

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition for limited proceeding to approve first solar base rate adjustment (SoBRA), effective September 1, 2018.

DOCKET NO. 20170260-EI

DATED: April 10, 2018

COMMISSION STAFF'S PREHEARING STATEMENT

Pursuant to Order No. PSC-2018-0077-PCO-EI, filed February 14, 2018, the Staff of the Florida Public Service Commission files its Prehearing Statement.

1. All Known Witnesses

Staff is presenting no witnesses.

2. All Known Exhibits

Staff has no prefiled exhibits.

3. Staff's Statement of Basic Position

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. Staff's Position on the Issues

ISSUE 1: Are the 2018 SoBRA projects eligible for treatment pursuant to paragraph 6 of the 2017 Agreement?

POSITION: Staff takes no position pending evidence adduced at hearing.

ISSUE 2: Are the 2018 SoBRA projects proposed by TECO cost effective pursuant to subparagraph 6(g)?

POSITION: Staff takes no position pending evidence adduced at hearing.

ISSUE 3: Are the projected installed costs of each of TECO's 2018 SoBRA projects under the Installed Cost Cap pursuant to subparagraph 6(d) of the 2017 Agreement?

POSITION: Staff takes no position pending evidence adduced at hearing.

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ISSUE 4: Is the projected average capital cost of the 2018 SOBRA projects no more than \$1,475 kWac for the year 2018 pursuant to subparagraph 6(c), of the 2017 Agreement?

POSITION: Staff takes no position pending evidence adduced at hearing.

ISSUE 5: What are the estimated annual revenue requirements associated with TECO's 2018 SoBRA projects?

POSITION: Staff takes no position pending evidence adduced at hearing.

ISSUE 6: What are the appropriate base rates needed to collect the estimated annual revenue requirement for the two solar projects in the First SoBRA?

POSITION: Staff takes no position pending evidence adduced at hearing.

ISSUE 7: Should the Commission approve the revised tariffs for TECO reflecting the base rate increases for the 2018 projects determined to be appropriate in these proceedings?

POSITION: Staff takes no position pending evidence adduced at hearing.

ISSUE 8: Should the docket be closed?

POSITION: Staff takes no position pending evidence adduced at hearing.

5. Stipulated Issues

None at this time.

6. Pending Motions

Staff has no pending motions at this time.

7. Pending Confidentiality Claims or Requests

Staff has no pending confidentiality requests at this time.

8. Objections to Witness Qualifications as an Expert

Staff has no objections to witness qualifications.

9. Compliance with Order No. PSC-2018-0077-PCO-EI

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

Respectfully submitted this 10th day of April, 2018.

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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 10th day of April, 2018:

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