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June 25, 2013

Docket No. 130070-EQ – Petition for approval of new standard offer contract for purchase of firm capacity and energy from renewable energy facilities or small qualifying facilities and approval of revised tariff schedule REF-1, by Gulf Power Company.

Issue 1: Should the Commission approve the revised standard offer contract filed by Gulf Power Company?
Recommendation: Yes. The provisions of Gulf's 2013 standard offer contract and related rate schedule REF-1 exceed the requirements of Rules 25-17.200 through 25-17.310, F.A.C. Gulf does not have any avoidable fossil fueled generating units or avoidable power purchases in the upcoming ten-year planning period. However, in an effort to encourage renewable generation, Gulf has identified its next avoidable unit rather than offer only energy payments in its standard offer contract. The standard offer contract provides flexibility in the arrangements for payments so that a developer of renewable generation may select the payment stream best suited to its financial needs. As such, the revised standard offer contract and rate schedule REF-1 submitted by Gulf should be approved as filed.

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Issue 2: Should this docket be closed?

Recommendation: Yes. This docket should be closed upon issuance of a Consummating Order, unless a person whose substantial interests are affected by the Commission's decision files a protest within 21 days of the issuance of the Commission's proposed agency action order. Potential signatories should be aware that, if a timely protest is filed, Gulf's standard offer contract may subsequently be revised

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