of the Turkey Point 6 & 7 management team and were made fully
17 subject to project internal controls. Costs were processed using FPL standard
18 procurement procedures and authorization processes, and found to be
19 reasonable.

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1 **PROJECT SITE SELECTION COSTS**

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3 **Q. Please describe the Site Selection costs incurred in 2006 and 2007.**

4 **A.** FPL's Site Selection work is discussed in detail earlier in my testimony. As
5 represented in Exhibit SDS-2, Appendix III, Schedule T-6, Line 6, FPL
6 incurred Site Selection costs totaling \$6,118,105. Site Selection costs
7 included: 1) Project Staffing (\$762,841); 2) Engineering (\$3,351,744); 3)
8 Environmental Services (\$1,220,290) and 4) Legal Services (\$783,231). Site
9 Selection costs were incurred from the inception of the project in 2006 up to
10 October 17, 2007 when the Need Determination request was filed with the
11 FPSC. Site Selection costs in the 2008 Nuclear Cost Recovery filing total
12 \$6,424,121. The reduction of \$306,016 resulted from an audit finding in the
13 Project Staffing category and is further explained in the footnote of Exhibit
14 SDS-2 (Appendix III, Schedule T-6). The majority of Site Selection costs
15 were related to engineering support and analysis necessary to conduct
16 preliminary activities leading to the selection of the FPL site and design
17 technology. Environmental and legal costs were largely related to the local
18 zoning approvals obtained in December 2007. Additional costs were incurred
19 for FPL payroll and expenses for the project staff. Table SDS-8 provides a
20 detailed breakdown of the Site Selection costs, including a description of
21 items included within each category.

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Table SDS-8 2006-2007 Site Selection Costs

Category	Actual Total 2006 and 2007	May 1, 2008 Filing Total 2006 and 2007	Variance Fav/ (Unfav)
Project Staffing – FPL salary and expenses, various studies, Corporate Communications	\$762,841	\$1,068,856	\$306,016
Engineering Team – FPL salary and expenses, Contractor salary and expenses, Preconstruction project management	\$3,351,744	\$3,351,744	\$0
Environmental Services - FPL salary and expenses, Contractor salary and expenses, External Consulting	\$1,220,290	\$1,220,290	\$0
Legal - FPL salary and expenses, external support for legal specialists	\$ 783,231	\$ 783,231	\$0
Total Site Selection	\$6,118,105	\$6,424,121	\$306,016

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3 **Q. Were the project Site Selection activities prudent and were the related**
4 **costs reasonable?**

5 A. Yes. All costs were incurred as a result of the deliberately managed process at
6 the direction of well-informed, properly qualified management, that I have
7 described that were incurred in support of the Turkey Point 6 & 7 project. All
8 costs were reviewed and approved under the direction of the Turkey Point 6 &
9 7 management team and were made fully subject to project internal controls.
10 Costs were processed using FPL standard procurement procedures and
11 authorization processes and found to be reasonable.

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CONCLUSION

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3 **Q. Please summarize your testimony.**

4 A. The Turkey Point 6 & 7 project is progressing on schedule and well within
5 budget. The project is being managed by a professional team of engineers,
6 analysts and managers to ensure process controls are maintained and activities
7 are compliant with applicable corporate procedures and project specific
8 instructions. The project management process is being conducted in a well-
9 informed, transparent and organized manner which enables executive
10 oversight and facilitates reviews by internal and external parties. The Turkey
11 Point 6 & 7 project team has the skills, experience and executive oversight to
12 guide the project through critical decisions using the best available
13 information. This disciplined application of process by well-qualified FPL
14 managers results in prudent decisions with respect to project activities and
15 expenditures.

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

17 A. Yes.

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2 **FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY**

3 **DIRECT TESTIMONY OF STEVEN D. SCROGGS**

4 **DOCKET NO. 090009-EI**

5 **MAY 1, 2009**

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7 **Q. Please state your name and business address.**

8 A. My name is Steven D. Scroggs. My business address is 700 Universe
9 Boulevard, Juno Beach, Florida 33408.

10 **Q. By whom are you employed and what is your position?**

11 A. I am employed by Florida Power & Light Company (FPL or the Company) as
12 Senior Director, Project Development. In this position I have responsibility
13 for the development of power generation projects to meet the needs of FPL's
14 customers.

15 **Q. Have you previously provided testimony in this docket?**

16 A. Yes.

17 **Q. Are you sponsoring any exhibits in this case?**

18 A. Yes, I am sponsoring the following exhibits:

- 19 • SDS-1, which consists of Appendix II containing the Nuclear Filing
20 Requirements Schedules (NFRs) for Turkey Point 6 & 7 Pre-Construction
21 costs. Page 2 of Appendix II contains a table of contents listing the NFRs
22 sponsored by FPL witness Powers, FPL witness Sim, and by me,
23 respectively.

- 1 • SDS-2, which consists of Appendix III containing the NFRs that provide
2 the Site Selection costs for Turkey Point 6 & 7 Project. Page 2 of Appendix
3 III contains a table of contents listing the NFRs sponsored by FPL witness
4 Powers and by me, respectively.
- 5 • SDS-3, which consists of 2008 Nuclear Industry Group products and
6 activities.
- 7 • SDS-4, which consists of summary tables presenting the 2009
8 actual/estimated and 2010 projected preconstruction costs for the Turkey
9 Point 6 & 7 project.

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

11 A. The purpose of my testimony is to provide a description of how the Turkey
12 Point 6 & 7 project is being developed, managed and controlled to meet the
13 objectives of delivering reliable, cost-effective and fuel diverse generation to
14 FPL customers under the earliest practical deployment schedule. My
15 testimony will provide insight into how project activities are managed and the
16 issues influencing key decisions that will affect the nature, cost and pace of
17 the project. I will also describe the projected expenditures for 2009 and 2010
18 that will allow FPL to produce and defend applications for the required
19 licenses and permits and otherwise enable steps necessary to maintain the
20 project schedule.

21 **Q. Please summarize your testimony.**

22 A. FPL applies an adaptive and disciplined management approach to the complex
23 challenge of deploying new nuclear generation. The primary focus of the

1 project at present is the completion and defense of license and permitting
2 applications necessary for project approval and construction by a multi-
3 discipline team of FPL employees, contractors and advisers. FPL has
4 significant experience in these activities at the local, state and federal levels.
5 Necessarily, the project relies on time-tested project reporting and controls
6 processes to identify, quantify and manage risk to project schedule, cost and
7 quality. However, the Turkey Point 6 & 7 project presents a host of unique
8 challenges due to the nature of new nuclear deployment in the U.S. This
9 testimony describes these issues and the key decisions that have been made, or
10 will be made, to maintain progress toward delivering the benefits of new
11 nuclear generation to FPL customers without taking unnecessary cost or
12 schedule risks. My testimony summarizes the actual/estimated Pre-
13 construction costs planned for 2009 and the projected Pre-construction costs
14 estimated for 2010. Moreover, I will discuss the rationale for these
15 expenditures and how they will be managed going forward to meet project
16 objectives.

17 18 **PROJECT APPROACH**

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20 **Q. What is FPL's overall approach to developing Turkey Point 6 & 7?**

21 A. FPL continues to develop Turkey Point 6 & 7 through a deliberate, stepwise
22 decision making process. This involves continuous monitoring of the issues
23 affecting the pace and feasibility of the Turkey Point 6 & 7 project.

1 Opportunities will be presented as the project unfolds to change the pace of
2 the project in response to evolving issues and factors. This allows FPL to take
3 advantage of events that offer opportunities to accelerate schedule or lock in
4 favorable terms for materials or services. Alternately, FPL can slow the
5 project down or take an “off ramp”, halting or limiting project expenditures
6 for defined periods of time to manage cost risk. The nature of power
7 generation development requires FPL to monitor evolving issues and control
8 the pace of the Turkey Point 6 & 7 project in order to execute the project
9 efficiently and manage the risks presented as the project proceeds.

10 **Q. How is the Turkey Point 6 & 7 project management organized to**
11 **maintain an on-going risk management focus?**

12 A. The Turkey Point 6 & 7 project requires a broad span of specific experience in
13 the development, design, construction and licensing of nuclear generation.
14 There is also a significant volume of information being generated as issues
15 unique to new nuclear generation deployment are identified, assessed and
16 evaluated. The project management structure of the Turkey Point 6 & 7
17 project provides for dedicated teams with the requisite subject matter expertise
18 to be coordinated at all levels. This is accomplished through a project
19 organization and reporting structure and a deliberate contracting structure that
20 applies the best resources to each issue while maintaining transparent and
21 open communications. The project organization relies on two principal
22 organizations that are jointly responsible for the integrated execution of the
23 project. Martin Gettler leads the New Nuclear Plant organization with

1 responsibility for Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) licensing and
2 project engineering and construction. I lead the FPL Development
3 organization for all other facets of project development, such as state Site
4 Certification, local zoning approvals, public relations and state FPSC
5 regulatory issues. Each organization is formed from FPL business units with
6 specific, recent success in the licensing, NRC re-licensing and permitting of
7 eleven power generation facilities in Florida in the past seven years and
8 complemented with our national operating experience with renewable, natural
9 gas and nuclear generation assets.

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11 FPL also gave careful consideration to how it contracted for support of the
12 many license and permit applications. FPL conducted a competitive bid for
13 engineering services to prepare and support the NRC Combined Operating
14 License Application (COLA). Bechtel was selected as the best candidate for
15 performance of that scope of work. Recognizing that the body of work related
16 to the COLA would need to be consistent with the information used in other
17 project permit applications, FPL then directed Bechtel to manage the efforts of
18 all other subcontractors supporting the completion of license and permit
19 applications. This aligns the activities and base information used in all
20 permits through a single contracting structure to maximize consistency and
21 communication between the various vendors.

1 **Q. Please expand on the concept of “off-ramps” and how the pace of the**
2 **Turkey Point 6 & 7 project is determined based on key decisions resulting**
3 **from the continued assessment of issues that may impact the project.**

4 A. The project team manages a host of issues at local, state and federal levels and
5 across technical, commercial, economic and regulatory areas of interest. The
6 impact on cost, schedule and quality are constantly being assessed through a
7 series of routine tools and reports. If an assessment indicates the potential for
8 a considerable cost or schedule impact, mitigation actions are identified that
9 are designed to eliminate, reduce, defer or otherwise manage the impact. If
10 the magnitude of the impact is such that the cost or schedule impact materially
11 changes the feasibility of the project or significantly increases risk, a decision
12 must be made as to whether such impact is acceptable in light of all current
13 information. Options available include continuing with a modified budget
14 and/or schedule along with available mitigation actions, or halt the project
15 temporarily while the impact issue is further assessed or resolved. The option
16 of slowing or halting the project in response to significant events or
17 uncertainties, although it would postpone delivery of Turkey Point 6 & 7’s
18 benefits, offers a high level of exposure control for FPL and its customers.
19 Such decisions would also need to address how FPL system capacity and
20 reliability needs would be satisfied if delivery were to be delayed.

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Q. What process and risk management tools does FPL apply to obtain cost, risk and schedule objectives?

A. FPL uses industry accepted project controls, systems and practices to obtain a high level of fidelity in the expenditures incurred and projected for all projects. The primary means of control are 1) the project budgeting and reporting process, 2) project schedule and activity reporting processes, 3) the contract management process for external service providers, and 4) internal and external oversight processes. These processes were fully described in my direct testimony provided in the March 2, 2009 True-up filing.

Q. How are these tools reviewed over time?

A. Effectiveness measures are included within some mechanisms and provided by external review processes for all. As an example, the Engineering & Construction Division Project Dashboard presents issues and the current trends for those issues. Over time, if a problematic issue continues to trend down or remains neutral, the effectiveness of the project management controls are investigated to determine if modifications are needed to affect improvement. Effectiveness of project control processes is also reviewed as a part of the project management reviews and audits.

Q. What audit activities are planned and what are the objectives of these audits?

1 A. FPL employs a comprehensive suite of audit activities to evaluate and
2 document the conduct of project activities. Standard annual financial audits
3 provide full review of project expenditures to support prudence determination
4 in the subsequent years. Annual internal controls audits are conducted to
5 ensure that FPL is appropriately applying all project controls and is adopting
6 the appropriate techniques and tools learned from other projects in the
7 industry. Topical audits are developed as necessary to complement specific
8 areas that are of key interest at each stage of the project. Examples of topical
9 audits would include quality control audits focusing on specific processes and
10 training audits to verify personnel are receiving required instruction.

