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DATE: February 18, 2010
TO: Office of Commission Clerk (Cole)
FROM: Division of Regulatory Analysis (Clemence)
Division of Economic Regulation (A. Roberts)
Office of the General Counsel (Brown)
RE: Docket No. 100024-EI – Petition for approval of standard interconnection agreement for non-export, parallel operators, by Gulf Power Company.

AGENDA: 03/02/10 – Regular Agenda –Tariff Filing–Interested Persons May Participate

COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: All Commissioners

PREHEARING OFFICER: Administrative

CRITICAL DATES: 03/14/10 - ac
02/14/10 (60-Day Suspension Date)

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: None

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Case Background

On January 13, 2010, Gulf Power Company (Gulf) filed a petition for approval of its standard interconnection agreement for non-export, parallel operators, and associated tariff sheets 9.115-9.122. The non-export agreement, if approved, would be applied to customers that install and operate electric generators of 10 megavolt-amperes (MVA) or less which may operate in parallel with Gulf's distribution system (13.2 kV and less). These generators are used solely to offset all or a portion of the customer's electricity requirements, or as back-up generation in the event of an electrical service outage. Customers must ensure that the generators are in compliance with the National Electric Safety Code, state and local building codes, mechanical codes, and electric codes.

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The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to Sections 366.04, 366.05, 366.81, 366.82, 366.91, and 366.92, Florida Statutes (F.S.).

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**Issue 1:** Should the Commission suspend Gulf's proposed standard interconnection agreement for non-export, parallel operators and associated tariffs?

**Recommendation:** Yes. (Clemence)

**Staff Analysis:** Pursuant to Section 366.06(3), F.S., the Commission may withhold consent to the operation of all or any portion of a new rate schedule, if the utility making the request is given a reason or written statement of good cause for doing so within 60 days. Staff recommends that the tariff be suspended. Suspending the tariff will allow staff adequate time to review the standard interconnection agreement and associated tariff so that staff can bring back a fully informed recommendation for the Commission's review. Staff believes that this reason constitutes good cause consistent with the requirement of Section 366.06 (3), F.S.

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**Issue 2:** Should this docket be closed?

**Recommendation:** No. (Brown)

**Staff Analysis:** If the Commission approves Issue 1, the docket should remain open to allow staff adequate time to review the filing and bring a recommendation back to the Commission on the merits of the filing.