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March 15, 2018

#### **VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

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

Re: Petition for Issuance of Nuclear Asset-Recovery Financing Order by Duke

Energy Florida; Docket No. 20150171-EI

Dear Ms. Stauffer:

Pursuant to the Nuclear Asset-Recovery Property Servicing Agreement entered into in connection with the above-referenced docket, attached for filing is Duke Energy Florida, LLC's Form 10-D, which was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 15, 2018.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. Please feel free to call me at (727) 820-4692 should you have any questions concerning this filing.

Respectfully,

/s/ Dianne M. Triplett

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DMT/cmk Attachment

cc: Parties of Record

#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

Docket No. 20150171-EL

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished via electronic mail to the following this 15<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2018.

/s/ Dianne M. Triplett
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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

#### **FORM 10-D**

# ASSET-BACKED ISSUER DISTRIBUTION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 For the semi-annual distribution period from September 1, 2017 to February 28, 2018

Commission File Number	Registrant; State of Incorporat	tion; Address; and	d Telephone Nui	nber	IRS Employer Identification No.
333-209196-01	DUKE ENERGY FLORI	DA PROJECT	FINANCE, LL	ıC	81-0977581
	$(\Gamma$	Delaware)			
	299 First Avenue North	, St. Petersburg, 1	Florida 33701		
	704	1-382-3853			
1-03274	(Deposito ( 299 First Avenue North	GY FLORIDA, or and Sponsor) Florida) , St. Petersburg, 1 1-382-3853			59-0247770
	Registered/reporti	ng pursuant to (cho	eck one)		
					Name of exchange
Title of class		Section 12(b)	Section 12(g)	Section 15(d)	(If Section 12(b))
Series A 2018 Senior Secured Bo	nds			$\checkmark$	
Series A 2021 Senior Secured Bo	nds			$\checkmark$	
Series A 2026 Senior Secured Bo	nds			$\checkmark$	
Series A 2032 Senior Secured Bo	nds			$\checkmark$	
Series A 2035 Senior Secured Bo	nds			$\checkmark$	

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes ☑ No □

28,331,638.00

#### SEMI-ANNUAL SERVICER'S CERTIFICATE

Pursuant to Section 4.01(c)(ii) of the Nuclear Asset-Recovery Property Servicing Agreement, dated as of June 22, 2016 (Servicing Agreement), by and between **DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA, LLC**, as servicer (Servicer), and **Duke Energy Florida Project Finance, LLC**, the Servicer does hereby certify, for the March 1, 2018, Payment Date (Current Payment Date), as follows:

Capitalized terms used but not defined herein have their respective meanings as set forth in the Servicing Agreement.

References herein to certain sections and subsections are references to the respective sections of the Servicing Agreement or the Indenture, as the context indicates.

Collection Periods: September 1, 2017 to February 28, 2018

Payment Date: March 1, 2018

iv.

vi.

Series A

Series A 2035

**All Series A Bonds** 

2032

1. Collections Allocable and Aggregate Amounts Available for the Current Payment Date:

1.	Collect	ions Allocal	ble and Aggregate	Amounts Available for the Current Payment Date:	
i.	Remittan	ces for the	September 2017	Collection Period	\$ 9,860,110.84
ii.	Remittan	ces for the	October 2017	Collection Period	7,861,174.89
iii.	Remittan	ces for the	November 2017	Collection Period	6,678,906.56
iv	Remittan	ces for the	December 2017	Collection Period	5,703,292.07
٧.	Remittan	ces for the	January 2018	Collection Period	5,234,992.87
vi.	Remittan	ces for the	February 2018	Collection Period	5,669,617.88
vii.					
viii.					
ix.	Investme	nt Earnings	on Capital Subac	count	31,342.25
Χ.	Investme	nt Earnings	on Excess Funds	Subaccount	15,660.76
xi.	Investme	nt Earnings	on General Subac	ccount	115,772.08
xii.	General :	Subaccour	nt Balance (sum o	of i through xi above)	\$ 41,170,870.20
xiii.	Excess F	unds Suba	ccount Balance as	of prior Payment Date	3,567,131.76
xiv. Capital Subaccount Balance as of prior Payment Date			6,471,450.00		
XV.	Collectio	n Account	Balance (sum of	xii through xiv above)	\$ 51,209,451.96
2.	Outsta	nding Amou	ınts of as of prior F	Payment Date:	
i.	Series A	2018	Outstanding A	mount	\$ 120,300,000.00
ii.	Series A	2021	Outstanding A	mount	150,000,000.00
iii.	Series A	2026	Outstanding A	mount	436,000,000.00
iv.	Series A	2032	Outstanding A	mount	250,000,000.00
٧.	Series A	2035	Outstanding A	mount	275,290,000.00
vi.	Aggregate	Outstandi	ng Amount of all	Series A Bonds	\$ 1,231,590,000.00
3.	Requir	ed Funding	/Payments as of C	Current Payment Date:	
	Principal	,			Principal Due
i.	Series A	2018			\$ 28,331,638.00
ii.	Series A	2021			_
iii.	Series A	2026			_