11 **Q. Please provide examples of the types of improvement opportunities**
12 **created by these audits, and FPL's process for incorporating these**
13 **improvements into existing processes.**

14 A. FPL maintains a culture promoting continuous process improvement to
15 improve operations and increase productivity. The project team employs a
16 range of tools and practices to improve the quality and timeliness of work.
17 Examples of these continuous improvement practices are the process reviews
18 held with work teams (e.g., FPL employees and vendor staff) and self auditing
19 checklists generated for repetitive processes such as travel and routine
20 expenses. In addition the project team is provided periodic training in various
21 subject areas to continuously refresh, update and introduce the latest
22 information available to maintain the project team at the highest technical and
23 commercial levels available industry wide. The following list provides

1 examples of the continuous improvement project team process reviews that
2 were completed in 2008-2009:

- 3 ● Project Control Guidelines (issued March 21, 2008)
- 4 ● General Administrative Controls Presentation (i.e., Employee Expense
5 Reports; Other Local Disbursements and Payroll);
- 6 ● Updating Monthly Cost Report Process
- 7 ● Management Meeting (i.e., 10-16-08) Process Improvements
- 8 ● Ongoing review and optimization of project team reports
- 9 ● Ongoing review and optimization of project team Instructions & Forms

10 **Q. What other activities are employed by the project to address industry**
11 **issues that may impact the long term success and execution of the**
12 **project?**

13 A. FPL is involved in a number of areas to address issues relevant to new nuclear
14 deployment. The company works with the U.S. Department of Energy and
15 members of Congress on energy policy matters related to nuclear
16 development, including the NP 2010 program that has provided much of the
17 foundational work supporting the prospects of new nuclear generation.

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19 FPL also participates in four specific groups comprised of new nuclear
20 industry owners and design vendor(s). The collective purpose of these groups
21 is to identify and resolve issues that may impact the licensing, design,
22 construction, operation and maintenance of the AP-1000 design.
23 Individually, each group provides a collaborative forum for owners to work

1 with each other, the design vendor and the NRC to achieve standardized
2 solutions to the issues that face all owners. This enables the industry to
3 maintain a high level of standardization from the earliest stages of new
4 nuclear deployment. Standardization of designs and processes will provide
5 benefits to FPL customers in terms of efficiency and cost control. Exhibit
6 SDS-3 provides a summary of the activities associated with each group in
7 2008.

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PROCUREMENT

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11 **Q. Please summarize the results of the procurement activities supporting**
12 **Turkey Point 6 & 7 project to date.**

13 A. The bulk of project activities and expenditures have been spent on the
14 development of the detailed studies and analyses required to facilitate federal,
15 state and local reviews of the proposed project and, if appropriate, grant the
16 needed permits, approvals and authorizations for construction and operation.
17 Additional expenditures have allowed the project to undertake the initial
18 engineering and commercial steps in the development of an execution plan for
19 plant deployment. FPL has used competitive bidding for the majority of total
20 project expenditures and used single or sole source procurement when
21 appropriate.

22 **Q. What key procurement activities are being addressed by the project in**
23 **2009 and 2010?**

1 A. Procurement activities in 2009 and 2010 will be related to two principal areas.
2 The licensing and permitting process requires support from consultants, legal
3 service firms and subject matter experts to respond to the inquiries of the
4 public and the reviewing agencies during the application review process. The
5 scope and expenditures associated with these activities have been estimated in
6 the 2009 actual/estimated and 2010 projected costs, but will not be fully
7 known until the review process is complete.

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9 FPL must also initiate the detailed site-specific design, preliminary
10 engineering and procurement activities necessary to meet the project schedule.
11 An agreement may be required with the Westinghouse/Shaw consortium for
12 Engineering and Procurement activities associated with the AP-1000 nuclear
13 plant design. The negotiations supporting such agreements have been
14 underway since early 2008 and have made significant progress. Currently,
15 there are ongoing discussions on contract terms, project schedule, price and
16 the allocation of risk between the multiple parties. Additionally, the
17 acceptance reviews associated with the NRC COLA and other applications
18 will provide schedule information that will be influential on the timing of any
19 Engineering and Procurement (EP) Contract commitments. The issues
20 influencing this process will be more fully discussed in the Issues and Key
21 Decisions portion of this testimony.

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ISSUES AND KEY DECISIONS

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Q. What are the primary issues that are being monitored for their impact on the Turkey Point 6 & 7 project?

A. Due to the magnitude and long term schedule associated with the Turkey Point 6 & 7 project, certain issues have the potential to create challenges and opportunities for the execution of the project. There are three areas that are being monitored. Foremost on all of our minds is the recent economic downturn, which has the potential to directly and indirectly impact the project in several ways as discussed below. Additionally, national and international nuclear industry activity affects the project in multiple ways, primarily influencing the commercial negotiations with Westinghouse/Shaw. Finally, the ongoing political and regulatory environment will continue to significantly influence the project.

Q. What issues are presented by the recent economic downturn on markets related to power generation projects and energy policy in general?

A. The Turkey Point 6 & 7 project is a long term investment to meet the electric reliability, environmental and economic needs of FPL's customers. These needs transcend, and in some ways are heightened by, short term economic cycles. Nonetheless, the practical matter of making progress towards meeting those needs, while maintaining a balance of risk and expenditure that is appropriate for the current environment, is a challenge. As noted earlier,

1 FPL's approach for this project is adaptive and disciplined. The recent
2 downturn has affected the local Florida, national and international economies.

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4 The effect of the downturn on the Florida economy is reflected in the reduced
5 demand projections for FPL in the near term. Long term projections, that
6 span economic cycles, remain consistent with FPL's experience projecting a
7 long term growth rate of 2.1%. FPL's Ten Year Power Plant Siting Plan,
8 provided April 1, 2009 identifies how FPL is adapting its long term generation
9 plan to incorporate current projections. That plan maintains Turkey Point 6 &
10 7 in the plan due to the economic, reliability and fuel diversity benefits
11 offered. FPL witness Sim provides a more detailed discussion of the impact
12 of current economics on the feasibility of the Turkey Point 6 & 7 project.

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14 The economic downturn also affects the supply chain that will provide
15 materials, equipment and services to the project. Price indices for materials
16 and labor had experienced significant increases in the years 2005 – 2008.
17 Current commodity indices trends show considerable decreases in many of the
18 base materials used for plant construction (e.g., steel, copper, aluminum, oil).
19 However other base materials such as concrete have remained flat while
20 finished engineered products such as large pumps, large valves, heat
21 exchanger and transformers have shown some minor easing of pricing but not
22 a significant trend. It remains to be seen if these price index decreases will be
23 fully realized as reductions in the estimated price of goods and services that

1 make up the project cost estimate. Other market forces, such as demand from
2 other international and U.S. nuclear projects keep the qualified nuclear supply
3 chain highly utilized, maintaining elevated price levels from these suppliers.
4 Changes in projects that precede Turkey Point 6 & 7, or changes to the
5 number or capabilities of qualified vendors in the nuclear supply chain, will
6 impact the pricing that can be obtained for key components and services.
7 Access to capital and the interest rates that will be charged for the project
8 financing will also be impacted by the current economic situation. Regulatory
9 certainty demonstrated in federal and state licensing, permitting and cost
10 recovery processes will enable access to the most competitive financing
11 alternatives.

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13 The current economic situation also puts pressure on the achievement of fuel
14 diversity and environmental objectives at state, national and international
15 levels. Near term economic cycles may change the pace at which long term
16 solutions to fuel diversity, price variability and climate change are pursued.
17 Deferral of new nuclear capacity will prolong the reliance on fossil fuels. For
18 Florida, such a deferral would increase the exposure to fuel supply reliability
19 and price volatility, and maintain fossil fuel production and associated
20 greenhouse gases. On a national and international level, older coal and oil
21 fired plants would remain in service preventing a meaningful reduction in
22 greenhouse gas production and maintaining a reliance on these fuels affecting
23 fuel supply and availability in the market.

1 **Q. What opportunities does FPL have to respond to the impact of these**
2 **national and international supply issues?**

3 A. The primary contracts that will influence the cost and schedule of the project
4 will be the EP contract and subsequent Construction contract(s). FPL has
5 made no commitments to these contracts at this stage and is negotiating the
6 scope, schedule, terms and costs associated with the EP contract now. FPL's
7 primary means of responding to the impact created by the economic downturn
8 is to ensure the opportunities and risks created by the current economic
9 situation are adequately included in any agreements executed for the project
10 and as much competition as possible is created for each scope of work. This
11 means ensuring that the project is obtaining the benefits of recent material cost
12 reductions where possible and including protective language to address
13 potential future scenarios in a balanced manner. It is important that contracts
14 entered into at the beginning of the long design and construction process
15 maintain a balance of cost effectiveness and risk mitigation throughout the
16 entire project timeline. Additionally, the economic downturn reinforces the
17 value of creating competition for bids where possible. With a decrease in
18 overall economic activity, engineering services and construction companies
19 may be more inclined to reduce price or accept risk that would not otherwise
20 be a part of their business model in a more robust economy.

21 **Q. What energy policy activities under consideration might impact the**
22 **Turkey Point 6 & 7 project?**

1 A. Generation portfolio standards that promote clean energy additions are under
2 consideration in many states, including Florida, as well as potentially on the
3 national level. Recognition of nuclear's potential to help the state and nation
4 achieve meaningful greenhouse gas reductions would further support nuclear
5 generation and the Turkey Point 6 & 7 project. Additionally, the Obama
6 administration is re-evaluating options for fulfilling the government's
7 obligation to provide long term storage of spent nuclear fuel.

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9 At the state level, a number of draft bills have been considered in the State
10 legislatures that propose changes to the current Nuclear Cost Recovery (NCR)
11 rule. Should any legislation be passed that materially affects the regulatory
12 compact upon which the project is based, FPL would reevaluate the viability
13 of the project.

14 **Q. What current issues or challenges to the new Turkey Point nuclear units**
15 **project have arisen, and what are the potential impacts to the project**
16 **schedule and cost estimates?**

17 A. The following summarizes the current identified major problems or challenges
18 and potential impacts to project schedule and cost estimates.

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20 Legislation – A number of draft bills propose significant changes from the
21 current NCR rule have been under considered in the State legislature. This
22 activity has given FPL concern and indicates we should proceed cautiously.

1 Impacts of revised NCR may include increased project costs, increased risk of
2 recovery or both.

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4 Commercial Negotiations - FPL is negotiating with Westinghouse/Shaw
5 regarding the EP scope of supply and corresponding payment schedule. Due
6 to the unique contracting challenges presented by new nuclear deployment
7 and the current market, FPL may not obtain terms, conditions, scope and
8 payment schedules that represent an acceptable expenditure plan given the
9 economic, legislative, regulatory environment. Additionally, due to the
10 volatility of commodity prices, the contract pricing is sensitive to timing and
11 can increase or decrease. Impacts to schedule could range from executing an
12 EP scope of supply that supports the current schedule to a reduced scope of
13 supply that would result in increased risk to the project schedule. Impacts to
14 cost could range from an EP scope of supply that is below the current cost
15 estimate range to one that is above the cost estimate range provided in prior
16 filings. Tradeoffs between the competing objectives of low expenditures and
17 maintaining schedule will be considered. In other words, if expenditures
18 above current estimates are necessary to maintain schedule FPL would
19 evaluate whether or not those expenditures are warranted. A choice to
20 increase near term expenditures may or may not increase total project
21 delivered cost. Alternately, a lower early year spend may result in accepting a
22 schedule delay; however, that schedule delay may or may not increase the
23 total project delivered cost.

