

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition of Progress Energy Florida, Inc. For an Accounting Order to Record in a Regulatory Asset or Liability the Unrealized and Realized Gains And Losses Resulting from Financial Accounting Requirements Related to Interest Rate Derivative Agreements.


Docket No. 120303-EI

Dated: August 29, 2013

**DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA INC.'S
NOTICE OF FILING AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF
REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION**

Duke Energy Florida, Inc., ("DEF" or "Company"), by and through their undersigned counsel, hereby gives notice of filing the Affidavit of William Bryan Buckler as Assistant Treasurer and Director of Corporate Finance in support of DEF's Second Request for Confidential Classification requesting that certain information provided in DEF's Risk Management Plan for Interest Rate Derivatives for 2013 be classified as confidential.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 29th day of August, 2013.



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished via electronic mail to the following this 29th day of August, 2013.


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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition for approval for an accounting order to record in a regulatory asset or liability the unrealized and realized gains and losses resulting from financial accounting requirements related to interest rate derivative agreements, Progress Energy Florida, Inc

Docket No. 120303-EI

Dated: August 29, 2013

**AFFIDAVIT OF WILLIAM BRYAN BUCKLER IN SUPPORT OF DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA'S
REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION**

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF MECKLENBURG

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

1. My name is William Bryan Buckler. I am over the age of 18 years old and I have been authorized by Duke Energy Florida (hereinafter "DEF" or the "Company") to give this affidavit in the above-styled proceeding on DEF's behalf and in support of DEF's Request for Confidential Classification (the "Request"). The facts attested to in my affidavit are based upon my personal knowledge.

2. I am Assistant Treasurer and Director of Corporate Finance. In this position, I am responsible for Corporate Finance activity such as the issuance of long-term debt and interest rate risk management.

3. In this position, I am responsible, along with the other members of the section, for the management of interest rate hedging activities for Duke Energy Corporation including DEI, DEO, DEK, DEC, DEF, and DEP's electrical power generation facilities,

4. DEF is seeking confidential classification for information contained in the Supporting Documentation to DEF's Risk Management Plan for Interest Rate Derivatives For 2013 (the "Risk Management Plan") submitted in this docket on August 29, 2013. A detailed description of the confidential information at issue is contained in confidential Exhibit A to DEF's Request and is outlined in DEF's Justification Matrix that is attached to DEF's Request as Exhibit C. DEF is requesting confidential classification of this information because it contains sensitive business information, the disclosure of which may impair the Company's efforts to contract for goods or services on favorable terms.

5. DEF negotiates with third parties to obtain competitive contracts for hedging activities that provide economic value to DEF and its customers. In order to obtain such contracts, however, sensitive business information, such as forecasted debt issuances and internal policies and guidelines must be kept confidential. With respect to the information at issue in this Request, DEF has kept confidential and has not publicly disclosed confidential information such as internal policies and guidelines. Without DEF's measures to maintain the confidentiality of sensitive terms, the Company's efforts to obtain competitive contracts could be undermined, because potential third parties with whom DEF wished to contract could take advantage of the knowledge gained from these internal policies and guidelines to artificially adjust its contract demands.

6. Upon receipt of its own confidential information, strict procedures are established and followed to maintain the confidentiality of the terms of the documents and information provided, including restricting access to those persons who need the information to assist the Company, and restricting the number of, and access to the information and contracts. At no time since receiving the information in question has the Company publicly disclosed that information. The Company has treated and continues to treat the information and contracts at issue as confidential.

7. This concludes my affidavit.

Further affiant sayeth not.

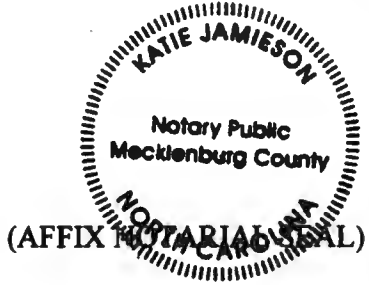
Dated the 29 day of August, 2013.



(Signature)

William Bryan Buckler
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THE FOREGOING INSTRUMENT was sworn to and subscribed before me this 29 day of August, 2013 by William Bryan Buckler. He is personally known to me, or has produced his North Carolina driver's license, or his _____ as identification.



Katie Jamieson
(Signature)

Katie Jamieson
(Printed Name)

NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF NC

June 14, 2016
(Commission Expiration Date)

(Serial Number, If Any)