FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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Docket No. 160105-EI – Petition for approval of 2016-2018 storm hardening plan, pursuant to Rule 25-6.0342, F.A.C., by Tampa Electric Company.

Docket No. 160106-EI – Petition for approval of 2016-2018 storm hardening plan, pursuant to Rule 25-6.0342, F.A.C., by Florida Public Utilities Company.

Docket No. 160107-EI – Petition for approval of 2016-2018 storm hardening plan, pursuant to Rule 25-6.0342, F.A.C., by Duke Energy Florida, LLC.

Docket No. 160108-EI – Petition for approval of 2016-2018 storm hardening plan, pursuant to Rule 25-6.0342, F.A.C., by Gulf Power Company.

<u>Issue 1:</u> Should the Commission approve Tampa Electric Company's 2016-2018 storm hardening plan filed in Docket No. 160105-EI?

Recommendation: Yes. Tampa Electric Company's (TECO) updated plan is largely a continuation of its current Commission-approved plan. A review of TECO's plan shows that it has the information required by Commission's Rule and Orders. Staff notes that approval of TECO's plan does not mean approval for cost recovery. TECO should consider the rate impact before taking proactive steps to improve its system to withstand severe weather events.

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<u>Issue 2:</u> Should the Commission approve Florida Public Utilities Company's 2016-2018 storm hardening plan filed in Docket No. 160106-EI?

Recommendation: Yes. Florida Public Utilities Company's (FPUC) updated plan is largely a continuation of its current Commission-approved plan. A review of FPUC's plan shows that it has the information required by Commission's Rule and Orders. Staff notes that approval of FPUC's plan does not mean approval for cost recovery. FPUC should consider the rate impact before taking proactive steps to improve its system to withstand severe weather events.

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<u>Issue 3:</u> Should the Commission approve Duke Energy Florida, LLC's 2016-2018 storm hardening plan filed in Docket No. 160107-EI?

<u>Recommendation:</u> Yes. Duke Energy Florida, LLC's (DEF) updated plan is largely a continuation of its current Commission-approved plan. A review of DEF's plan shows that it has the information required by Commission's Rule and Orders. Staff notes that approval of DEF's plan does not mean approval for cost recovery. DEF should consider the rate impact before taking proactive steps to improve its system to withstand severe weather events.

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<u>Issue 4:</u> Should the Commission approve Gulf Power Company's 2016-2018 storm hardening plan filed in Docket No. 160108-EI?

<u>Recommendation:</u> Yes. Gulf Power Company's (Gulf) updated plan is largely a continuation of its current Commission-approved plan. A review of Gulf's plan shows that it has the information required by Commission's Rule and Orders. Staff notes that approval of Gulf's plan does not mean approval for the cost recovery. Gulf should consider the rate impact before taking proactive steps to improve its system to withstand severe weather events.

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<u>Issue 5:</u> Should these dockets be closed?

Recommendation: If no person whose substantial interests are affected by the proposed agency action files a protest within 21 days of the issuance of the orders, these dockets should be closed upon the issuance of the consummating orders. A protest by an affected person in a docket will not preclude the non-protested dockets from closing.

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