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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

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

Re: *Fuel and purchased power cost recovery clause with generating performance incentive factor; Docket No. 160001-EI*

Dear Ms. Stauffer:

Please find enclosed for electronic filing on behalf of Duke Energy Florida, LLC ("DEF"), DEF's Request for Confidential Classification filed in connection with its response to Staff's Fourth Set of Interrogatories (No. 15). The filing includes the following:

- DEF's Request for Confidential Classification
- Slipsheet for confidential Exhibit A
- Redacted Exhibit B (two copies)
- Exhibit C (justification matrix), and
- Exhibit D (affidavit of Joseph McCallister)

DEF's confidential Exhibit A that accompanies the above-referenced filing has been submitted under separate cover.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. Please feel free to call me at (850) 521-1428 should you have any questions concerning this filing.

Respectfully,

s/Matthew R. Bernier

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Fuel and purchased power cost
recovery clause with generating performance
incentive factor.

Docket No. 160001-EI

Dated: August 29, 2016

**DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA LLC'S
REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION**

Duke Energy Florida, LLC (“DEF” or “Company”), pursuant to Section 366.093, Florida Statutes (“F.S.”), and Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code (“F.A.C.”), submits this Request for Confidential Classification for certain information provided in response to the Florida Public Service Commission’s Staff’s (“Staff”) Fourth Set of Interrogatories (No. 15) submitted on August 29, 2016. In support of this Request, DEF states:

1. DEF’s response to Staff’s Fourth Set of Interrogatories No. 15 contains “proprietary confidential business information” under Section 366.093(3), Florida Statutes.

2. The following exhibits are included with this request:

(a) Sealed Composite Exhibit A is a package containing an unredacted copy of all the documents for which DEF seeks confidential treatment. Composite Exhibit A is being submitted separately in a sealed envelope labeled “CONFIDENTIAL.” In the unredacted version, the information asserted to be confidential is highlighted in yellow.

(b) Composite Exhibit B consists of two copies of redacted versions of the documents for which the Company requests confidential classification. The specific information for which confidential treatment is requested has been blocked out by opaque marker or other means.

(c) Exhibit C is a table which identifies by page and line the information for which DEF seeks confidential classification and the specific statutory bases for seeking confidential treatment.

(d) Exhibit D is an affidavit attesting to the confidential nature of information identified in this request.

3. As indicated in Exhibit C, the information for which DEF requests confidential classification is “proprietary confidential business information” within the meaning of Section 366.093(3), F.S. Specifically, the information at issue includes actual hedging data and hedging percentage targets, the disclosure of which would impair the efforts of the Company or its affiliates to negotiate fuel supply contracts on favorable terms. *See* § 366.093(3)(d), F.S.; Affidavit of Joseph McCallister at ¶ 5. Furthermore, the information at issue relates to the competitive interests of DEF and its fuel suppliers, the disclosure of which would impair their competitive businesses. *See* § 366.093(3)(e), F.S.; Affidavit of Joseph McCallister at ¶ 6. Accordingly, such information constitutes “proprietary confidential business information” which is exempt from disclosure under the Public Records Act pursuant to Section 366.093(1), F.S.

4. The information identified as Exhibit “A” is intended to be and is treated as confidential by the Company. *See* Affidavit of Joseph McCallister at ¶ 7. The information has not been disclosed to the public, and the Company has treated and continues to treat the information at issue as confidential. *See* Affidavit of Joseph McCallister at ¶ 7.

5. DEF requests that the information identified in Exhibit A be classified as “proprietary confidential business information” within the meaning of section 366.093(3), F.S., that the information remain confidential for a period of at least 18 months as provided in section 366.093(4)

F.S., and that the information be returned as soon as it is no longer necessary for the Commission to conduct its business.

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, DEF respectfully requests that this Request for Confidential Classification be granted.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 29th day of August, 2016.

s/Matthew R. Bernier

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished via electronic mail this 29th day of August, 2016 to all parties of record as indicated below.

s/Matthew R. Bernier
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Exhibit A

“CONFIDENTIAL”

(submitted under separate cover)

Exhibit B

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(two copies)

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<p>#2 - DEF's targeted hedging percentage ranges outlined in its Risk Management Plan are based on calendar year forecasted burns (January through December). The volumes hedged over time are based on periodic updated fuel forecasts and the actual hedge percentages for any month, rolling period, or calendar annual period may come in higher or lower than the target minimum hedge percentages and hedging ranges because of actual fuel burns versus forecasted fuel burns. In its Risk Management Plan, DEF outlined the targeted hedge percentages ranges are based on forecasted burns are for calendar year periods. The actual hedge percentages may differ from hedge percentages based on forecasts.</p>								

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Exhibit C

DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA Confidentiality Justification Matrix

DOCUMENT/RESPONSES	PAGE/LINE	JUSTIFICATION
DEF's Response to Staff's Fourth Set of Interrogatories (No. 15)	Question 15: all information in table in the columns titled "2013", "2014", "2015", and "2016".	§366.093(3)(d), F.S. The document in question contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's efforts to contract for goods or services on favorable terms. §366.093(3)(e), F.S. The document in question contains confidential information relating to competitive business interests, the disclosure of which would impair the competitive business of the provider/owner of the information.

