

September 21, 2017

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

Dear Ms. Stauffer:

Pursuant to Commission Rule 25-6.0143(1)(d), F.A.C., Use of Accumulated Provision Accounts (i.e., Storm Rule), Duke Energy Florida must notify the Commission in writing for each storm incident expected to exceed \$10 million. Duke Energy Florida incurred incremental costs in the process of restoring our customers from outages created by Hurricane Irma which impacted the state of Florida beginning Friday, September 8, 2017.

Hurricane Irma was a broad, very strong hurricane that affected the entire Duke Energy Florida territory. It is too early for Duke Energy Florida to fully quantify its incremental cost using the Incremental Cost and Capitalization Approach (ICCA) as indicated in Rule 25-6.0143. However, it is known that Duke Energy Florida will well exceed the \$10 million notification threshold.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (704) 382-0241.

Sincerely,

Crystal Jordening

Manager, Florida Accounting and Reporting

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Mr. Bobby Pickels Mr. Jason Cutliffe