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BEFORE THE  
FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF ENERGY DOCKET NO. 150035-EI  
PURCHASE AGREEMENTS BETWEEN  
GULF POWER COMPANY AND  
GULF COAST SOLAR CENTER I, LLC,  
GULF COAST SOLAR CENTER II, LLC,  
AND GULF COAST SOLAR CENTER III, LLC

PROCEEDINGS: COMMISSION CONFERENCE AGENDA  
ITEM NO. 8

COMMISSIONERS  
PARTICIPATING: CHAIRMAN ART GRAHAM  
COMMISSIONER LISA POLAK EDGAR  
COMMISSIONER RONALD A. BRISÉ  
COMMISSIONER JULIE I. BROWN  
COMMISSIONER JIMMY PATRONIS

DATE: Thursday, April 16, 2015

PLACE: Betty Easley Conference Center  
Room 148  
4075 Esplanade Way  
Tallahassee, Florida

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1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 THE CHAIRMAN: This will be Item No. 8.

3 MR. GRAVES: Good morning, Commissioners.

4 Robert Graves from staff. Item 8 is staff's  
5 recommendation addressing Gulf Power Company's  
6 petition requesting recovery of costs incurred  
7 under three energy purchase agreements with  
8 HelioSage, LLC.

9 The three solar facilities associated with the  
10 agreements total 120 megawatts and are located at  
11 three military installations in Gulf's service  
12 territory. Under the agreements, Gulf will pay a  
13 fixed rate for energy received during the 25-year  
14 term of the agreements.

15 Staff believes Gulf has reasonably  
16 demonstrated that the agreements will provide a  
17 savings of \$2.8 million to \$17.4 million to its  
18 customers without adversely affecting the company's  
19 service reliability. Staff recommends that the  
20 Commission approve Gulf's petition.

21 Representatives from Gulf as well as the U.S.  
22 Military are here.

23 THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you, staff.

24 Lieutenant Degnan, welcome back. I see we  
25 have some officers back there in the audience. Who

1 is with you today?

2 LIEUTENANT DEGNAN: Yes, sir. We have from  
3 the Navy, Chapter John Kliem. He's the deputy  
4 director, Naval Renewable Energy Program Office,  
5 Washington, D.C.; Captain Keith Hoskins. He's the  
6 commanding officer, NSA, Pensacola; Captain Todd  
7 Bahlau, commanding officer, NSA, Whiting Field.

8 THE CHAIRMAN: Gentlemen, welcome very --  
9 welcome to the Chambers. Before, I guess, we get  
10 to the rest of the Commissioners, I want to, No. 1,  
11 thank you for what you've done, what you do for the  
12 country, and what you'll continue to do. I'm a  
13 military brat, so I do understand not just what you  
14 do, but also what your family goes through. So, I  
15 do appreciate everything you do for us.

16 Commissioner Patronis.

17 COMMISSIONER PATRONIS: Thank you,  
18 Mr. Chairman. I just wanted to briefly comment on  
19 this company's investment here. I just think this  
20 is definitely more of a move forward to our  
21 furthering our fuel diversity in the State,  
22 bringing more solar power online, and doing it in a  
23 way that not only increases reliability, but also  
24 saves the ratepayers some tax money -- or some rate  
25 money.

1           So, anyway, thank them for their efforts and  
2           collaboration in this effort.

3           THE CHAIRMAN: Any other Commissioners?  
4           Gulf, did you have anything to add?

5           LIEUTENANT DEGNAN: No, Mr. Chairman.

6           THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. I will entertain the  
7           motion.

8           COMMISSIONER PATRONIS: So moved.

9           COMMISSIONER BROWN: Second.

10          THE CHAIRMAN: It's been moved and seconded,  
11          staff recommendation on all items in Item No. 8.

12          Any further discussion?

13          Seeing none, all in favor say aye.

14          (Chorus of ayes.)

15          CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: Any opposed?

16          (No response.)

17          CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: By your action, you have  
18          approved that item.

19          Thank you very much.

20          (Agenda item concluded.)

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