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2 Permitting Timeline - The state Power Plant Siting Act provides for a
3 statutory timeline for review and decision of an application. This timeline is
4 expected to be completed prior to either of the federal activities. State Site
5 Certification and any necessary Army Corps of Engineers wetland permits
6 would be required before the start of any site-clearing or construction
7 activities. The NRC Combined Operating License (or a Limited Work
8 Authorization) would be required before the start of any NRC jurisdictional
9 construction (Nuclear Safety related - plant basemat and above). The federal
10 permits and licenses (NRC and Army Corps of Engineers) are evaluated on a
11 non-statutory timeline. However, once the NRC COLA is docketed, a non-
12 binding schedule is produced that provides an estimate of when the milestones
13 in the licensing process would be completed. Beyond schedules there is the
14 opportunity for opposition during the application review processes that could
15 result in delay. Therefore, there is uncertainty as to when these permits and
16 licenses would be granted, but that uncertainty begins to decrease as the
17 review proceeds. It is difficult then to determine whether site preparation
18 activities (site clearing, access roads, preliminary fill activities) can be
19 initiated in a timeframe that supports the current projected schedule. Impacts
20 may include a shift in schedule and/or increased costs necessary to mobilize
21 resources to recover schedule. The state Site Certification process includes a
22 review of Land Use consistency that will be provided by Miami Dade County.
23 Should a determination be made that the proposed project is inconsistent the

1 project schedule could be impacted. Additionally, conditions of approval to
2 any of these licenses or permits may result in additional costs or schedule
3 impact.

4 **Q. What mitigation strategies are being developed or considered for each**
5 **challenge described above?**

6 A. The following discusses mitigation strategies:

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8 Legislation – FPL monitors and assesses draft legislation and considers its
9 potential impact upon ongoing projects.

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11 Commercial Negotiations - FPL is monitoring the progress of commercial
12 negotiations for projects that precede Turkey Point 6 & 7 and incorporating
13 the input that can be discerned from publicly available information. FPL has
14 developed a negotiation team that is working through EP scope, terms and
15 conditions, schedules and cost issues with Westinghouse/Shaw. This team is
16 communicating routinely with senior management to ensure guidance from
17 the highest levels of the company is available to support this effort.

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19 Permitting Timeline - FPL is monitoring the progress of licensing and
20 permitting activities for projects that precede Turkey Point 6 & 7 and
21 incorporating feedback from these projects that reduce the need for reviewing
22 agencies to request additional information. FPL is also routinely engaging
23 affected agencies and other stakeholders in discussions regarding the project

1 design in an effort to put forth the most complete applications, reducing
2 likelihood of unanticipated delays in the review process.

3 **Q. What portions of the project are directly impacted by the current**
4 **economic climate and what specific steps has FPL taken, or is FPL**
5 **considering based on this impact?**

6 A. The economic downturn presents opportunities and challenges for the
7 execution of the design, engineering and construction of the project. The
8 value of obtaining the licenses and permits necessary to construct and operate
9 a new nuclear plant has not been impacted so far, and in some ways may be
10 enhanced. Therefore, FPL intends to maintain activities that support progress
11 on the licensing and permitting of the project. These activities represent
12 expenditures with lasting value, providing an option to initiate the
13 construction at the most opportune time following receipt of project
14 approvals.

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16 Recognizing market trends, FPL was able to defer expenditures planned for
17 late 2008 (approximately \$35 million) until later in the project. Similarly,
18 FPL analyzed current 2009 and 2010 expenditures for opportunities that may
19 warrant a change to the planned expenditures in the Power Block Engineering
20 and Procurement area. FPL determined that the above issues, collectively,
21 indicate that the project should defer a large percentage of the expenditures on
22 the Engineering and Procurement contract ("EP expenditures", identified as
23 \$70.787 million in the Power Block Engineering and Procurement, line 7, of

1 P-6, Appendix II of the May 1, 2008 filing) while monitoring progress of the
2 three key issues; State legislation, commercial negotiations with
3 Westinghouse/Shaw and the licensing and permitting timeline. This decision
4 allows time to pursue activities that will increase clarity on key uncertainties
5 that impact the cost and schedule of the project prior to irreversible
6 expenditures for the EP contract.

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8 The decision to slow project EP expenditures does place pressure on the
9 project schedule as it increases the risk that FPL will have started engineering
10 and procurement activities in time to meet the target commercial operation
11 dates of 2018 and 2020. FPL has evaluated that the proposed approach
12 conservatively manages the EP expenditures during a time when significant
13 information will be developed that will inform the pace and direction of the
14 project. A more complete picture of all three areas will be available in the
15 fourth quarter of 2009. It is anticipated that legislative direction will be better
16 understood, the impacts of the economic downturn on commercial issues will
17 be further clarified. Importantly the acceptance reviews and initial
18 interactions on federal, state and local applications will be complete providing
19 the project with greater schedule clarity and certainty. During the course of
20 2009, FPL will also complete certain pre-construction planning activities that
21 will allow a better understanding of the construction timeline that follows
22 licensing and permitting. At that time, FPL will be better positioned to
23 determine the schedule of EP expenditures that best supports the overall

1 project schedule, including the fabrication of critical long lead components.
2 Should FPL require additional funds not included in this filing, these funds
3 will be identified in the 2009 true-up filing in March 2010.

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PROJECT ACTIVITIES

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7 **Q. What are the major activities of the Turkey Point 6 & 7 project for 2009**
8 **and 2010?**

9 A. The major project activities for the project in 2009 are related to the
10 completion and support of project license and permit applications at the local,
11 state and federal level. This involves over 100 engineers, environmental
12 specialists and other subject matter experts conducting numerous studies and
13 analyses to support the regulatory requirements for review by the various
14 licensing agencies. The studies involve field work, data analysis, modeling,
15 and consultation with a range of agencies. Bechtel Power Corporation
16 manages the primary contract for the production of the NRC COLA and
17 provides oversight services for the selected subcontractors developing the
18 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Permit Application the Site Certification
19 Application and other permit applications. FPL obtains legal advisory services
20 through selected national, state and local firms with expertise in these areas.
21 Westinghouse/Shaw is under contract to provide the necessary support to FPL
22 and Bechtel in the preparation of the COLA.

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1 Additionally, engineering and design activities are underway to support
2 construction planning and logistics. These activities are focused on
3 determining the sequence of construction given the regulatory, engineering
4 and logistical constraints. Black & Veatch/Zachry provides these services
5 under a direct contract to FPL.

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7 Commercial negotiations with Westinghouse/Shaw continue so as to define
8 the terms, scope, schedule and price for project management, engineering and
9 procurement services needed to support the next phase of the project. Upon
10 reaching an agreement that maintains an appropriate risk exposure for FPL
11 customers, the contract would provide project planning, management,
12 procurement and detailed design engineering in 2009 and 2010.

13 **Q. What are the key milestones in the Turkey Point 6 & 7 project schedule**
14 **for 2009 and 2010?**

15 A. The primary project milestones for 2009 are related to the submittal and
16 docketing/acceptance of the license and permit applications by their respective
17 regulatory authorities.

18 The COLA will be reviewed upon submittal for acceptability. If acceptable to
19 the NRC, the application is docketed and a schedule for review is produced.
20 Key activities in the review process include public notices to inform the public
21 about its opportunities to participate in the licensing process, environmental
22 scoping meetings where input is solicited to inform the NRC on the issues that
23 should be considered in their review and the initial steps in the environmental

1 and safety review processes. A major milestone in 2010 is the expected
2 publication of a draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). The Army
3 Corps of Engineers wetland permit applications will utilize the NRC produced
4 EIS as the basis of their review and will participate in the NRC EIS process as
5 a cooperating agency, following the NRC provided schedule.

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7 The Power Plant Siting Act (PPSA) delineates a statutory schedule by which
8 the Site Certification Application (SCA) is processed. This process begins
9 with a review of the submitted application to determine if it is complete, with
10 potential iterative cycles of questions and responses to obtain completeness.
11 Following completeness, public meetings and other agency activities are
12 directed at the production of various reports, culminating in the Florida
13 Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Project Analysis Report. A
14 certification hearing is then held resulting in a recommendation by the
15 Administrative Law Judge to the Siting Board. In parallel to the SCA review,
16 a Land Use proceeding is conducted culminating in a Land Use hearing for
17 the project. All PPSA activities are expected to be complete by the end of
18 2010.

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20 FPL will be pursuing engineering and construction planning activities that will
21 help define the sequence and logistical requirements for the construction
22 period. This body of work will allow FPL to develop a refined project
23 construction schedule that will be combined with the expected licensing and

1 permitting timeline to better establish the overall project schedule. As
2 indicated before, FPL will continue to pursue commercial negotiations to
3 obtain a refined cost estimate range for the project.

4 **Q. How does the current project schedule compare to the Milestone**
5 **Schedule provided as Exhibit SDS-5 to your testimony in FPL's Need**
6 **Determination Filing?**

7 A. The original schedule for the application submittals assumed an aggressive
8 fifteen (15) month schedule to prepare and submit the applications. Steady
9 progress was made toward this objective; however, several external events
10 occurred to cause project management to reevaluate this schedule. Changes
11 were scheduled to occur in late 2008 and early 2009 to both the Design
12 Certification Document for the AP-1000 and the reference COLA for the AP-
13 1000 (application submitted by TVA Bellefonte, i.e., the reference COLA).
14 Also, FPL learned the NRC had asked for additional information on
15 geological issues at the Progress Energy Levy site that would be similar at the
16 Turkey Point site. In order to preserve the projected review timeline of the
17 FPL COLA it is important that these changes and requests for additional
18 information are incorporated into the FPL COLA prior to submission, as
19 opposed to filing on the original schedule date and supplying supplemental
20 information at a later time. The deferral also allowed FPL to increase the
21 robustness of its outreach related to the siting of associated transmission
22 facilities. The net result of the decision changed the schedule for submission
23 of the applications from March 2009 to June 2009.

1 The impact of this three month shift on the Commercial Operation Date
2 (COD) is difficult to determine at this stage. However, it is certain that the
3 delay of three months to incorporate the information prior to submission will
4 reduce the requests for additional information by the NRC upon submission,
5 and will avoid disrupting the NRC review process with post-submittal
6 supplements on these topics. Given the evolving nature of the overall project
7 schedule, it is not possible to determine if this schedule change will materially
8 affect the target COD for either unit or if it would be the only factor in any
9 such delay.

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PROJECT COST AND FEASIBILITY

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13 **Q. Has FPL made any changes or revisions to the cost estimate range for the**
14 **project?**

15 **A. No change has been made to the overall project cost estimate range provided**
16 **in the Need Determination filing. However, considerable work is underway to**
17 **develop the basis for a revision to the cost estimate range. As described**
18 **above, negotiations continue with the primary vendors to determine the price**
19 **of the EP contract portion of the total project. FPL is approaching the**
20 **contracting process by engaging in EP contract negotiations, allowing the**
21 **construction contract negotiations to await completion of the detailed design,**
22 **thus allowing for a more certain construction cost estimate. Additionally,**
23 **FPL is undertaking significant design engineering activities for the**

1 surrounding site and transmission facilities that will result in refined costs in
2 these areas once project certification is obtained and engineering, procurement
3 and construction estimates can be developed.

4 **Q. Please provide an update of the analysis of the transmission facilities**
5 **needed to interconnect and integrate Turkey Point 6 & 7 to the**
6 **transmission grid.**

7 **A.** The latest system planning studies show that the following new transmission
8 lines will be needed: two new 500-kV transmission lines between the
9 proposed Clear Sky substation on the Turkey Point site and the existing Levee
10 substation in northern Miami-Dade County; a new 230-kV transmission line
11 between the proposed Clear Sky substation and the existing Pennsuco
12 substation in northern Miami-Dade County; a new 230-kV transmission line
13 between the proposed Clear Sky substation and the existing Turkey Point
14 substation which is also within FPL's Turkey Point property; and a 230-kV
15 transmission line connecting the proposed Clear Sky substation to the Davis
16 substation in southeast Miami-Dade County and the existing Miami substation
17 in downtown Miami. In addition, improvements or expansions will be
18 required at the Turkey Point, Davis, Miami, Levee, Pennsuco, Gratigny,
19 Andytown and Flagami substations. Ampacity upgrades (increases to the
20 electric current carrying capability) of several existing transmission lines and
21 breaker replacements at several substations will also be required.

