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

Re: Docket No. 170001-EI

Dear Ms. Stauffer:

I enclose for electronic filing in the above docket the prefiled testimony and exhibits of FPL witness Gerard J. Yupp. Mr. Yupp's testimony provides and supports the information on FPL's 2016 fuel hedging results that is required by Item 5 of the Resolution of Issues approved by the Commission in Order No. PSC-02-1484-FOF-EI, Docket No. 011605-EI.

Exhibit GJY-3 to Mr. Yupp's testimony contains confidential information. This electronic filing includes only the redacted version of Exhibit GJY-3. Contemporaneous herewith, FPL will file via hand-delivery a Request for Confidential Classification.

If there are any questions regarding this transmittal, please contact me at 561-304-5639.

Sincerely,

s/John T. Butler
John T. Butler

Enclosure

cc: Counsel for Parties of Record (w/encl.)

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Docket No. 170001-EI

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

DOCKET NO. 170001-EI FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY

APRIL 3, 2017

LEVELIZED FUEL COST RECOVERY
AND CAPACITY COST RECOVERY

JANUARY 2016 THROUGH DECEMBER 2016 HEDGING ACTIVITY TRUE-UP REPORT

TESTIMONY & EXHIBITS OF:

GERARD J. YUPP

1		BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
2		FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY
3		TESTIMONY OF GERARD J. YUPP
4		DOCKET NO. 170001-EI
5		APRIL 3, 2017
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7	Q.	Please state your name and address.
8	A.	My name is Gerard J. Yupp. My business address is 700 Universe
9		Boulevard, Juno Beach, Florida, 33408.
10	Q.	By whom are you employed and what is your position?
11	A.	I am employed by Florida Power & Light Company (FPL) as Senior
12		Director of Wholesale Operations in the Energy Marketing and
13		Trading Division.
14	Q.	Have you previously testified in this docket?
15	A.	Yes.
16	Q.	What is the purpose of your testimony?
17	A.	The purpose of my testimony is to present data on FPL's hedging
18		activities, by month, for calendar year 2016. This data is required
19		per Item 5 of the Resolution of Issues that was approved by the
20		Commission in Order No. PSC-02-1484-FOF-EI, issued on October
21		30, 2002, which states:
22		5. Each investor-owned utility shall provide, as part of its final
23		true-up filing in the fuel and purchased power cost recovery

docket, the following information: (1) the volumes of each fuel the utility actually hedged using a fixed price contract or instrument; (2) the types of hedging instruments the utility used, and the volume and type of fuel associated with each type of instrument; (3) the average period of each hedge; and (4) the actual total cost (e.g., fees, commissions, options premiums, futures gains and losses, swaps settlements) associated with using each type of hedging instrument.

The requirement for this data was further clarified in Section III of the Hedging Order Clarification Guidelines that were approved by the Commission in Order No. PSC-08-0667-PAA-EI, issued on October 8, 2008.

13 Q. Are you sponsoring an exhibit for this proceeding?

- 14 A. Yes. I am sponsoring Exhibit GJY-3 –2016 Hedging Activity True-15 Up (Pages 1 through 13).
- Does your Exhibit GJY-3 provide the detail on FPL's 2016
 hedging activities required by Item 5 of the Resolution of
 Issues?
- Yes. All hedging activity details required by Item 5 of the Resolution of Issues are included on pages 1 through 13 of Exhibit GJY-3.
 - Q. Please describe FPL's hedging objectives.
- A. Consistent with the guiding principles described in Section IV of the
 Hedging Order Clarification Guidelines, the primary objective of

FPL's hedging program is to reduce the impact of fuel price volatility in the fuel adjustment charges paid by FPL's customers. FPL does not execute speculative hedging strategies aimed at "out guessing" the market. For natural gas purchases in 2016, FPL implemented a well-disciplined, well-defined and well-controlled hedging program in compliance with FPL's 2015 Risk Management Plan that was approved by the Commission in Order No. PSC-14-0701-FOF-EI issued on December 19, 2014.

9 Q. Please summarize FPL's 2016 hedging activities.

A. Consistent with its approved 2015 Risk Management Plan, FPL hedged a portion of its natural gas fuel portfolio for 2016 utilizing financial swaps.

Overall, actual 2016 natural gas prices settled, on average, approximately \$0.62 per MMBtu lower than the forward prices that were in effect when FPL was executing its financial swaps for 2016. As would be expected under the approved hedging approach, this decrease in natural gas prices resulted in reported natural gas hedging costs for the year of \$223,649,160, as shown on Exhibit GJY-3.

21 Q. Does this conclude your testimony?

22 A. Yes, it does.



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