BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition for determination of need for Dania Beach Clean Energy Center Unit 7, by Florida Power & Light Company. DOCKET NO. 20170225-EI

DATED: January 2, 2018

COMMISSION STAFF'S PREHEARING STATEMENT

Pursuant to Order No. PSC-2017-0426-PCO-EI, filed November 6, 2017, the Staff of the Florida Public Service Commission files its Prehearing Statement.

1. <u>All Known Witnesses</u>

There are no known witnesses at this time.

2. <u>All Known Exhibits</u>

There are no known exhibits at this time.

3. <u>Staff's Statement of Basic Position</u>

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. <u>Staff's Position on the Issues</u>
- **ISSUE 1:** Is there a need for the proposed Dania Beach Clean Energy Center Unit 7, 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.

- **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 Dania Beach Clean Energy Center Unit 7?
- **POSITION:** No position at this time.
- **ISSUE 3:** Is there a need for the proposed Dania Beach Clean Energy Center Unit 7, 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.

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- **ISSUE 4:** Is there a need for the proposed Dania Beach Clean Energy Center Unit 7, taking into account the need for fuel diversity and supply reliability, as this criterion is used in Section 403.519(3), Florida Statutes?
- **POSITION:** No position at this time.
- **ISSUE 5:** Will the proposed Dania Beach Clean Energy Center Unit 7 provide the most cost-effective alternative available, 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 and other matters within its jurisdiction which it deems relevant, should the Commission grant Florida Power & Light's petition to determine the need for the proposed Dania Beach Clean Energy Center Unit 7?
- **POSITION:** No position at this time.
- **ISSUE 7:** Should this docket be closed?

POSITION: No position at this time.

The scope of the administrative hearing in this proceeding shall be based upon these issues and any other appropriate issues, raised by the parties up to and during the Prehearing Conference, unless modified by the Prehearing Officer.

5. <u>Stipulated Issues</u>

Staff is not aware of any stipulated issues at this time.

6. <u>Pending Motions</u>

Staff has no pending motions at this time.

7. <u>Pending Confidentiality Claims or Requests</u>

Staff has no pending confidentiality claims or requests at this time.

8. <u>Objections to Witness Qualifications as an Expert</u>

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

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9. <u>Compliance with Order No. PSC-2017-0426-PCO-EI</u>

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

Respectfully submitted this 2nd day of January, 2017.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that STAFF'S PREHEARING STATEMENT has been filed with

the Office of Commission Clerk and that a true copy has been furnished to the following by

electronic mail this 2nd day of January, 2018:

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