22 **Q. What are the most current Turkey Point 6 & 7 economic analysis results?**

1 A. As discussed by FPL witness Sim, the most current feasibility analysis affirms
2 the cost effectiveness and benefits associated with the Turkey Point 6 & 7
3 project using the same approach applied in the Need Determination
4 proceeding for the project. The analysis calculated a projected “break-even”
5 cost for new nuclear; a cost that would result in the same lifecycle costs (or
6 cumulative present value of revenue requirements (CPVRR)) as an alternative
7 plan that relied on natural gas combined cycle units. The analysis was
8 conducted for nine scenarios comprised of three fuel and three emission cost
9 scenarios. The projected break-even costs were higher than FPL’s non-
10 binding cost estimate range in 8 of 9 scenarios. In the 9th scenario, the
11 projected break even cost was at the high (or favorable) end of the non-
12 binding cost estimate range.

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14 PRE-CONSTRUCTION COST REQUEST

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16 **Q. How are the 2009 actual/estimated costs and the 2010 projected costs**
17 **developed?**

18 A. As described earlier, FPL has a disciplined ground-up process to develop
19 project budgets. This process was used in the initial project budgeting activity
20 and is routinely reviewed and evaluated for adequacy and accuracy as
21 additional information becomes available. The estimates of the 2009
22 actual/estimated and 2010 projected costs were completed in accordance with
23 FPL’s budget and accounting guidelines and policies. Where services are

1 contracted, rate sheets are provided by the contractor and reviewed to verify
2 rates being charged are consistent with FPL experience in the broader
3 industry. The cost estimates were compared to other costs being incurred by
4 the company for similar activities and found to be reasonable.

5 **Q. Please provide a high level summary of the 2009 actual/estimated and the**
6 **2010 projected costs presented in this filing.**

7 A. The \$45.6 million of expenditures that are estimated for 2009 are primarily
8 related to the pursuit of licenses and permits for the project. Approximately
9 82% of all 2009 costs provide for the FPL staff and contractor support
10 necessary to produce, support and defend the various applications that will be
11 completed in June 2009 and enter a review period with the relevant agencies.
12 The balance of 2009 costs are estimated to be expended in engineering and
13 design activities that will help develop information necessary to create a
14 detailed project construction schedule and develop bid packages for specific
15 scopes of pre-construction work necessary to maintain project schedule.

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17 In 2010 it is projected that \$90.5 million of expenditures will be incurred to
18 support the continued review of the project applications and conduct pre-
19 construction engineering and design activities. Support of the licensing and
20 permitting activities will require approximately the same amount in 2010 as in
21 2009, however the engineering and design activities will increase representing
22 approximately 64% of the 2010 projected budget.

23 **Q. What changes may occur that could affect these cost projections?**

1 A. As discussed previously, the 2009 and 2010 budgets are based on estimates of
2 what will be required. Licensing and permitting support will take the form of
3 subject matter expertise, studies and analyses that agencies will require to
4 complete application reviews. While FPL will submit comprehensive
5 applications that meet the respective standards, experience indicates that
6 additional information may be requested. Budgets for this information have
7 been developed and included. Depending on the review process, the actual
8 costs may be lower or higher than provided for in the project budget.
9 Similarly, licensing and permitting expenditures in 2010 may be lower or
10 higher than estimated.

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12 Engineering and design expenditures will provide for the development of
13 detailed preconstruction information that will support the project planning and
14 procurement activities in subsequent phases. Resolution of key issues and
15 uncertainties will determine if the planned expenditures are appropriate for
16 any revisions to schedule that result. Information may be developed that
17 would warrant an increase or decrease in these expenditures.

18 **Q. Please summarize the costs included in this filing for Turkey Point 6&7**
19 **Pre-Construction activities.**

20 A. Schedule AE-6 of Appendix II presents the 2009 actual/estimated costs in the
21 following categories: Licensing (\$35,436,131); Permitting (\$1,951,150);
22 Engineering & Design (\$8,231,488); Long Lead Procurement (\$0); Power
23 Block Engineering & Procurement (\$21,893); and Transmission Engineering

1 (\$0). Schedule P-6 of Appendix II presents the 2010 projected costs in the
2 following categories: Licensing (\$29,778,705); Permitting (\$2,703,151);
3 Engineering & Design (\$58,025,409); Long Lead Procurement (\$0); Power
4 Block Engineering & Procurement (\$13,750); and Transmission Engineering
5 (\$1,209,600). Table 1 of Exhibit SDS-4 provides a summary of the
6 actual/estimated 2009 and projected 2010 Preconstruction costs. The
7 descriptions in the Exhibit SDS-4 tables are illustrative and not all inclusive.

8 **Q. What major differences are noted for the 2009 and 2010 project budget**
9 **when compared to FPL's prior filings?**

10 A. The primary difference is related to FPL's decision to defer expenditures
11 associated with an EP contract. In light of the key issues and uncertainties
12 described earlier in this testimony, FPL has chosen not to engage in a
13 committed price contract for major equipment and design activities. This
14 results in reducing the 2009 actual/estimated expenditures approximately \$64
15 million less than projected in the May 2008 filing.

16 **Q. Please describe the activities included in the Licensing category for the**
17 **2009 actual/estimated costs and the 2010 projected costs.**

18 A. For the period ending December 31, 2009, Licensing costs are projected to be
19 \$35,436,131 as shown on Line 3 of Schedule AE-6 of Appendix II. For the
20 period ending December 31, 2010, Licensing costs are projected to be
21 \$29,778,705 as shown on Line 3 of Schedule P-6 of Appendix II. Table 2 of
22 Exhibit SDS-4 provides a detailed breakdown of the Licensing subcategory
23 costs.

1 Licensing costs consist primarily of FPL employee and contractor labor and
2 specialty consulting services necessary to develop the various license and
3 permit applications required by the Turkey Point 6 & 7 project. The majority
4 of the licensing expenditures are a result of the federal COLA process. This
5 value is a combination of NNP team costs and Bechtel COLA team costs.
6 Costs for participation in the NuStart Consortium (with 2009 membership fees
7 of \$1.8 million) are included as they are necessary to support the COLA
8 activity. The license and permit applications contain project specific
9 information, assessments and studies required by various regulatory
10 authorities to support the reviews leading to decisions on the technical,
11 environmental and social acceptability of the project. Other licensing
12 activities include costs associated with the SCA, Army Corps of Engineers
13 permits and delegated programs such as Air and Underground Injection
14 Control. License and permitting costs are developed in accordance with
15 budget and accounting guidelines and policies. These permit and license
16 applications contain project specific information, assessments and studies that
17 are required by various regulatory authorities to support the reviews leading to
18 decisions on the technical, environmental and social acceptability of the
19 project. Some activities are common between applications, and therefore
20 offer opportunities to coordinate efforts and manage costs. Further, these cost
21 estimates were compared to FPL's recent extensive experience with the
22 development and permitting of new generation projects in Florida and found
23 to be reasonable.

1 **Q. What are the major differences between the 2009 actual/estimated values**
2 **and those projected in the May 2008 filing for the Licensing category?**

3 A. The differences in this category are a result of the project decision to shift the
4 application submittal dates later by three months and incur additional costs
5 associated with including information requested by the NRC upon review of
6 the Progress Levy 1 & 2 project COLA. The information requested is
7 applicable to Turkey Point 6 & 7 COLA and is necessary in order for FPL to
8 submit a complete application. Due to the schedule change, certain costs were
9 not incurred in 2008 actuals, providing an offset on a total project cost basis to
10 these increases of approximately \$4 million that was budgeted in 2008, but
11 deferred into 2009.

12 **Q. Please describe the activities in the Permitting category for the 2009**
13 **actual/estimated costs and the 2010 projected costs.**

14 A. For the period ending December 31, 2009, Permitting costs are projected to be
15 \$1,951,150 as shown on Line 4 of Schedule AE-6 of Appendix II. For the
16 period ending December 31, 2010, Permitting costs are projected to be
17 \$2,703,151 as shown on Line 4 of Schedule P-6 of Appendix II. Table 3 of
18 Exhibit SDS-4 provides a detailed breakdown of the Permitting subcategory
19 costs, including a description of items included within each category.

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21 Permitting fees consist of expenditures for Project Development management
22 and public outreach/education. Marketing and Communications department
23 supports the project by ensuring that the project information is prepared,

1 reviewed and available for distribution to media, customers and key
2 stakeholders. Outreach is a vital process to inform stakeholders of the project
3 and educate the public with regard to the many processes where they can be
4 involved. The outreach activity involves hosting informational events and
5 providing information on the project through a variety of media platforms.
6 FPL experience has demonstrated a proactive outreach and education
7 approach facilitates a sharing of concerns and perspectives improving the
8 overall project. Expenses in this category include personnel dedicated to
9 supporting the many project outreach activities, external contractors who
10 provide specific services (e.g., graphic arts, polling, or other media services),
11 and printing of mailing and collateral materials. Development costs in 2009
12 include three personnel: myself, a Project Director and a Project Manager.
13 Legal expenditures provide necessary support to activities for all permitting
14 and project interactions. Legal support expenditures are necessary to support
15 the timely preparation, submission, and review of issues associated with the
16 project at the local, state and federal agency levels.

17 **Q. Please describe the activities in the Engineering & Design category for the**
18 **2009 actual/estimated costs and the 2010 projected costs.**

19 A. The Engineering & Design activities performed in 2009 and 2010 are required
20 to support the overall Turkey Point 6&7 schedule. For the period ending
21 December 31, 2009, Engineering & Design costs are projected to be
22 \$8,231,488 as shown on Line 5 of Schedule AE-6 of Appendix II. For the
23 period ending December 31, 2010, Engineering & Design costs are projected

1 to be \$58,025,409 as shown on Line 5 of Schedule P-6 of Appendix II. Table
2 4 of Exhibit SDS-4 provides a detailed breakdown of the Engineering &
3 Design subcategory costs, including a description of items included within
4 each category.

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6 Engineering and Design costs consist primarily of FPL employee and
7 engineering consulting services necessary to develop the construction
8 execution plan for the Turkey Point 6 & 7 project. Engineering and Design
9 expenditures consist primarily of anticipated payments to qualified
10 engineering firms supporting preliminary engineering and detailed site
11 specific design of the project. Preconstruction engineering and design
12 services are necessary to define the project to the level of detail necessary to
13 support the creation of a detailed project construction schedule and the
14 development of bid packages to support specific preconstruction activities.
15 The pre-construction activities will include site layout, balance of plant
16 design, and integration with existing site utilities and new infrastructure
17 services required by the project. These include water supply, wastewater,
18 transmission and support facilities. FPL engaged Black & Veatch/Zachry to
19 undertake the initial 2008-2009 pre-construction planning activities and has
20 not yet selected a vendor for the 2010 portion.

21
22 Costs for participation in industry groups include the EPRI Advanced Nuclear
23 Technology working group (with annual fees of \$275,000), the Design

1 Centered Working Group (DCWG) (no charge to participate in this group),
2 and APOG fee was a \$50,000 initial capital contribution in consideration of
3 20% interest in the group. These costs are necessary to obtain the benefits of
4 membership described earlier in this testimony.

5 **Q. Please describe the activities in the Long Lead Procurement category for**
6 **the 2009 actual/estimated costs and the 2010 projected costs.**

7 A. For the period ending December 31, 2009, Long Lead Procurement costs are
8 projected to be \$0 as shown on Line 6 of Schedule AE-6 of Appendix II.
9 Future Long Lead Procurement costs are anticipated to be included in the
10 Power Block Engineering and Design cost category.

11 **Q. Please describe the activities in the Power Block Engineering and**
12 **Procurement category for the 2009 actual/estimated costs and the 2010**
13 **projected costs.**

14 A. For the period ending December 31, 2009, Power Block Engineering and
15 Procurement costs are projected to be \$21,893 as shown on Line 7 of
16 Schedule AE-6 of Appendix II. For the period ending December 31, 2010,
17 Power Block Engineering and Procurement costs are projected to be \$13,750
18 as shown on Line 7 of Schedule P-6 of Appendix II.

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20 Power Block Engineering and Procurement actual/estimated costs in 2009
21 consist solely of FPL payroll and expenses supporting negotiations with
22 Westinghouse/Shaw. FPL is currently negotiating the scope, terms and

1 conditions associated with an EP contract with Westinghouse/Shaw that will
2 be one of the defining commercial documents for the project.