Exhibit D

AFFIDAVIT OF JOSEPH MCCALLISTER

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Fuel and purchased power cost
recovery clause with generating
performance incentive factor.

Docket No. 160001-EI

Dated: August 29, 2016

**AFFIDAVIT OF JOSEPH McCALLISTER IN SUPPORT OF
DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA'S
REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION**

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF MECKLENBURG

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority duly authorized to administer oaths, personally appeared Joseph McCallister, who being first duly sworn, on oath deposes and says that:

1. My name is Joseph McCallister. I am over the age of 18 years old and I have been authorized by Duke Energy Florida (hereinafter "DEF" or the "Company") to give this affidavit in the above-styled proceeding on DEF's behalf and in support of DEF's Request for Confidential Classification (the "Request"). The facts attested to in my affidavit are based upon my personal knowledge.

2. I am the Director of Natural Gas, Oil and Emissions in the Fuel Procurement Department. This section is responsible for natural gas, fuel oil and emission allowance activity for the Duke Energy Indiana ("DEI"), Duke Energy Kentucky ("DEK"), Duke Energy Carolinas ("DEC"), Duke Energy Progress ("DEP"), and DEF Systems.

3. As the Director of Natural Gas, Oil and Emissions, I am responsible, along with the other members of the section, for the management of the gas and oil procurement, transportation, hedging activities and administration of gas and oil contracts with various suppliers for DEI's, DEK's, DEC's, DEF's and DEP's electrical power generation facilities.

4. DEF is seeking confidential classification for certain responses to Staff's Fourth Set of Interrogatories (No. 15), submitted on August 29, 2016. The confidential information at issue is contained in confidential Exhibit A to DEF's Request and is outlined in DEF's Justification Matrix that is attached to DEF's Request as Exhibit C. DEF is requesting confidential classification of this information because it contains sensitive business information, the disclosure of which would impair the Company's efforts to contract for goods or services on favorable terms.

5. DEF negotiates with potential fuel suppliers to obtain competitive contracts for fuel options that provide value to DEF and its customers. In order to obtain such contracts, however, DEF must be able to assure fuel suppliers that sensitive business information, such as actual hedging data and hedging percentage targets will be kept confidential. With respect to the information at issue in this Request, DEF has kept confidential and has not publicly disclosed confidential information pertaining to actual hedging data and hedging percentage targets. Absent such measures, suppliers would run the risk that sensitive business information that they provided in their contracts with DEF would be made available to the public and, as a result, end up in possession of potential competitors. Faced with that risk, persons or companies who otherwise would contract with DEF might decide not to do so if DEF did not keep specific information

confidential. Without DEF's measures to maintain the confidentiality of sensitive terms in contracts between DEF and fuel suppliers, the Company's efforts to obtain competitive fuel supply contracts could be undermined.

6. Additionally, the disclosure of confidential information of DEF's actual hedging data and hedging percentage targets, could adversely impact DEF's competitive business interests. If such information was disclosed to DEF's competitors, DEF's efforts to obtain competitive fuel supply options that provide economic value to both DEF and its customers could be compromised by DEF's competitors changing their consumption or purchasing behavior within the relevant markets.

7. Upon receipt of confidential information from fuel suppliers and with its own confidential information, strict procedures are established and followed to maintain the confidentiality of the terms of the documents and information provided, including restricting access to those persons who need the information to assist the Company, and restricting the number of, and access to the information and contracts. At no time since receiving the contracts and information in question has the Company publicly disclosed that information. The Company has treated and continues to treat the information and contracts at issue as confidential.

8. This concludes my affidavit.

Further affiant sayeth not.

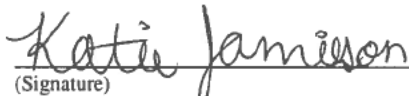
Dated the 24 day of August, 2016.



(Signature)

Joseph McCallister
Director – Natural Gas, Oil and Emissions
Fuels Procurement Department
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THE FOREGOING INSTRUMENT was sworn to and subscribed before me this 24 day of August, 2016 by Joseph McCallister. He is personally known to me, or has produced his _____ driver's license, or his _____ as identification.



(Signature)

Katie Jamieson

(Printed Name)

(AFFIX NOTARIAL SEAL)

NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF NC

June 14, 2021

(Commission Expiration Date)



(Serial Number, If Any)