In	te	re	st

	merest							
	WAL	Interest Rate	Days in Interest Pe	riod	Principa	al Balance	Ir	nterest Due
٧.	Series A 2018	1.196%		249	\$ 120	,300,000.00	\$	719,394.00
vi.	Series A 2021	1.731%		249	150	,000,000.00		1,298,250.00
vii.	Series A 2026	2.538%		249	436	,000,000.00		5,532,840.00
viii.	Series A 2032	2.858%		249	250	,000,000.00		3,572,500.00
ix.	Series A 2035	3.112%		249	275	,290,000.00		4,283,512.40
x.	All Series A Bonds						\$	15,406,496.40
					Requi	ed Level	Fun	ding Required
xi.	Capital Account				\$ 6	,471,450.00	\$	_
4.	Allocation of Remittances	as of Current P	ayment Date Pursuar	nt to 8.0	2(e) of Inc	lenture:		
i.	Trustee Fees and Expenses;	Indemnity Amo	ounts				\$	<del>-</del>
ii.	Servicing Fee							323,572.50
iii.	Administration Fee							25,000.00
iv.	Operating Expenses							38,467.86
						Per \$1,00	0 of	
Seri	ies A Bonds			Agg	regate	Original Prir Amoun	ncipal t	
٧.	Semi-Annual Interest (including	ng anv past-du	e for prior periods)	33	- 9		\$	15,406,496.40
1.	Series A 2018	5 71		\$ 7°	19,394.00	\$	3.93	, ,
2.	Series A 2021				98,250.00		8.66	
3.	Series A 2026			5,5	32,840.00		12.69	
4.	Series A 2032			3,5	72,500.00		14.29	
5.	Series A 2035			4,28	33,512.40		15.56	
vi.	Principal Due and Payable as	a Result of an	Fvent of Default or o	n Final	Maturity Γ	ate	\$	_
1.	Series A 2018	a recount or an		\$	—		_	
2.	Series A 2021		·	4	_	Ψ	_	
3.	Series A 2026				_		_	
4.	Series A 2032				_		_	
5.	Series A 2035				_		_	
vii.	Semi-Annual Principal						\$	28,331,638.00
1.	Series A 2018		<b>`</b>	\$ 28,3	31,638.00	\$ 1	54.82	
2.	Series A 2021				_			
3.	Series A 2026				_			
4.	Series A 2032				_			
5.	Series A 2035				_			
viii.	Other unpaid Operating Expe	nses					\$	<u> </u>
ix.	Funding of Capital Subaccoun	nt (to required l	level)					_
Χ.	Capital Subaccount Return to	Duke Energy	Florida					100,696.00
xi.	Withdrawals from Excess Fur	nds Subaccoun	t					(3,055,000.56)
xii.	Released to Issuer upon Reti	rement of all So	eries Bonds					_
xiii.	Aggregate Remittances as	of Current Pay	ment Date				\$	41,170,870.20

5.	Outstanding Amount and Collection Account Balance as of Current Payment Date (after givi made on such Payment Date):	ng effe	ct to payments to be
i.	Series A 2018	\$	91,968,362.00
ii.	Series A 2021		150,000,000.00
iii.	Series A 2026		436,000,000.00
iv.	Series A 2032		250,000,000.00
V.	Series A 2035		275,290,000.00
vi.	Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all Series A Bonds	\$	1,203,258,362.00
vii.	Excess Funds Subaccount Balance		512,131.20
viii.	Capital Subaccount Balances		6,471,450.00
ix.	Aggregate Collection Account Balance	\$	6,983,581.20
6.	Subaccount Withdrawals as of Current Payment Date (if applicable, pursuant to Section 8.0)	2(e) of	Indenture):
i.	Excess Funds Subaccount	\$	3,055,000.56
ii.	Capital Subaccount		
iii.	Total Withdrawals	\$	3,055,000.56
7.	Shortfalls in Interest and Principal Payments as of Current Payment Date:		
i.	Semi-annual Interest		
	Series A 2018	\$	_
	Series A 2021		_
	Series A 2026		_
	Series A 2032		_
	Series A 2035		_
	Total	\$	_
ii.	Semi-annual Principal		
	Series A 2018	\$	_
	Series A 2021		_
	Series A 2026		_
	Series A 2032		_
	Series A 2035		_
	Total	\$	_
8.	Shortfalls in Payment of Return on Invested Capital as of Current Payment Date:		
i.	Return on Invested Capital	\$	_
9.	Shortfalls in Required Subaccount Levels as of Current Payment Date:		
i.	Capital Subaccount		

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has duly executed and delivered this Semi-Annual Servicer's Certificate.