3 **Q. What are the major differences between the 2009 actual/estimated values**
4 **and those projected in the May 2008 filing for the Power Block**
5 **Engineering and Procurement category?**

6 A. A difference of \$70,765,252 is shown for Power Block Engineering and
7 Procurement as a result of strategic decisions regarding the pursuit of the EP
8 contract discussed earlier in this testimony.

9 **Q. Please describe the activities in the Transmission Engineering category**
10 **for the 2009 actual/estimated costs and the 2010 projected costs.**

11 A. For the period ending December 31, 2009, Transmission Engineering
12 expenditures are projected to be \$0 as shown on Line 25 of Schedule AE-6 of
13 Appendix II. For the period ending December 31, 2010, Transmission
14 Engineering expenditures are projected to be \$1,209,600 as shown on Line 25
15 of Schedule P-6 of Appendix II.

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17 All 2009 costs associated with Transmission planning are related to the
18 licensing and permitting activities, and therefore are appropriately included in
19 those categories, described above. Activities are projected to move from the
20 planning stage to detailed engineering of the transmission improvements.
21 These Transmission Engineering expenditures are projected to begin in 2010.

22 **Q. Does this conclude your direct testimony?**

23 A. Yes.

TESTIMONY OF STEVEN D. SCROGGS, MAY 1, 2009

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21	11	"Single Source" to "Competitively Bid"
32	"Brief Description of Selection Process"	"Single Source" to "Competitively Bid"

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1	1	"NuStart Consortium, LLC" to "NuStart Energy Development"

1 BY MR. ANDERSON:

2 Q. You're sponsoring some exhibits?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. For your March testimony, these are SDS-1
5 through SDS-9?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. For May, it is SDS-1 to SDS-4; is that right?

8 A. That's correct.

9 MR. ANDERSON: Mr. Chairman, these have been
10 premarked on staff's Comprehensive Exhibit List as staff
11 4 to 12 and 13 to 16.

12 CHAIRMAN CARTER: For the record, 4 through 12
13 and 13 through 16 on the Comprehensive Exhibit List.
14 You may proceed.

15 (Exhibits Number 4 through 16 were identified
16 for the record.)

17 BY MR. ANDERSON:

18 Q. Have you prepared a summary of your testimony?

19 A. Yes, I have.

20 Q. Please provide your summary to the Commission.

21 A. Thank you. Mr. Chairman and Commissioners, I
22 appreciate the opportunity to come before you today.

23 The purpose of my testimony is to describe the
24 activities associated with FPL's management of the
25 Turkey Point 6 and 7 project from its inception to

1 present and the plans for the project through the end of
2 2010. My testimony describes the progress made and how
3 key decisions are addressed through the deliberate,
4 stepwise process FPL is employing to create Turkey Point
5 6 and 7. My testimony, the exhibits, and the Nuclear
6 Filing Requirements I sponsor will provide the
7 Commission with information necessary to validate that
8 FPL's actual costs through 2008 have been prudently
9 incurred and that FPL's projected costs for 2009 and
10 2010 are reasonable.

11 Further, my testimony will support the
12 conclusions of the annual feasibility analysis that
13 indicate that the project continues to offer the
14 benefits of cost-effectiveness, increased energy
15 independence, fuel diversity, and reduced greenhouse gas
16 emissions that led to your original affirmative need
17 determination.

18 The management of the project can be
19 summarized as a series of key decisions that establish
20 the pace and the risk of the project. To formulate
21 those decisions, FPL continually collects and evaluates
22 information and weighs the risk of acting as opposed to
23 taking no action.

24 For example, during 2008, FPL identified the
25 Westinghouse AP-1000 as the preferred technology and

1 pursued commercial negotiations with Westinghouse/Shaw
2 Stone & Webster to develop a mutually agreeable scope,
3 schedule, terms, and price for the construction of the
4 project. By continually evaluating the market, it was
5 identified that FPL should act to obtain a critical
6 reservation on manufacturing space for certain key
7 forgings, but it did not need to spend \$35 million on
8 other long lead procurement items.

9 It was also as the result of this process that
10 FPL determined it was in the best interests of our
11 customers to defer entering into a purchase contract and
12 to maintain the option for competitive bidding on future
13 construction scope. While not precluding a combined
14 engineering, procurement and construction contract, the
15 strategy of pursuing an EP contract first creates an
16 important option for our customers.

17 Throughout the course of the project, FPL has
18 employed industry-leading project controls and
19 procedures to ensure that expenditures are appropriate
20 and competitive. We have acted when it was appropriate
21 to act, and we have chosen not to act when circumstances
22 indicated that was appropriate. All the while, we have
23 continued to make solid progress towards the project
24 goals. Such adaptive project management is the result
25 of the stepwise, deliberate approach necessary to

1 maintain progress and manage risk.

2 I am confident that you will agree that the
3 Turkey Point 6 and 7 project is being managed in a
4 responsible manner, decisions are reasonable, costs are
5 being prudently incurred, and that the very benefits
6 which started us on this endeavor have not changed and
7 now are as important as ever. FPL customers benefit
8 every day from the low fuel costs and zero greenhouse
9 gas emissions that are a result of nuclear generation
10 decisions made some 40 years ago. Continued application
11 of the nuclear cost recovery clause will allow future
12 customers to enjoy these same benefits.

13 This completes my summary.

14 MR. ANDERSON: Mr. Scroggs is available for
15 cross-examination, Mr. Chair.

16 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Thank you. Mr. McGlothlin.

17 MR. MCGLOTHLIN: OPC will reserve its
18 questions for later.

19 CHAIRMAN CARTER: I beg your pardon?

20 MR. MCGLOTHLIN: OPC has no questions at the
21 present.

22 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Are you guys going to do
23 like we did last week? Is that a new lineup? Is that
24 the plan, Mr. Moyle, or what's the plan here?

25 MR. MOYLE: We're coming straight down the

1 line.

2 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Oh, straight down the line?

3 Oh, that's great.

4 MR. DAVIS: I'm prepared to go, sir.

5 CHAIRMAN CARTER: You're recognized. You may
6 proceed.

7 MR. DAVIS: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

8 CROSS-EXAMINATION

9 BY MR. DAVIS:

10 Q. Mr. Scroggs, would you agree that the addition
11 of FP&L Turkey Point 6 and 7 would more than double the
12 rate base for FP&L?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. And that was one important reason for FP&L to
15 decide to invest in these new units; correct?

16 A. No. The drivers for new nuclear in our
17 portfolio is to maintain a balance of fuel, to provide
18 fuel diversity, to continue to reduce greenhouse gas
19 emissions, and more importantly, to provide
20 cost-effective, stably priced electricity for our
21 customers.

22 Q. You don't agree it was one reason to invest?

23 A. Our resource planning process doesn't look at
24 the capital input to the process. It tells us what is
25 the best choices through a very objective process.

1 MR. DAVIS: Mr. Chair, I have not appeared
2 before this Commission before, and I hope I get your
3 procedures correct.

4 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Hang on a sec. Now, you've
5 got a red -- red is always not necessarily good. It's
6 certainly not bad, but red is different. Is that a
7 confidential --

8 MR. DAVIS: It is, Mr. Chair.

9 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Okay. Have all the parties
10 -- you have not appeared before us before, but have all
11 the parties gotten together on the handling of
12 confidential documents? Mr. Anderson?

13 MR. ANDERSON: I'll ask Ms. Cano to list the
14 parties that have signed agreements, so if there's to be
15 a distribution, it should be limited only to people who
16 have signed the confidentiality agreement.

17 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Okay. All right. Staff,
18 have you talked to the parties about handling
19 confidential documents before? Let's do --

20 MR. YOUNG: At the prehearing we did talk
21 about it, and it was included in the Prehearing Order.

22 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Let's do this,
23 Commissioners. Let's take five minutes and let staff
24 get with the parties before we go down this road on our
25 confidential documents. We're just on a brief recess.

1 (Short recess.)

2 CHAIRMAN CARTER: We are back on the record.
3 And when we took a break, there was an opportunity for
4 the parties to get together and look over the documents,
5 and let us proceed with our cross-examination.

6 MR. JACOBS: Mr. Chairman, just one moment. I
7 think we're narrowing down our scope of inquiry so that
8 we can alleviate all the concerns.

9 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Okay, Mr. Jacobs.

10 (Off the record briefly.)

11 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Mr. Anderson.

12 MR. ANDERSON: Mr. Chairman, as you know, the
13 usual process is for people to share things in advance
14 so we can just do the type of review we did, and none of
15 us had a chance to do that because that wasn't put in
16 front of us. But what we did do is verify with counsel
17 that there are two specific pages, one in one exhibit
18 and one in another, that he wishes to interrogate with
19 respect.

20 Those specific pages, we do not have a problem
21 with interrogation or being even not confidential if
22 counsel chooses. There are other portions of the
23 exhibit which do raise considerations, but the
24 individual pages counsel has specified we're okay with,
25 and we think it will make the hearing go better. Does

1 that make sense?

2 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Okay. Let's stay on course.
3 You're recognized. You may proceed.

4 MR. DAVIS: Thank you, Mr. Chair.

5 BY MR. DAVIS:

6 Q. Mr. Scroggs, do you have what we've marked as
7 Exhibit 131, which would be a SACE cross-examination
8 exhibit?

9 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Do you need a number for
10 that?

11 MR. DAVIS: Yes.

12 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Okay. You haven't been with
13 us before, so whenever you have a document, if you're
14 going to use it for cross-examination, it may not be
15 necessary, but if you're going to want to eventually try
16 to enter it in, you need to get a number from the Chair.

17 MR. DAVIS: Okay. Mr. Chair, we would like
18 this exhibit which we've provided to the Chair and to
19 the Commissioners to be --

20 CHAIRMAN CARTER: It will be Exhibit Number
21 131, Commissioners. Short title?

22 MR. DAVIS: A short title would be Turkey
23 Point 6 and 7 Risk Committee Presentation I.

24 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Okay. Turkey Point 6 and 7
25 Risk Committee Presentation I. You may proceed.

1 MR. DAVIS: Thank you.

2 (Exhibit Number 131 was marked for
3 identification.)

4 BY MR. DAVIS:

5 Q. Mr. Scroggs, do you have Exhibit 131 in front
6 of you now?

7 A. Yes, sir, I do.

8 Q. And if I ask you -- first of all, the cover
9 page -- this Turkey Point 6 and 7 Risk Committee
10 Presentation I, did you make this presentation?

11 A. I participated in it, yes, sir.

12 Q. Your name is on this cover sheet; is that
13 correct?

14 A. Yes, it is.

15 Q. And that was dated June 25, 2008?

16 A. That's correct.

17 Q. And what was the Risk Committee?

18 A. The Risk Committee is a multifunctional group
19 within FPL that brings together senior managers and
20 directors to provide an independent look at all projects
21 that are under way in the company. It gives us the
22 ability to obtain perspectives and the benefit of
23 information from managers that have different
24 requirements or different duties than ours. It gives us
25 a peer group review.

1 Q. Is it go/no go decision-maker within FP&L?

2 A. Not necessarily, no, sir.

3 Q. Do they provide recommendations to that
4 effect?

5 A. Yes, sir, they do.

6 Q. And do those recommendations go to the board?

7 A. Yes, sometimes they do go to the board.

8 Q. Now, on page 9 of Exhibit 131 -- and you'll
9 notice I didn't include all the pages from this lengthy
10 presentation, but page 9, do you have that in front you?

11 A. Yes, sir, I do.

12 Q. And the caption of that is "Reasons to
13 Invest"; is that correct?

14 A. That's correct.

15 Q. And one of the reasons to invest under
16 economic factors is that Turkey Point 6 and 7 is likely
17 to more than double the rate base; right?

18 A. That is correct.

19 Q. So that would correct your previous testimony
20 when you said that was not one of the factors?

21 A. If I could clarify, I believe the earlier
22 question was, in the resource planning and selection of
23 the process, was the doubling of the rate base or the
24 size of the project a factor. In our resource planning
25 process, which witness Sim can speak to more directly,

1 that is not a factor.

2 Q. I understand that. Doubling the rate base,
3 though, would increase FP&L's revenues tremendously,
4 would it not?

5 A. Yes, sir, and it will also introduce risk, as
6 many have pointed out.

7 Q. Okay. Now, during Mr. Anderson's opening,
8 which I believe you were here for, he mentioned that the
9 bill, the average monthly bill for consumers in 2010
10 would increase by 67 cents a month, I believe. Is that
11 what you understand?

