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Attachments: Broward Soil and Water Board FEECA Resolution.pdf

Good Morning,

We will be placing the attached resolution in consumer correspondence in dockets 20190015-20190021 and forwarding it to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

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Sincerely,

Brian Schultz

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Subject: Docket Nos. 20190015 to 20190021

Dear Mr. Schultz,

On behalf of the Broward Soil and Water Conservation District, we request that the attached resolution be entered into the FEECA docket.

Richard DeNapoli
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acting as Recording Secretary for the Broward Soil & Water Conservation District

CC: Broward Soil & Water Conservation District Supervisors
Emma Collum, Jelani Harvey, Alissa Schafer, Fred Segal

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A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF THE BROWARD SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT (BOARD) ENCOURAGING THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION ("PSC") TO SET MEANINGFUL ENERGY EFFICIENCY GOALS, TO MEET THOSE GOALS THROUGH PROGRAMS TARGETTED TO RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL CUSTOMERS WITH A FOCUS ON LOW TO MODERATE INCOME HOUSEHOLDS; PROVIDING FOR TRANSMITAL OF THE RESOLUTION TO THE CHAIR AND CLERK OF THE PSC AND FILING IN RELEVANT PSC DOCKETS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEALER; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature passed the Florida Energy Efficiency and Conservation Act ("FEECA") in 1980 to reduce peak electricity demand and energy consumption; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature amended FEECA in 2008 to include an emphasis on cost-effective energy conservation measures; and

1 WHEREAS, Florida is understood to be vulnerable to the impacts of climate change
2 including rising sea levels, damaging hurricanes and storms, and extreme temperatures and
3 increasing energy efficiency will both mitigate the drivers of climate change and facilitate
4 adaptation to some effects, such as more frequent days with extreme high temperatures; and

5 WHEREAS, the Broward Soil and Water Conservation District has shown its
6 commitment to mitigating and adapting to climate change through its efforts to engage with and
7 educate the community on issues impacting Broward County, including issues of energy
8 conservation and the corresponding impact on water use and water quality; and

9 WHEREAS, the efforts undertaken by utilities and building owners in Florida to expand
10 renewable energy installations would be even more effective in meeting electricity demand if that
11 demand were first reduced through energy conservation; and

12 WHEREAS, energy conservation and efficiency programs that promote behavioral and
13 operational changes by residents and building owners can significantly reduce energy demand
14 from the built environment; and

15 WHEREAS, energy efficiency measures constitute a low-cost resource that helps
16 residential and commercial building owners use less energy, save money on bills, and reduce
17 greenhouse gas emissions, while providing additional economic and societal benefits, including
18 potential local job creation and economic growth; and

19 WHEREAS, by reducing electricity demand, energy conservation reduces the need for
20 the construction of new power plants and the operation of existing fossil fuel plants, lowering not
21 only carbon pollution but also other air pollutants that have a negative effect on public health; and

22 WHEREAS, the Florida Public Service Commission (PSC) is statutorily required to
23 establish goals for FEECA utilities and review such goals every five years, at a minimum; and

24 WHEREAS, in turn, the utilities are required to develop cost-effective demand-side
25 management plans that meet those goals and submit them to the PSC for approval; and

1 WHEREAS, the 2019 FEECA proceedings thus present a once in every-five-year
2 opportunity to reset and improve the energy conservation goals for the state’s largest utilities; and

3 WHEREAS, improved conservation goals will generally lead to more robust energy
4 efficiency programs and options directed at residential and commercial customers that reduce
5 energy usage and provide economic and environmental benefits;

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7 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF THE BROWARD SOIL AND WATER
8 CONSERVATION DISTRICT:

9 Section 1. The Board urges the PSC to set meaningful numeric energy conservation
10 goals, comparable to the national average annual energy savings rate for utilities in the United
11 States, during current FEECA proceedings in order to put Broward County and the State of Florida
12 on a path to significant economic, environmental, and public health benefits.

13 Section 2. The Board urges the PSC to require that most, if not all, of the numeric
14 energy conservation goals be met through programs to assist commercial and residential
15 customers with an emphasis on low- and moderate-income households.

16 Section 3. The Board directs the Board Corresponding Secretary to provide copies of
17 this Resolution to the Chair and Clerk of the PSC and authorizes filing of this Resolution in the
18 FEECA proceedings before the PSC, relating to the Commission Review of Numeric
19 Conservation Goals.

20 Section 4. If any section, subsection, clause or provision of this resolution is held
21 invalid, the remainder shall not be affected by such invalidity.

22 Section 5. All resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith shall be and hereby
23 are repealed.

24 Section 6. This resolution shall take effect immediately after adoption.

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26 PASSED AND ADOPTED by the BROWARD SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION

1 DISTRICT this 15th day of August, 2019.

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7 BOARD MEMBER: Alissa Schafer

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9 BOARD MEMBER: Emma Collum

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11 BOARD MEMBER: Fred Segal

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