

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition for determination of need for
Okeechobee Clean Energy Center Unit 1, by
Florida Power & Light Company.

DOCKET NO. 150196-EI

DATED: November 3, 2015

COMMISSION STAFF'S PREHEARING STATEMENT

Pursuant to Order No. PSC-15-0394-PCO-EI, filed September 16, 2015, the Staff of the Florida Public Service Commission files its Prehearing Statement.

1. All Known Witnesses

There are no known witnesses at this time.

2. All Known Exhibits

There are no known exhibits at this time.

3. Staff's Statement of Basic Position

Staff's positions are preliminary and based on materials filed by the parties and on discovery. The preliminary positions are offered to assist the parties in preparing for the hearing. Staff's final positions will be based upon all the evidence in the record and may differ from the preliminary positions stated herein.

4. Staff's Position on the Issues

ISSUE 1: Is there a need for the proposed Okeechobee Clean Energy Center Unit 1, taking into account the need for electric system reliability and integrity, as this criterion is used in Section 403.519(3), Florida Statutes?

POSITION: No position at this time.

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ISSUE 2: Are there any renewable energy sources and technologies or conservation measures taken by or reasonably available to Florida Power & Light, which might mitigate the need for the proposed Okeechobee Clean Energy Center Unit 1?

POSITION: No position at this time.

ISSUE 3: Is there a need for the proposed Okeechobee Clean Energy Center Unit 1, taking into account the need for adequate electricity at a reasonable cost, as this criterion is used in Section 403.519(3), Florida Statutes?

POSITION: No position at this time.

ISSUE 4: Is there a need for the proposed Okeechobee Clean Energy Center Unit 1, taking into account the need for fuel diversity, as this criterion is used in Section 403.519(3), Florida Statutes?

POSITION: No position at this time.

ISSUE 5: Will the proposed Okeechobee Clean Energy Center Unit 1 provide the most cost-effective alternative, as this criterion is used in Section 403.519(3), Florida Statutes?

POSITION: No position at this time.

ISSUE 6: Based on the resolution of the foregoing issues, should the Commission grant Florida Power & Light's petition to determine the need for the proposed Okeechobee Clean Energy Center Unit 1?

POSITION: No position at this time.

ISSUE 7: Should this docket be closed?

POSITION: No position at this time.

5. **Stipulated Issues**

Staff knows of no stipulated issues at this time.

6. **Pending Motions**

Staff has no pending motions.

7. **Pending Confidentiality Claims or Requests**

Staff has no pending confidentiality claims or requests.

8. **Objections to Witness Qualifications as an Expert**

Staff has no objections to any of the witnesses qualifications as an expert in this proceeding.

9. **Compliance with Order No. PSC-15-0394-PCO-EI**

Staff has complied with all of the requirements of the Order Establishing Procedure entered in this docket.

Respectfully submitted this 3rd day of November, 2015.

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