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# Public Service Commission

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**DATE:** April 14, 2022

**TO:** Suzanne S. Brownless, Special Counsel, Office of the General Counsel

**FROM:** Lee Smith, Public Utility Analyst III, Division of Economics

**RE:** Duke Energy Florida- Docket No. 20190140-EI - Confidentiality Request  
Extension - Document No. 02693-2020, [x-ref DN 02723-2020, DN 02830-2020]

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On April 4, 2022, pursuant to Section 366.093, of the Florida Statutes (F.S), and Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code., Duke Energy Florida (DEF or Company) requested an extension of confidential classification for certain information contained within the documents produced by DEF in response to the Office of Public Counsel's (OPC) First Request to Produce Documents (Nos. 1-13) as well as portions of both DEF's responses to OPC's First Set of Interrogatories (No. 1-25), and portions of the interrogatories themselves, in the above-referenced docket, dated May 20, 2020. The material that is the subject of this confidentiality request appears in Document No. 02693-2020 and is cross referenced to Document Nos. 02723-2020 and 02830-2020.

On June 8, 2020, DEF filed the original Request for Confidential Classification related to these documents. DEF's Request was granted by Order No. PSC-2020-0356-CFO-EI on October 9, 2020.

The Company is claiming confidentiality for certain information contained within the documents produced by DEF in response to the Office of Public Counsel's (OPC) First Request to Produce Documents (Nos. 1-13) as well as portions of both DEF's responses to OPC's First Set of Interrogatories (No. 1-25), and portions of the interrogatories themselves, under Section 366.093(3), F.S. Per the Statute, propriety of confidential business information includes, but is not limited to: Subsection (d) "[i]nformation concerning bids or other contractual data, the disclosure of which would impair the efforts of the public utility or its affiliates to contract for goods or services on favorable terms," and (e) "[i]nformation relating to competitive interests, the disclosure of which would impair the competitive business of the provider of the information." The information provided in the aforementioned response for which confidential treatment is being sought can be described as information revealing vendor-specific information related to DEF's request for information and request for proposal process.

Staff has reviewed the information contained within the documents produced by DEF in response to the Office of Public Counsel's (OPC) First Request to Produce Documents (Nos. 1-13) as well as portions of both DEF's responses to OPC's First Set of Interrogatories (No. 1-25), and portions of the interrogatories themselves, as well as the Company's confidentiality request. In staff's opinion, the information that is the subject of the confidentiality request does meet the criteria for confidentiality

contained in Section 366.093(d) and (e) F.S. Therefore, staff recommends that the request for extension of confidentiality of the information included in Document Nos. 02693-2020, 02723-2020, and 02830-2020 be approved.



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**DATE:** April 12, 2022

**TO:** Division of Economics, Office of Primary Responsibility

**FROM:** OFFICE OF COMMISSION CLERK

**RE:** CONFIDENTIALITY OF CERTAIN INFORMATION

DOCKET NO: 20190140-EI

DOCUMENT NO: 02693-2020

DESCRIPTION: Duke Energy (Hernandez) - (CONFIDENTIAL) Documents produced in response to OPC's 1st request for PODs (Nos. 1-13) and 1st set of interrogatories (Nos. 1-25)], Exh A.

SOURCE: Duke Energy Florida, LLC

The above confidential material was filed along with a first request for extension of confidential classification. Please complete the following form by checking all applicable information and forward it to the attorney assigned to the docket, along with a brief memorandum supporting your recommendation.

- The document(s) is (are), in fact, what the utility asserts it (them) to be.
- The utility has provided enough details to perform a reasoned analysis of its request.
- The material has been received incident to an inquiry.
- The material is confidential business information because it includes:
- (a) Trade secrets;
  - (b) Internal auditing controls and reports of internal auditors;
  - (c) Security measures, systems, or procedures;
  - (d) Information concerning bids or other contractual data, the disclosure of which would impair the efforts of the public utility or its affiliates to contract for goods or services on favorable terms;
  - (e) Information relating to competitive interests, the disclosure of which would impair the competitive business of the provider of information;
  - (f) Employee personnel information unrelated to compensation, duties, qualifications, or responsibilities;
- The material appears to be confidential in nature and harm to the company or its ratepayers will result from public disclosure.
- The material appears not to be confidential in nature.
- The material is a periodic or recurring filing and each filing contains confidential information.

This response was prepared by /s/ Gary L Smith II on 4/14/2022, a copy of which has been sent to the Office of Commission Clerk and the Office of General Counsel.