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BEFORE THE  
FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

DOCKET NO. 20220029-EI

Petition for approval of a plant  
account and depreciation rate for  
electric vehicle DC fast charge  
stations by Duke Energy Florida, LLC.

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PROCEEDINGS: COMMISSION CONFERENCE AGENDA  
ITEM NO. 4

COMMISSIONERS  
PARTICIPATING: CHAIRMAN ANDREW GILES FAY  
COMMISSIONER ART GRAHAM  
COMMISSIONER GARY CLARK  
COMMISSIONER MIKE LA ROSA  
COMMISSIONER GABRIELLA PASSIDOMO

DATE: Tuesday, May 3, 2022

PLACE: Betty Easley Conference Center  
Room 148  
4075 Esplanade Way  
Tallahassee, Florida

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## 1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 CHAIRMAN FAY: Mr. Kunkler, you're recognized  
3 to present Item 4 when you're ready.

4 MR. KUNKLER: Good morning, Commissioners.  
5 Item 4 addresses Duke Energy Florida's petition for  
6 approval of a plant account and depreciation rate  
7 for company-owned electric vehicle DC fast charge  
8 stations. Staff is recommending approval of a new  
9 subaccount within FERC account 370. Subaccount  
10 370.7 for DEF's DC fast charge stations. Staff is  
11 also recommending approval of the requested  
12 10-percent annual depreciation rate which reflects  
13 a 10-year life for the DC fast charge station.  
14 Further, staff is recommending that Commission  
15 approve an implementation date effective January 1,  
16 2022. Thank you.

17 CHAIRMAN FAY: Great. Thank you, Mr. Kunkler.  
18 With that, Commissioners, I'll take any questions.  
19 I have a few.

20 So I know that this is a -- back up a little  
21 bit. Is that better? This is a potentially  
22 somewhere to place this new category for these EV  
23 charging stations. It doesn't seem to make  
24 complete sense. Is there -- is there a reason, I  
25 guess, FERC hasn't established a category that

1 would speak specifically to EV chargers yet?

2 MR. KUNKLER: Correct. There is currently no  
3 account within the FERC system of accounts for  
4 electric vehicle charging stations or equipment,  
5 and the company feels that this is the best -- and  
6 staff feels this is the best at this time, the best  
7 account to put these assets.

8 CHAIRMAN FAY: Okay. Great. And if they  
9 do -- if FERC does establish one, we could then  
10 move it into that category? Is that --

11 MR. KUNKLER: Correct. When an account  
12 eventually -- FERC establishes a electric vehicle  
13 account, the company agrees that they will move all  
14 those assets, transfer them into that  
15 newly-established account.

16 CHAIRMAN FAY: Great. Okay. And then just my  
17 last question. So the recommendation states after  
18 10 years there would be no net salvage value. I  
19 know there's a lot of discussion about the initial  
20 installation cost and then maybe some of these  
21 charges being updated down the road. If a utility  
22 decides to do that, we're not -- by stating this,  
23 this current structure and creating this, we're not  
24 stating that they couldn't change that in the  
25 future if they decided to change what they thought

1           could be invested?

2           MR. KUNKLER: No, sir. The Commission will  
3           have other opportunities, further opportunities in  
4           the future, to reevaluate when the company files  
5           their next depreciation study. So we should have  
6           more information in regard to these.

7           CHAIRMAN FAY: Yeah. We just don't know, you  
8           know, once these are installed down the road, how  
9           quickly they need to be changed or adapted to new  
10          vehicles on the market, and I just want to make  
11          sure we're not foreclosing them to be able to do  
12          that from an accounting perspective.

13          MR. KUNKLER: Yes.

14          CHAIRMAN FAY: Great. With that,  
15          Commissioners, I'm comfortable with this item.  
16          I'll take a motion, if there aren't any questions  
17          or discussion.

18          COMMISSIONER GRAHAM: Move staff  
19          recommendation on all issues on Item No. 4.

20          COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: Second.

21          CHAIRMAN FAY: We have a motion and a second  
22          on all items -- all issues for Item 4. All those  
23          that support say, yea.

24          (Chorus of ayes.)

25          CHAIRMAN FAY: Any opposed?

1 (No comments made.)

2 CHAIRMAN FAY: With that, the item passes.

3 Thank you so much.

4 (Agenda item concluded.)

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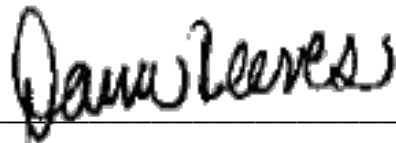
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