BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Commission review of numeric conservation goals (Florida Power & Light Company).

In re: Commission review of numeric conservation goals (Duke Energy Florida, Inc.).

In re: Commission review of numeric conservation goals (Tampa Electric Company).

In re: Commission review of numeric conservation goals (Gulf Power Company).

In re: Commission review of numeric conservation goals (JEA).

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JOINT RESPONSE IN OPPOSITION TO MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE REPLY

Duke Energy Florida, Inc., Florida Power & Light Company, Gulf Power Company, JEA and Tampa Electric Company (collectively, "FEECA Utilities"), pursuant to Rule 28-106.204, Florida Administrative Code, hereby file their response in opposition to the motion for leave to file a reply filed by The Alliance for Solar Choice ("TASC"), and in support thereof state:

- 1. On June 10, 2014, TASC filed a Petition to Intervene in the above DSM goals dockets. After the FEECA Utilities filed a response in opposition to the Petition, TASC filed a motion for leave to file a reply on June 18, 2014.
- 2. In its motion, TASC offers two grounds as "good cause" for granting it leave to file a reply. First, TASC asserts that the FEECA Utilities' response includes "factual mischaracterizations" concerning the alleged interests of TASC's members in these dockets. Second, TASC asserts that the FEECA Utilities' response is "in legal error" by citing to prior

Commission orders interpreting FEECA's "zone of interests" without "taking into account" subsequent statutory amendments.

- 3. As to the first point, the factual distinctions that TASC seeks to draw in support of its motion would not have a material impact on the standing analysis and, therefore, do not constitute good cause for TASC to file a reply. Even if TASC's members are "roof-top solar developers," rather than wholesale solar suppliers or energy auditors like the proposed intervenors who were denied intervention in the prior orders cited by the FEECA utilities, their economic and proprietary interests, like those of the solar interests addressed in the Commission's prior orders, depend upon factors extraneous to these proceedings such as consumer reactions. *See* Order No. PSC-95-1346-S-EG, Docket No. 941173-EG, at pp. 8-9 (Nov. 1, 1995). As such, their interests are too speculative and indirect to satisfy the "injury in fact" prong of the *Agrico* standing test under the logic of the Commission's prior orders. In short, TASC's motion offers distinctions without a difference that could justify the filing of a reply.
- 4. As to TASC's second point, there is no "legal error" in the FEECA Utilities' response. The mere fact that FEECA was amended in 2008 to specifically reference "demand-side renewable energy systems" does not impact the Commission's standing analysis and, therefore, does not justify TASC's proposed reply. The prior Commission orders discussed in the FEECA Utilities' response specifically recognized that FEECA, even prior to the 2008 amendments, "encouraged" the use of solar energy and other renewable resources. *See* Order No. PSC-95-1346-S-EG, Docket No. 941173-EG, at p. 10 (Nov. 1, 1995); Order No. PSC-95-1343-S-EG, Docket No. 941170-EG, at p. 13 (Nov. 1, 1995). Notwithstanding that FEECA encouraged the use of solar energy, the Commission concluded that it was not intended to

promote businesses, to protect business markets, or to protect the competitive economic interests of the solar industry. TASC's motion offers no valid support for its claim of legal error.

WHEREFORE, the FEECA Utilities respectfully request that the Commission deny TASC's motion for leave to file a reply to the FEECA Utilities' joint response in opposition to TASC's petition to intervene.

Respectfully submitted,

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