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BEFORE THE
FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

DOCKET NO. 20190110-EI

PETITION FOR LIMITED
PROCEEDING FOR RECOVERY OF
INCREMENTAL STORM RESTORATION
COSTS RELATED TO HURRICANE
MICHAEL AND APPROVAL OF SECOND
IMPLEMENTATION STIPULATION, BY
DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA, LLC

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PROCEEDINGS: COMMISSION CONFERENCE AGENDA
ITEM NO. 4

COMMISSIONERS
PARTICIPATING: CHAIRMAN ART GRAHAM
COMMISSIONER JULIE I. BROWN
COMMISSIONER DONALD J. POLMANN
COMMISSIONER GARY F. CLARK
COMMISSIONER ANDREW GILES FAY

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P R O C E E D I N G S

CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: Okay. On to the last thing on our agenda today. Item No. 4.

MR. MOURING: Good morning Commissioners, Curt Mouring with Commission staff. Item 4 is staff's recommendation regarding Duke Energy Florida's petition seeking approval to implement an interim storm restoration recovery surcharge.

On April 30th, 2019, Duke filed a petition pursuant to the provisions of its 2017 second revised and restated settlement agreement for a limited proceeding seeking recovery of approximately 223.5 million dollars for the incremental restoration costs associated with Hurricane Michael and replenish to the balance in its storm reserve.

Along with the petition, Duke and other signatories to the 2017 second revised and restated settlement agreement filed a motion to approve a document that's been identified as the second implementation stipulation. In light of this stipulation, staff suggests that you vote on the Issue 1 and then review and vote on the stipulation. If you approve the stipulation, Duke

1 will withdrawal its tariff as stated in the
2 stipulation and Issue 2 will be rendered moot.
3 Commission may then vote on Issues 3 and 4.

4 Matt Bernier for Duke Energy and Charles
5 Rehwinkel with the Office of Public Council are
6 available if the Commission has any questions and
7 staff is also available to answer any questions you
8 may have.

9 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: Thank you, staff. Mr.
10 Bernier.

11 MR. BERNIER: Good morning. Thank you, Mr.
12 Chairman. Good morning, Commissioners. Matt
13 Bernier for Duke Energy.

14 I really don't have much to add to what we
15 just heard. We support staff's recommendation. We
16 urge the Commission to adopt the implementation
17 stipulation. And, as he indicated, if we get to
18 that point, I'm here to withdraw our tariff sheets
19 as proposed with our petition. But we're here to
20 answer any questions.

21 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: Thank you. Mr. Rehwinkel.

22 MR. REHWINKEL: We just echo Mr. Bernier's
23 remarks.

24 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: Okay. Commissioners, any
25 questions before we vote on Issue No. 1?

1 (No comments made.)

2 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: I will take a motion for
3 Issue No. 1.

4 COMMISSIONER POLMANN: Mr. Chairman, I would
5 move Issue No. 1 on Item 4.

6 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: Staff recommendation, Issue
7 No. 1?

8 COMMISSIONER POLMANN: I'm sorry. Staff
9 recommendation on Issue 1.

10 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: It's been motioned and duly
11 seconded. Any further discussion on that motion?

12 (No comments made.)

13 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: Seeing none, all in favor
14 say, aye.

15 (Chorus of ayes.)

16 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: Any opposed?

17 (No comments made.)

18 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: By your action, you've
19 approved the staff rec on Issue No. 1.

20 Okay. So staff, since we've approved that,
21 then 2 is moot?

22 MS. DZIECHIARZ: Not yet. We have to review
23 the stipulation first.

24 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: Okay. Commissioner Brown.

25 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Mr. Chairman, I would

1 move to approve the second implementation
2 stipulation noted as Attachment A of the staff
3 recommendation.

4 COMMISSIONER POLMANN: Second.

5 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: It's been moved and
6 seconded, the stipulation. Any further discussion?

7 (No comments made.)

8 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: Seeing none, all in favor
9 say, aye.

10 (Chorus of ayes.)

11 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: Any opposed?

12 (No comments made.)

13 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: Commissioner Brown.

14 COMMISSIONER BROWN: I just wanted to comment
15 on this, because I think -- I applaud the parties
16 here -- but for the stipulation, Duke would have
17 otherwise been allowed to file for recovery in the
18 amount of 221 million from Hurricane Michael. So
19 thank you for your collaborative efforts.

20 Ratepayers are getting a tremendous benefit here
21 from the tax savings. So I appreciate the
22 collaboration among the parties.

23 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: Seeing none opposed, you
24 have approved the stipulation.

25 Okay. Now, staff, we get to nuke Item No --

1 Issue No. 2?

2 MS. DZIECHIARZ: Yes. Item 2 would now be
3 moot once Duke withdraws the tariff and then we can
4 go to issues 3 and 4.

5 MR. BERNIER: Mr. Chairman, at this time I'd
6 like to withdraw the tariff sheets and allow you to
7 move the Issues 3 and 4.

8 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: Okay. We can definitely do
9 that.

10 All right. Commissioners, Issues 3 and 4, if
11 you want to take them up together.

12 COMMISSIONER POLMANN: Mr. Chairman, I would
13 move staff recommendation on Issues 3 and 4
14 together.

15 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: It's been moved and
16 seconded. Any further discussion on staff rec on
17 Issues No. 3 and 4?

18 (No comments made.)

19 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: Seeing none, all in favor
20 say, aye.

21 (Chorus of ayes.)

22 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: Any opposed?

23 (No comments made.)

24 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: By your action, you've
25 approved the staff rec on Issues No. 3 and 4.

1 I believe that -- yes, Mr. Rehwinkel.

2 MR. REHWINKEL: Yes. Thank you, Mr. Chairman,
3 and Commissioners. I just want to echo
4 Commissioner Brown's remarks. This is a good
5 opportunity to use the tax savings to pay for a
6 catastrophic event, but more than that I would like
7 to thank the Commission and the staff for
8 supporting the work of Duke and the parties to make
9 the settlement agreement that we entered into work
10 as designed. It's very important that customers
11 recognize that the company has a legal right to
12 recover the storm costs and that the company
13 recognizes that the customers have a legal right to
14 a rate reduction as agreed to, and the parties came
15 together and used their creativity and best efforts
16 to use those two legal rights to offset such that
17 the public interest was served. So thank you very
18 much.

19 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: Thank you, sir.

20 COMMISSIONER FAY: At the risk of creating an
21 echo chamber, I will join Mr. Rehwinkel and agree
22 fully with his comments and also note that I got
23 nervous when I saw him reach for his button
24 earlier. Thank you. Thank you.

25 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: Commissioner Polmann.

1 COMMISSIONER POLMANN: Thank you, Mr.
2 Chairman. I love echo chambers.

3 I just want to recognize the efficiency that's
4 been achieved here by the parties, and the
5 Commission certainly appreciates that and I know
6 customers do, as well. We don't have -- end up
7 with confusing bills with a whole bunch of line
8 items. So thank you to the parties. Thank you
9 very much.

10 CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: Anybody else want to pat
11 somebody on the back? Just kidding. Thank you
12 very much for your time and your effort, and this
13 meeting's adjourned. Travel home safe.

14 (Agenda item concluded.)

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