

FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

VOTE SHEET

July 21, 2015

Docket No. 150089-EG – Petition for approval of demand-side management plan by Florida Public Utilities Company.

Issue 1: Is FPUC's Demand-Side Management Plan projected to meet the annual numeric conservation goals established by the Commission in Order No. PSC-13-0645-PAA-EU?

Recommendation: Yes. FPUC's DSM Plan is cost-effective based upon the Rate Impact Measure (RIM) test and results in a net decrease in ratepayers' monthly rates. Although the Commission has allowed savings from audit programs to be counted towards the achievement of DSM goals in previous proceedings, staff recommends that no behavioral savings associated with audit programs be counted towards goals in this proceeding because behavioral savings are not directly monitorable. Even with the removal of projected behavioral savings from audits, FPUC's DSM Plan is projected to meet or exceed the annual goals set by the Commission in Order No. PSC-13-0645-PAA-EU.

The Commission should approve the programs contained in FPUC's DSM Plan. In addition, the Commission should allow FPUC to file for cost recovery of the programs in the Energy Conservation Cost Recovery (ECCR) clause proceeding. FPUC, however, must demonstrate that its expenditures to implement these programs are reasonable and prudent in order to recover the expenditures through the ECCR clause. Staff recommends that FPUC may not discontinue its DSM programs or change its programs' rebate levels without seeking formal Commission approval.

Finally, staff recommends that FPUC file its administrative program standards for all programs within 30 days of the Consummating Order being issued in this docket and that the Commission grant staff administrative authority to review and approve these standards.

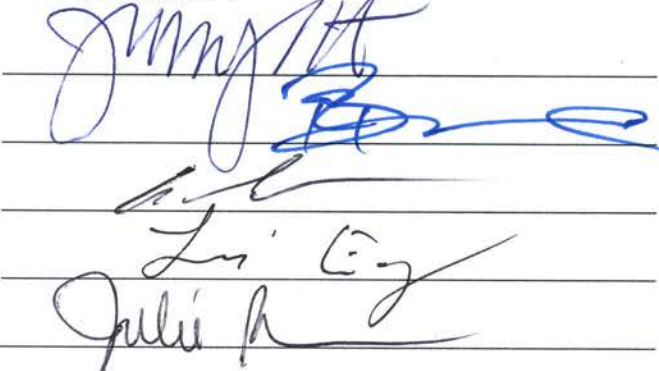
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COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: All Commissioners

COMMISSIONERS' SIGNATURES

MAJORITY

DISSENTING

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REMARKS/DISSENTING COMMENTS:

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Issue 2: Should this docket be closed?

Recommendation: No. If no person whose substantial interests are affected by the proposed agency action files a protest within 21 days of the issuance of the PAA Order, a Consummating Order should be issued. If the Commission approves any programs, the programs should become effective on the date of the Consummating Order. If a protest is filed within 21 days of the issuance of the PAA Order, the programs should not be implemented until after the resolution of the protest. However, the docket should remain open for staff's verification that the program standards have been filed by the utility and approved by staff. When the PAA issues become final and the program standards have been approved, this docket should be closed administratively.

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