12 A. The average bill for our customers in 2010
13 will be approximately 67 cents as related to both the
14 Turkey Point 6 and 7 project and the extended power
15 uprate. So the impact of both projects contribute 67
16 cents to the average customer's bill.

17 Q. For Turkey Point 6 and 7, is there a separate
18 number that was provided to the staff in an
19 interrogatory answer that you're aware of?

20 A. I believe that probably has been provided, but
21 I don't have that in front me.

22 Q. Okay. Are you aware of higher numbers as the
23 years proceed from 2010 onward, such as in 2011 that the
24 average monthly bill for a 1,000 kilowatt-hour usage
25 would increase by \$3.60?

1 A. Yes, that would be the natural progression.
2 As the project moves forward and additional moneys are
3 spent, the increase will be proportionally higher.

4 Q. And in 2017, which is still before there's any
5 electricity being generated by Turkey Point 6 and 7,
6 assuming it proceeds according to plan, there would be a
7 \$7.87 increase in the monthly bill; correct?

8 A. That would be the amount attributable to this
9 project in our estimate, yes, sir.

10 Q. Now, this is in addition to the base rate
11 increase that FP&L is now seeking in a separate docket;
12 correct?

13 A. That's correct. It's independent.

14 Q. Now, back to reasons to invest, not
15 necessarily the exhibit that we've referred to, but FP&L
16 would not be building Turkey Point 6 and 7 without the
17 nuclear cost recovery clause, would it?

18 A. We would not be entering into this project
19 without the benefits of the nuclear cost recovery
20 process, yes, sir.

21 Q. And that's because the cost recovery provision
22 reduces the risk to FP&L?

23 A. The cost recovery -- yes, the cost recovery
24 reduces risk. It also provides a pay-as-you-go
25 opportunity rather than deferring that and building up

1 costs for our customers. So it's a better deal for our
2 customers.

3 Q. Let me turn your attention to the analysis of
4 long-term feasibility just a minute, which you've spoken
5 about in your direct testimony. You agree that the
6 annual detailed analysis of long-term feasibility of the
7 Turkey Point 6 and 7 project should include an analysis
8 of economic feasibility?

9 A. Yes, sir, I do.

10 Q. As a matter of fact, FP&L uses the feasibility
11 analysis as a mitigation strategy to reduce the risk
12 that market trends may change the economics; is that
13 right?

14 A. I'm not sure if I understand your question,
15 sir.

16 Q. Well, do you find the feasibility analysis a
17 useful tool for your own decision-making?

18 A. Yes, sir. The feasibility analysis is an
19 extension of our normal resource planning process and is
20 a basis of the need determination and is the basis of
21 our ongoing evaluation of the project.

22 Q. But in this feasibility analysis that you
23 presented to the Commission, you have not revised the
24 project costs since 2007; correct?

25 A. We have not needed to revise the project costs

1 since 2007. Our project costs are very representative
2 of where we believe them to be, and in comparison to
3 other AP-1000 projects throughout the Southeast, we find
4 that our project cost estimate, particularly the high
5 end, is quite representative of the projects that have
6 already entered into EPC contracts and have the benefit
7 of a contract to re-evaluate their costs.

8 Q. Now, when you talk about the project costs, I
9 believe that the numbers are 12.1 to 17.8 billion; is
10 that correct?

11 A. That's the cost estimate range, yes, sir.

12 Q. So I'm going to use 12 to 18, because that's
13 what people have been throwing around as numbers. Is
14 that okay?

15 A. Yes, sir.

16 Q. You know, a billion here, a billion there,
17 pretty soon it's real money. You agree that 12 billion
18 to 18 billion is quite a range, a wide range?

19 A. Twelve to 18 billion is a wide range, yes,
20 sir.

21 Q. I mean, if you took the midpoint of that as
22 15 billion, there's a variation of 20 percent either
23 way; right?

24 A. That's correct.

25 Q. You've now said, I believe, in response to my

1 prior question that the high end is more in line now
2 with what other utilities are estimating and projecting
3 for their cost of building nuclear power plants,
4 particularly the AP-1000?

5 A. The upper half of the range, yes, sir.

6 Q. Well, shouldn't you shift the whole range,
7 then, and analyze the new range rather than just assume
8 that the 18 billion is your new number?

9 A. No. I believe -- you know, this is an very
10 long-term project. When FPL originally developed our
11 cost estimate range, we did it without the influence of
12 commercial interests. We took a very academic look at
13 the cost estimate process. We built into the process a
14 number of assumptions for high material costs, premiums
15 for labor, and in doing so, we provided ourselves a
16 range that we felt was comfortable. At the time, it was
17 actually considered quite shocking and quite high.

18 As time has progressed, things will change.
19 Production cost indices that drive the material costs
20 were rapidly escalating in 2008 and have since turned
21 and are moderating. So over time, those ranges that
22 produce the cost estimate will fluctuate.

23 Our purpose and our need to evaluate routinely
24 whether or not that cost estimate range is still valid
25 and produces a cost estimate that is suitable for use in

1 the feasibility analysis, that's the kind of review that
2 we've done, and that's why we felt that our cost
3 estimate range is still very valid and suitable for use
4 in the feasibility analysis.

5 Q. And what you used in the feasibility analysis
6 was a low, medium, and high range; right?

7 A. It works out that way, yes, sir.

8 Q. And the high was still 18 billion. You didn't
9 shift the high to 21 billion, which if you were shifting
10 the whole range you would go to?

11 A. No. That's correct.

12 Q. And you intend to re-evaluate the costs in the
13 near future; right?

14 A. We are routinely evaluating the costs as we
15 work through negotiations with Westinghouse/Shaw.

16 Q. What's the time frame now for an EP contract
17 with Westinghouse/Sharp?

18 A. We're looking at --

19 Q. Shaw, I mean.

20 A. Our decision process would be -- we need to
21 make a decision before the end of 2009.

22 Q. I believe I read the third quarter of 2009,
23 you're going to have an EP contract with
24 Westinghouse/Shaw; is that right?

25 A. That's not what I said, sir. We need to make

1 a decision before the end of 2009. We may or may not
2 enter into an EP contract.

3 Q. Okay. But if you do enter into an EP
4 contract, then, of course, you'll have much better
5 numbers for the costs?

6 A. Yes, sir.

7 Q. Now, those costs aren't going down, are they?

8 A. Some costs have been going down. The Producer
9 Price Index and other materials indices have moderated
10 since 2008.

11 Q. But the cost of components for nuclear power
12 plants is still going up?

13 A. The cost of components we have not seen come
14 down with the indices.

15 Q. Let me talk about the schedule for a minute.
16 The original schedule for the application submittals for
17 your NRC combined operating license assumed an
18 aggressive 15-month schedule; is that right?

19 A. That's correct.

20 Q. And that was your schedule to prepare and
21 submit the applications, and you've slipped that three
22 months already?

23 A. That's correct. We were able to benefit from
24 preceding AP-1000 applications and understand that the
25 NRC had numerous questions about geology and

1 hydrogeology with the Progress Levy site. That has
2 similar geological issues to our site, and instead of
3 submitting an incomplete or insufficient combined
4 operating license application, we were able to extend
5 the time to deliver that and deliver a much better
6 product, a much more complete product.

7 Q. But those geological issues have not been
8 resolved for Progress Levy nor for FP&L at this point;
9 right?

10 A. The additional information that the NRC was
11 requesting from Progress was enumerated, and we were
12 able to capture that information in our base
13 application. So by doing so, we essentially avoided a
14 delay during the review process by submitting a more
15 complete application.

16 Q. And you don't know yet whether or not the
17 geological issues that you share in common with Progress
18 Levy will cause further delays?

19 A. We are certainly looking to the NRC to provide
20 their docketing schedule, but last week they did provide
21 a sufficiency letter indicating that our application was
22 sufficient to begin their review.

23 Q. Have they given you that schedule yet?

24 A. No, sir.

25 Q. Have they given you any indication of what the

1 schedule will be?

2 A. We understand that a schedule would be
3 provided to us in probably mid to late October, and we
4 have no more specific information as to what the actual
5 schedule would be. We expect them to be consistent with
6 past schedules they've issued.

7 Q. Now, you had an aggressive schedule before the
8 three-month slippage. Is it even more aggressive now?

9 A. No, sir.

10 Q. You didn't change the end date, in other
11 words?

12 A. No, sir.

13 Q. Now, in terms of the cost impacts, you haven't
14 determined the impact of that three-month shift on the
15 overall project cost, have you?

16 A. No. That would be difficult to determine.
17 But as I stated, because we believe it saves us review
18 time when the NRC is actually looking at our
19 application, we think that that puts us in the best
20 position to get the most expeditious review from the
21 NRC.

22 Q. Is it expeditious for the NRC to take what has
23 been from June until September to give you a sufficiency
24 letter? I thought they reacted much faster than that.

25 A. Our submittal was June 30th, so in fact, it's

1 been just a little over seven weeks, and that has been a
2 fairly common interval for a sufficiency letter.

3 Q. And you're still not going to get a schedule
4 until October, though?

5 A. That's correct. And again, that's consistent
6 with the Progress project and others that have gone
7 before.

8 Q. Now, you know, the Progress project applied
9 for a limited work authorization as part of their COL.
10 You're familiar with that; right?

11 A. Yes, sir.

12 Q. And that limited work authorization was
13 denied, at least in part because of the geological
14 issues that the Progress Levy site has; right?

15 A. That's my understanding, yes, sir.

16 Q. So FP&L has applied for a limited work
17 authorization as part of its COL; correct?

18 A. That's correct.

19 Q. And do you expect that the geological issues
20 are going to be of concern to NRC as part of that LWA?

21 A. I think that's a part of the initial
22 discussions that the NRC is going to be looking at when
23 they develop their schedule. We developed the LWA early
24 in the process because of the option it may provide to
25 start some construction components early. If that

1 option turns out not to be realistic or not to be to the
2 overall schedule's benefit, then we would not pursue
3 that LWA.

4 Q. Well, if you pursue it and it's denied, that
5 would cause further schedule slippage; correct?

6 A. Not necessarily. The LWA is simply a way in
7 which the application is organized for the NRC, asking
8 the NRC to review certain sections of the application
9 first. It doesn't add new application material. It
10 just would change the sequence in which they would
11 review them. That's part of the discussion that we're
12 having with the NRC now as they develop their schedule.

13 Q. The NRC's schedule with regard to the AP-1000
14 reactor is also slipping, is it not?

15 A. I believe that they're in a design change
16 review and that that is experiencing some delays, yes,
17 sir.

18 Q. And so the original design of the AP-1000
19 submitted to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission was
20 design 0; right?

21 A. The actual first application was -- included
22 design changes through design change 15.

23 Q. Okay. Well, now they're on design change 17;
24 is that right?

25 A. That's correct.

1 Q. And that is nowhere in sight for approval at
2 this point because of the failure of Westinghouse/Shaw
3 to provide important information to the NRC about a
4 component of the reactor cooling system called the sump;
5 right?

6 A. I understand that there are some challenges in
7 Westinghouse providing information. And I'll point out
8 that that's, you know, exactly why FPL has positioned
9 our project at this stage in the industry, so that we
10 can see how these things proceed, so that we can make
11 decisions in terms of the pace that we pursue the
12 project, and that those decisions can maintain progress
13 towards licensing, but not provide a high risk of
14 exposure to our customers.

15 MR. DAVIS: Mr. Chair, I have a exhibit I
16 would like to --

17 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Okay. Number 132. Short
18 title?

19 MR. DAVIS: The short title is "NRC letter to
20 Westinghouse, August 27, 2009."

21 (Exhibit Number 132 was marked for
22 identification.)

23 CHAIRMAN CARTER: You may proceed.

24 MR. DAVIS: Thank you, Mr. Chair.

25 BY MR. DAVIS:

1 Q. Mr. Scroggs, you had mentioned you were aware
2 of the information contained in this August 27, 2009
3 letter from Mr. David Matthews, Director of the Division
4 of New Reactor Licensing with the Nuclear Regulatory
5 Commission, to Robert Sisk. Are you familiar with the
6 delays that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission is stating
7 that will occur as a result of Westinghouse's failure to
8 provide adequate information with its revision 17
9 application?

