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Ms. Carlotta Stauffer, Commission Clerk Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee FL 32399-0850

RE: Docket No. 150007-EI

Dear Ms. Stauffer:

Attached for official filing is Gulf Power Company's Request for Extended Confidential Classification regarding certain information submitted by Gulf Power in connection with Commission Staff's audits in the above-referenced docket (ACN 12-019-1-1). Also attached is Gulf's Request for Extended Confidential Classification in Microsoft Word format.

Sincerely,

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Attachments

cc: Beggs & Lane Jeffrey A. Stone, Esq.

## BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

IN RE: Environmental cost recovery clause

Docket No.:150007-EIDate:September 1, 2015

## **<u>REQUEST FOR EXTENDED CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION</u>**

GULF POWER COMPANY ["Gulf Power", "Gulf", or the "Company"], by and through its undersigned attorneys and pursuant to Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code, hereby files a request that the Florida Public Service Commission enter an order granting extended confidential classification for certain information produced in connection with a review of Gulf Power's 2011 environmental cost recovery expenditures (ACN 12-019-1-1) (the "Review"). As grounds for this request, the Company states:

1. On June 11, 2012, Gulf Power filed a request for confidential classification of certain information produced in connection with the Review. (Document No. 03796-12)

2. On March 3, 2014, the Commission entered Order No. PSC-14-0116-CFO-EI granting Gulf's request for confidential classification.

3. As provided in section 366.093(4), Florida Statutes, and by the Commission's Order, the confidential information will be made public after a period of 18 months unless Gulf or another affected party shows, and the Commission finds, that the confidential documents continue to contain proprietary confidential business information. The 18-month extension period expires on September 3, 2015.

4. Gulf hereby requests that the Commission enter an order extending the confidential classification of the information identified in line-by-line format on Exhibit "C" to Gulf's original Request for Confidential Classification for an additional 18-month period.

5. The information identified on Exhibit "C" to Gulf's original request remains sensitive despite the passage of time and is entitled to continued confidential classification for the same reasons that it was initially classified. As stated in Gulf's original request, the subject information consists of pricing data for products purchased by Gulf for use in its day-to-day operations. This pricing was the product of negotiations between Gulf and its vendors. Disclosure of this information would impair Gulf Power's ability to continue to procure such goods at prices favorable to its customers insofar as vendors of such goods would be given insight into prices paid by Gulf and could adjust their pricing accordingly. Additionally, Gulf's existing vendors may be unwilling to offer favorable pricing in the future. The information is entitled to confidential classification pursuant to sections 366.093(3)(d), Florida Statutes.

6. The information filed pursuant to this Request is intended to be, and is treated as, confidential by Gulf Power and, to this attorney's knowledge, has not been otherwise publicly disclosed.

WHEREFORE, Gulf Power Company respectfully requests that the Commission enter an order protecting the information identified on Exhibit "C" of Gulf's original request from public disclosure for an additional period of eighteen (18) months. Respectfully submitted this 1<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2015.

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