Date:	February 21, 2018	DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA, LLC
		as Servicer

By: /s/ David Doss

David Doss

Director, Electric Utilities and Infrastructure

#### PART I – DISTRIBUTION INFORMATION

#### Item 1. Distribution and Pool Performance Information.

The response to Item 1 is set forth in part herein and in part in Exhibit 99.1.

The record date for distributions described in Exhibit 99.1 is February 28, 2018.

Introductory and explanatory information regarding the material terms, parties, and distributions described in Exhibit 99.1 is included in the Prospectus dated June 15, 2016, of Duke Energy Florida Project Finance, LLC (Issuing Entity) relating to the Series A Senior Secured Bonds (Bonds) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b)(1) of the Securities Act of 1933 on June 17, 2016.

As indicated in Exhibit 99.1, all required interest and scheduled principal payments on the Bonds have been made with respect to the March 1, 2018, distribution date.

#### The following Items have been omitted pursuant to General Instruction C of Form 10-D:

- Item 1A. Asset-Level Information.
- Item 1B. Asset Representations Reviewer and Investor Communication.

#### PART II - OTHER INFORMATION

#### Item 2. Legal Proceedings.

On February 22, 2016, a lawsuit was filed in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida on behalf of a putative class of Duke Energy Florida LLC's (Duke Energy Florida) and Florida Power & Light Company's (FP&L) customers in Florida. The suit alleges the State of Florida's nuclear power plant cost recovery statutes (NCRS) are unconstitutional and pre-empted by federal law. Plaintiffs claim they are entitled to repayment of all money paid by customers of Duke Energy Florida and FP&L as a result of the NCRS, as well as an injunction against any future charges under those statutes. The constitutionality of the NCRS has been challenged unsuccessfully in a number of prior cases on alternative grounds. Duke Energy Florida and FP&L filed motions to dismiss the complaint on May 5, 2016. On September 21, 2016, the Court granted the motions to dismiss with prejudice. Plaintiffs filed a motion for reconsideration, which was denied. On January 4, 2017, plaintiffs filed a notice of appeal to the Eleventh Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals. The appeal, which has been fully briefed, was heard on August 22, 2017, and a decision is pending. Duke Energy Florida cannot predict the outcome of this appeal.

#### Item 3. Sale of Securities and Use of Proceeds.

None.

#### The following Items have been omitted pursuant to General Instruction C of Form 10-D:

- Item 4. Defaults Upon Senior Securities.
- Item 5. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.
- · Item 6. Significant Obligors of Pool Assets.
- Item 7. Change in Sponsor Interest in the Securities.
- Item 8. Significant Enhancement Provider Information.

#### Item 9. Other Information.

None.

#### Item 10. Exhibits.

(a) and (b) See Exhibit Index included as the last part of this report, which is incorporated herein by reference.

### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

Date:	March 15, 2018	DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA PROJECT FINANCE, LLC	
		(Issuing Entity)	
		By: Duke Energy Florida, LLC, as Servicer	
	Ву:	/s/ William E. Currens Jr.	
		William E. Currens Jr.	
		Senior Vice President, Chief Accounting Officer and Controller	

## **EXHIBIT INDEX**

Exhibits filed herewithin are designated by an asterisk (\*). All exhibits not so designated are incorporated by reference to a prior filing, as indicated.

Exhibit No.	Description
3.1	Certificate of Formation of Duke Energy Florida Project Finance, LLC (filed with the Registration Statement on Form SF-1 of Duke Energy Florida, LLC (File No. 333-209196) on January 29, 2016)
3.2	Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of Duke Energy Project Finance, LLC dated and effective as of June 10, 2016 (Form 8-K filed June 17, 2016)
4.1	Indenture, dated as of June 22, 2016, by and between Duke Energy Florida Project Finance, LLC and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as Indenture Trustee and Securities Intermediary (Form 8-K filed June 17, 2016)
10.1	Nuclear Asset-Recovery Property Servicing Agreement, dated as of June 22, 2016, by and between Duke Energy Florida Project Finance, LLC and Duke Energy Florida, LLC (Form 8-K filed June 22, 2016)
10.2	Nuclear Asset-Recovery Property Purchase and Sale Agreement, dated as of June 22, 2016, by and between Duke Energy Florida Project Finance, LLC and Duke Energy Florida, LLC (Form 8-K filed June 22, 2016)
10.3	Administration Agreement, dated as of June 22, 2016, by and between Duke Energy Florida Project Finance, LLC and Duke Energy Florida, LLC (Form 8-K filed June 22, 2016)
*99.1	Semi-annual Servicer's Certificate relating to the Bonds, dated February 21, 2018