10 A. I'm familiar with the existence of this letter
11 through a media article. I have not read the letter
12 itself.

13 Q. Florida Power & Light is on the mailing list
14 for the Westinghouse correspondence with the Nuclear
15 Regulatory Commission; correct?

16 A. Yes. Our new nuclear project licensing team
17 is in charge of that, yes, sir.

18 Q. So basically, you're aware then that the
19 Nuclear Regulatory Commission is stating that its prior
20 schedule for -- I believe you called them key milestones
21 for its review of Westinghouse's application -- no
22 longer applies?

23 A. Are you asking me a question about this
24 specific letter?

25 Q. Yes. I mean, are you aware that the key

1 milestones that FP&L has relied upon for NRC's approval
2 of the Westinghouse AP-1000 reactor design, revision 17,
3 no longer applies?

4 A. I don't know that that's the result of this
5 letter. I know that they're talking about delays and
6 that, as with all project processes, delays generally
7 are revisions to schedule, not total dismissal of
8 schedule.

9 Q. And you're also aware that the Nuclear
10 Regulatory Commission has changed its so-called
11 reference combined operating license application from
12 what had previously been the Tennessee Valley Authority
13 Bellefonte project to the Georgia -- I'm sorry, Southern
14 Vogtle project; right?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. That's going to cause further delays; correct?

17 A. It may or may or may not. In fact, the
18 Tennessee Valley Authority project was sponsored by the
19 NuStart Group to get things moving. The Southern Vogtle
20 plant seems to be positioned to be in a better position
21 to move to construction, so I would say that that is a
22 wise choice by the organization to move to the Southern
23 plant.

24 Let me just say that this approach and the
25 concerns that are being identified by schedule delays

1 with the NRC is exactly the type of thing that FPL has
2 envisioned. And in our approach, having a stepwise
3 approach where we can make decisions through continual
4 monitoring of the regulatory process and the commercial
5 process and control the amount of exposure, maintain
6 progress towards licensing, but not take on undue risk,
7 is exactly the type of issues that we've envisioned and
8 why we are monitoring and managing our project in that
9 way.

10 Q. I'll come back to that stepwise process you
11 described in a few minutes, but when you first started
12 the project, applications for licenses, et cetera, back
13 in 2008, you envisioned signing an EP contract in March
14 of 2009; right?

15 A. That's correct. That was the original plan.

16 Q. And now I believe you said that you will
17 decide whether or not to sign one by the end of 2009?

18 A. That's correct.

19 Q. So that's a nine-month slippage in your
20 schedule from the beginning at this point; right?

21 A. That's correct.

22 Q. So you've had both the application slippage
23 and the EP contract slippage. Those are two major
24 slippages at this point, but you haven't changed your
25 ultimate schedule?

1 A. No. We have accepted that there's more risk
2 to whether or not we attain that schedule. As my
3 testimony describes, there's three areas that we're
4 looking at. We want to make sure that we understand
5 legislation and energy policy issues, we're going to
6 make sure that we pursue the best commercial deal for
7 our customers, and we're going to be watching the
8 regulatory process to determine what the schedules for
9 review of our permit applications will be before we, you
10 know, take on additional costs of entering into an EP or
11 an EPC contract, because it basically allows us to
12 understand with better information, more current
13 information, what the true schedule is and what our
14 appropriate investment to get to the next stage should
15 be.

16 Q. Well, let's talk about the activities that
17 you're seeking the ratepayers to pay for for 2009 and
18 2010. You've talked about those as being licensing and
19 permitting. Are those two general categories?

20 A. In 2009, it's largely licensing and
21 permitting. In 2010, it's about 40 percent licensing
22 and permitting and 60 percent engineering and design
23 activities.

24 Q. And there's going to be detailed site-specific
25 design, preliminary engineering, and procurement

1 activities necessary to meet the project schedule in
2 2010; is that right?

3 A. That's correct.

4 Q. Now, that could require this EP contract; is
5 that right?

6 A. That's absolutely correct.

7 Q. The contract with Westinghouse/Shaw. And if
8 that contract is required, those expenses would rise
9 dramatically, would they not, from what you have
10 estimated going forward?

11 A. Could you restate your question, sir?

12 Q. Yes. You have said that you could end up
13 signing an EP contract in 2009 or 2010. You've
14 estimated your expenses for 2009 to be 45.6 million and
15 for 2010, 90.5 million. Do those numbers --

16 A. Those numbers are correct, yes, sir.

17 Q. Do either of those two numbers include the
18 cost of signing an EP contract with Westinghouse/Shaw?

19 A. Yes. Specifically, the 2010 estimate includes
20 \$58 million for engineering and design that is
21 envisioned to be part of the initial stages of an EP
22 contract.

23 Q. Part, but what would the rest be if you sign
24 that contract?

25 A. That is our estimate of expenditures on the

1 engineering and design during 2010.

2 Q. So just so we're clear, the activities for
3 2009 and 2010 are not merely evaluation of the nuclear
4 option; is that right?

5 A. That's correct. This is not an exercise. We
6 are making solid progress towards the development of an
7 operating license for construction and operation. That
8 gives us the option to then exercise the construction
9 decision at the appropriate time.

10 Q. You have talked several times about this
11 stepwise approach. You're monitoring the factors that I
12 mentioned in my opening statement and that SACE has
13 provided in the prefiled testimony, correct, the
14 economic downturn for one thing?

15 A. Yes, sir.

16 Q. The national and international nuclear
17 activity?

18 A. Yes, sir.

19 Q. And the political and regulatory environment?

20 A. Yes, sir.

21 Q. So those are important for whether or not you
22 proceed with this project; is that right?

23 A. Yes, they are.

24 Q. Now, when you talk about a stepwise process
25 and FP&L decision-making process, does that include the

1 Public Service Commission in that process?

2 A. Absolutely. Every year as we come before the
3 Public Service Commission to review what we've done and
4 what our plans are, we're keeping them aware through
5 annual audits that their staff performs and what is
6 essentially a fairly continuous discovery process
7 through the year.

8 Q. And you're trying to maintain an off-ramp
9 approach, I believe you stated in your prefiled
10 testimony?

11 A. That's correct.

12 Q. So you could slow down or take an off-ramp in
13 order to manage cost risk at any time?

14 A. Cost and execution risk, yes, sir.

15 Q. What would precipitate your off-ramp?

16 A. We could see significant changes in energy
17 policy in the United States, the Florida Legislature.
18 We could see a regulatory shift in the NRC that would
19 increase the time of expected NRC licensing review. So
20 again, all those factors are a part of our continuous
21 monitoring to make sure that the decisions we make to
22 take the next step -- and again, we don't just make an
23 annual budget and move forward with that annual budget.
24 We make an annual budget and then evaluate that every
25 month as to whether or not we want to make the large

1 expenditures or hold back on the large expenditures
2 relative to the current events and the current
3 expectations of project progress.

4 Q. And you said that a more complete picture of
5 these three areas of uncertainty, the economic downturn,
6 the national and international nuclear activity, and the
7 political and regulatory environment, will be available
8 in the fourth quarter of this year; right?

9 A. Yes. Particularly the schedules for our state
10 site certification application and our Nuclear
11 Regulatory Commission combined operating license
12 application will be much more clear in the fourth
13 quarter. At the same time, we'll be completing our
14 current round of negotiations with Westinghouse/Shaw
15 Stone & Webster as to the terms, schedule, and pricing
16 for an EP or an EPC contract.

17 Q. That's a little late for this process that
18 we're undergoing here with the feasibility analysis;
19 right?

20 A. Well, the feasibility analysis is an annual
21 review. We actually conduct our analysis in the April
22 time frame consistent with our ten-year power plant site
23 plan, provide that to -- in our May testimony, and then
24 discuss that through the year. It's a continual cycle.
25 We'll be picking up on that cycle at the beginning of

1 next year.

2 Q. But you didn't reflect any of the uncertainty
3 of these three areas in your analysis that you provided
4 to the Commission in May.

5 A. Our feasibility analysis is based on a
6 schedule that's achievable, and we placed in that budget
7 estimates of the amounts of money that we would need to
8 achieve the 2018-2020 schedule.

9 Q. Did you reflect any of the uncertainty in that
10 schedule in your filing?

11 A. The feasibility analysis is an economic
12 analysis comparing a break-even natural gas combined
13 cycle plant to the high end of the nuclear cost estimate
14 range. That uncertainty of price and schedule is
15 somewhat captured in the cost estimate range that we've
16 talked about. In a very conservative way, we're only
17 comparing to the high end of that range, so we believe
18 that we're capturing that within the process.

19 Q. The schedule slippage has a cost; correct?

20 A. The schedule may or may not create more cost
21 for the project if it's managed appropriately. Again,
22 our earlier schedules had us buying long lead
23 procurement items in the fourth quarter of 2008. We saw
24 that that wasn't necessary, so we were able to defer
25 those costs out into the future. That doesn't mean that

1 they are going to be more expensive. In fact, they
2 could be less expensive if purchased out into the
3 future.

4 Q. You've heard of the term "first wave and
5 second wave" with regard to nuclear power construction?

6 A. Yes.

7 MR. DAVIS: Let me show what we'll mark as the
8 next exhibit.

9 CHAIRMAN CARTER: It will be Number 133.
10 Short title?

11 MR. DAVIS: The title is "First Wave or Second
12 Wave, NERA," N-E-R-A, "Economic Consulting."

13 CHAIRMAN CARTER: I'm going to have to see
14 that. How about we just go with "First Wave or Second
15 Wave"?

16 MR. DAVIS: Okay.

17 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Would that work for you?

18 MR. DAVIS: Yes, that works fine.

19 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Okay. Good.

20 MR. DAVIS: Thank you, Mr. Chair.

21 (Exhibit Number 133 was marked for
22 identification.)

23
24 CHAIRMAN CARTER: You may proceed.

25 BY MR. DAVIS:

1 Q. Mr. Scroggs, you're familiar with this NERA
2 article about first wave or second wave?

3 A. Yes, sir, I am.

4 Q. And when I say this article, I mean Exhibit
5 132.

6 CHAIRMAN CARTER: 133.

7 MR. DAVIS: I'm sorry. 133. Thanks.

8 BY MR. DAVIS:

9 Q. The tenor of the article is that it's better
10 to be in the second wave than the first wave at this
11 stage from an economic standpoint for a nuclear utility;
12 is that right?

13 A. That's the basis, yes, sir.

14 Q. And FP&L with Turkey Point 6 and 7 still falls
15 in the first wave, does it not?

16 A. I don't -- I wouldn't subscribe to that, no,
17 sir.

18 Q. Well, one of the dates that's used here for
19 the first wave is construction start in 2018.

20 A. Where are you referring, sir?

21 Q. Well, it says -- okay. I'm sorry.
22 Construction start in 2014 is the first wave, and
23 construction start in 2020 is the second wave; right?

24 A. I don't interpret the author's comments to say
25 exactly that.

1 Q. I'm sorry. I misspoke. I meant to say 2012
2 for the first wave and 2020 for the second wave.

3 A. I don't interpret it quite that way, but --

4 Q. But be that as it may -- the article speaks
5 for itself. You would agree, though, that you're among
6 the first nuclear utilities moving through the licensing
7 process in what appears to be a first wave?

8 A. We're one of 18 applications, one of five
9 AP-1000 projects. Again, our perspective on this -- and
10 you mentioned off-ramps -- is that we want to move the
11 project as far as we can with an acceptable risk
12 profile, and if necessary, take an off-ramp that slows
13 the process down, and we may very likely be a second
14 wave project. It talks about construction starting in
15 2020. Those are arbitrary dates. I don't know that
16 anybody would know exactly what dates individual
17 projects will actually start construction.

18 Q. And you're aiming to have Turkey Point 6
19 complete by 2018 and Turkey Point 7 complete by 2020;
20 correct?

21 A. That's the current schedule, but it's not at
22 any cost or not at any risk.

23 Q. If the Commission were to decide that it's
24 time for an off-ramp for Turkey Point 6 and 7, could
25 that benefit the FP&L ratepayers?

