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The Honorable Art Graham Chairman Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

RE: Docket No. 20190038-EI

Petition for Limited Proceeding for Recovery of Increm

Petition for Limited Proceeding for Recovery of Incremental Storm Restoration Costs Related to Hurricane Michael

Dear Mr. Chairman:

On February 5, 2019, Gulf Power filed a Petition for Limited Proceeding for Recovery of Incremental Storm Restoration Costs Related to Hurricane Michael (the "Petition"). Gulf Power made this filing pursuant to Section 366.0761(1), Florida Statutes, Rules 25-6.0143 and 25-6.0431, Florida Administrative Code ("F.A.C.") and the Stipulation and Settlement Agreement approved by the Florida Public Service Commission ("Commission") in Order No. PSC-17-1078-S-EI (the "Stipulation and Settlement Agreement"). In its filing, Gulf Power requested that the Commission authorize commencement of interim recovery of incremental storm restoration costs related to Hurricane Michael and replenishment of the retail storm reserve maintained by the Company in accordance with Rule 25-6.0143, F.A.C. through a surcharge on customers' electric bills.

The Petition specifically contemplated that the surcharge on customers' bills would begin with bills rendered on meter readings starting with the first billing cycle for April 2019. In doing so, Gulf Power followed the framework contained in the Stipulation and Settlement Agreement, particularly Paragraph 7(a). Paragraph 7(a) contemplates a 60-day timeframe, following the filing of a petition, within which Gulf Power would be authorized to begin recovering its storm costs from customers.

With this letter, Gulf Power respectfully requests that the Commission suspend the 60-day timeframe set forth in its Settlement Agreement as of the date of this letter until June 6, 2019. The counting of days toward the 60-day timeframe would resume on June 6, 2019, such that the 60-day timeframe ends on July 1, 2019. In addition to suspending the 60-day timeframe, Gulf Power also requests that the Commission defer from consideration at its Agenda Conference on April 2, 2019, Gulf Power's Petition to implement the surcharge. Finally, so as to

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still fall within the 60-day timeframe once the suspension ends, Gulf Power requests that the Commission take up its Petition for consideration at the Agenda Conference scheduled for May 14, 2019. With approval by the Commission of the surcharge on that date, Gulf Power anticipates that the requested surcharge would begin with bills rendered on meter readings starting with the first billing cycle for July 2019.

Gulf Power greatly appreciates the Commission's consideration of its request.

Sincerely,

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