1 A. I think postponing the benefits of delivering
2 new nuclear show -- we're showing over the first 40
3 years of operation \$93 billion in fuel savings against
4 the mid range natural gas case. We're talking about
5 7 million tons of CO₂ a year removed. And through our
6 need determination and our most recent annual
7 feasibility analysis, we're talking about the most
8 cost-effective form of generation. So postponing those
9 benefits for our customers would be detrimental to them.
10 I don't know that it would necessarily be a benefit to
11 them to postpone it.

12 Q. You talked about mid range natural gas
13 projections. Isn't it true that your natural gas
14 projections are being daily shown to be way too high,
15 that now natural gas is less than \$3 a million Btu?

16 A. Well, witness Sim can answer in more detail
17 with respect to the natural gas cost estimates, but I
18 would propose that at any time point in time, there's a
19 snapshot that could be taken.

20 Our cost estimate range, and in fact, our
21 annual feasibility analysis is constructed recognizing
22 that from time to time these commodities will go up and
23 down. They'll fluctuate. So we developed a nine-matrix
24 process that allows to us look at the range of potential
25 natural gas prices, the range of carbon dioxide

1 regulation costs.

2 And only in the case that we have a
3 combination of the lowest CO₂ regulation price and the
4 lowest natural gas scenario is an alternative generation
5 project even economically equitable to the new nuclear
6 project at the high end of the range, and that wouldn't
7 provide the fuel diversity, energy security, and
8 emission-free nature of nuclear.

9 Q. We'll ask Mr. Scroggs about the details of the
10 analysis that -- I'm sorry. We'll ask Mr. Sim about the
11 details. But you understand that you predicted a
12 natural gas price as a low for 2009 of \$6.29?

13 A. That could be correct, yes, sir.

14 Q. And it's now below \$3?

15 A. In a spot market, perhaps.

16 Q. And we'll have further testimony on that
17 later.

18 There are lessons to be learned from the
19 nuclear development boom time of the 1970s; right?

20 A. Yes, sir.

21 Q. As a matter of fact, you gave a talk about
22 that back in March of this year, did you not?

23 A. Yes, I did.

24 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Do you need a number?

25 MR. DAVIS: Yes, Mr. Chair.

1 CHAIRMAN CARTER: That will be Number 134.
2 Short title?

3 MR. DAVIS: "A Developer's Perspective on New
4 Nuclear Plant Deployment."

5 CHAIRMAN CARTER: A Developer's Perspective on
6 New Nuclear Deployment. Okay. We'll just take the
7 title off the sheet, guys.

8 (Exhibit Number 134 was marked for
9 identification.)

10 CHAIRMAN CARTER: You may proceed.

11 MR. DAVIS: Thank you, Mr. Chair.

12 BY MR. DAVIS:

13 Q. Mr. Scroggs, again, I've excerpted the whole
14 presentation. Exhibit 134 is a PowerPoint presentation
15 that you provided to the -- what was the conference, if
16 you recall? I'm trying to remember the name of the
17 conference.

18 A. It was a conference hosted by Energy
19 Solutions.

20 Q. Energy Solutions, correct, on March 18, 2009.
21 And you reflected in this talk about nuclear industry
22 teaching lessons. And on the third page of Exhibit 134,
23 you said that 116 units were under construction at the
24 time of Three Mile Island in 1979. Sixty-six were
25 canceled, and only 50 were completed, with an average

1 delay of 6.3 years; correct?

2 A. That's correct.

3 Q. And on the next page, you show cost overruns
4 even before Three Mile Island of up to 249 percent.

5 A. That's correct.

6 Q. I assume that you did a study of the -- or had
7 someone on your staff do a study of these development
8 projects at the time or before you gave this talk?

9 A. Yes. These factors are very much in the mind
10 of nuclear power operators who experienced it, such as
11 FPL, and nuclear power operators who are considering new
12 projects.

13 Q. And you state that cost overruns were the
14 result of multiple issues. Do these sound a little
15 familiar, regulatory uncertainty, design changes, and
16 economic pressures?

17 A. All correct.

18 Q. Do you recall what your recommendations were
19 for dealing with these particular lessons from the
20 1970s?

21 A. Well, I think the first recommendation is to
22 learn from our history. And I think everybody would
23 recognize that these plants, particularly the St. Lucie
24 plant and the Turkey Point plant that were built during
25 this time, experienced the same challenges and that

1 through active management, we were able to overcome
2 those challenges. And those plants today, even though
3 they took longer to build than expected and they cost
4 more than they expected, they have been turning out
5 solid benefits for our customers every day since then.

6 Q. The other recommendation was to develop a
7 better relationship with the regulatory agencies; right?

8 A. I think clear communication, especially
9 through a process such as this where we're annually and
10 transparently discussing the project and looking at the
11 factors of the project, are very important, yes, sir.

12 MR. DAVIS: That's all I have.

13 CHAIRMAN CARTER: Mr. Moyle.

14 MR. MOYLE: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

15 CROSS-EXAMINATION

16 BY MR. MOYLE:

17 Q. I have a few questions, some follow-up and
18 then a couple of other lines I want to explore with you,
19 Mr. Scroggs.

20 The number for Turkey Point 6 and 7 is moving
21 around a little bit. As we sit here today, what is your
22 best estimate for the cost of Turkey Point 6 and 7?

23 A. We would say it would be in the upper range of
24 our cost estimate range, somewhere between 16 to
25 18 billion in total project costs.

1 Q. And you would agree that in order to determine
2 feasibility, that cost is an important component;
3 correct?

4 A. Yes, sir.

5 Q. Okay. And a swing of 15 to 18 or 12 to 18 or
6 even 16 to 18 billion can make a significant difference
7 in feasibility, can it not?

8 A. Well, our annual feasibility analysis shows
9 that we could have the highest cost estimate in the
10 range and still be economically more advantageous than
11 eight of nine scenarios and economically equivalent to
12 the ninth scenario, with the added qualitative benefits
13 of emission-free generation, energy security, and fuel
14 supply diversity.

15 Q. And that's the exhibit that Mr. Sim has
16 attached to his testimony; is that right?

17 A. That's correct, sir.

18 Q. Okay. We'll talk about that in a minute.

19 I want to ask a little bit about FPL's view
20 with respect to competitive bidding. Could you just
21 indicate, does the company support competitive bidding
22 as a general rule?

23 A. Yes. Our procurement procedures identify
24 competitive bidding as the preferred method.

25 Q. And you can still do a sole source contract;

1 correct?

2 A. As necessary and appropriate, yes, sir.

3 Q. And there are limitations on when you can do a
4 sole source contract according to your policy; correct?

5 A. Yes. The policy provides us a very specific
6 set of circumstances and requires that the
7 decision-making team enumerate the business reasons for
8 not entering into a competitive bidding process.

9 Q. One reason would be that there's nobody else
10 that could do the work; correct?

11 A. In a sole source procurement, that would be
12 the case.

13 Q. And this Commission has previously expressed
14 concerns about FP&L sole-sourcing work; isn't that
15 correct?

16 A. There have been discussions about it, yes,
17 sir.

18 Q. I want to talk a little bit about the EPC and
19 the EP process, and I would like to ask you a little
20 bit. You had hired Cocentric Energy Advisors to perform
21 a report for you, did you not, Mr. Reed?

22 A. Mr. Reed has been engaged to do a number of
23 things, an audit being one of them, which may be what
24 you're speaking of.

25 Q. Do you have a copy of his testimony before

1 you?

2 A. No, sir, I do not.

3 MR. MOYLE: Could I ask FPL if they would be
4 so kind as to provide this witness with a copy of
5 Mr. Reed's testimony? And for the record, I'm going to
6 refer you to his exhibit, page 22.

7 MS. CANO: May I ask Mr. Moyle which date of
8 John Reed's testimony you're referring to?

9 MR. MOYLE: May 1, 2009.

10 MS. CANO: Thank you.

11 A. You said page 22?

12 Q. Yes, sir. And it's a paragraph that I want to
13 spend some time focusing on. It's a little lengthy, or
14 I would have just read it into the record.

15 A. I'm sorry. I don't have a page 22 of his
16 testimony.

17 Q. It's his exhibit. It's his exhibit.

18 A. Of JJR-1?

19 Q. Yes, sir. And at the top it says page 26 of
20 36, and at the bottom it says page 22. If you would
21 just tell me when you're there.

22 A. Okay. I'm there.

23 Q. All right. It indicates that Turkey Point 6
24 and 7 used a single source procurement strategy when it
25 chose BVZ to provide certain engineering services on

1 behalf of the company; correct?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. And the reason that this was done was to
4 familiarize BVZ with the AP design, AP-1000 design; is
5 that right?

6 A. Well, in part. I think it's moreover to
7 familiarize Black & Veatch/Zachry with the Turkey Point
8 6 and 7 project, allowing us to work together on this
9 project so that we have in the future a potential for
10 credible vendors to provide competitive bids on other
11 scopes of contract.

12 Q. Okay. And this report says, "This procurement
13 strategy was selected in order to enhance the number of
14 potential construction vendors who are familiar with the
15 AP-1000 design." Is that a correct statement?

16 A. Correct statement.

17 Q. And it also indicates that there are three
18 capable construction firms, Shaw, Bechtel, and BVZ;
19 correct?

20 A. That's what it says, yes, sir.

21 Q. And then you all have selected BVZ to provide
22 you with engineering drawings, correct, preliminary
23 engineering work?

24 A. Yes. The scope of work that Black &
25 Veatch/Zachry has been engaged for is to do some

1 preliminary construction planning. This is a very
2 specific scope of work that helps us understand what's
3 the proper sequence and logistics of the construction
4 activities that lead up to the main power plant
5 construction. That's a scope of work that Black &
6 Veatch is very qualified to undertake, and in doing so,
7 they become more familiar with our project and can then
8 be a more credible bidder in the future.

9 Q. Isn't it true that the company that you
10 selected is not familiar and aligned with Westinghouse,
11 the company that is putting forward the AP-1000, that
12 instead, they align themselves with the GE reactor
13 technology?

14 A. I know that -- I guess I would say that's an
15 incomplete characterization. Black & Veatch/Zachry has
16 been involved in nuclear plant construction for the GE
17 ABWR, as well as conventional power plant construction
18 for FPL in numerous events. What we're looking at is a
19 scope of work that's similar to site preparation
20 activities that would be not unique to a nuclear plant.
21 And in doing so, FPL has experience working with Black &
22 Veatch/Zachry, and they're qualified to do so.

23 Q. But this paragraph, a portion of this sentence
24 says, "Two of the three firms, Bechtel and Shaw, have
25 prior experience with the AP-1000 and the Turkey Point 6

1 and 7 project. BVZ, however, is currently aligned" --
2 and it talks about URS - Washington Group and the GE
3 reactor design. "By single sourcing the procurement of
4 engineering services from BVZ, this vendor will gain
5 experience with the AP-1000 reactor."

6 I guess the thinking is it will create an
7 increased competitive environment for construction
8 services; is that right?

9 A. That's correct. And I think the GE reactor
10 processes have slowed down, so I think Black & Veatch
11 would be more freed up participate in AP-1000 projects
12 in the future.

13 Q. Was there a -- you have two companies that can
14 compete currently for the construction, Shaw and
15 Bechtel, according to this report; correct?

16 A. That's correct.

17 Q. And both of them are familiar with the AP-1000
18 design?

19 A. That's correct.

20 Q. Doesn't it seem a little curious as to why a
21 company not that familiar with the AP-1000 design would
22 be retained to provide engineering services related to a
23 power block unit that's going to be the AP-1000?

24 A. No. In fact, if you look at it from our
25 perspective, what we're doing is creating the option of

1 construction vendors who can competitively bid for
2 certain specific scopes in the future. It's a large
3 project. This project will have a lot of pieces to it.
4 Not all the pieces are specifically the nuclear reactor
5 and the turbine. There are a number of associated
6 facilities, water treatment plants, buildings, and other
7 activities around the central plant that could be bid
8 out to an independent bidder with proper qualifications.

9 The good news is that Black & Veatch/Zachry is
10 very qualified to do the work that they're doing. Their
11 rates have been shown to be very competitive. And in
12 doing so, we're able to not only deliver value, dollar
13 value for dollars spent today, but we're also creating
14 optionality into the future that may benefit our
15 customers.

16 (Transcript continues in sequence in
17 Volume 2.)

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