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#### April 14, 2023

#### **VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

Adam J. Teitzman, Commission Clerk Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Re: Petition for Approval of Duke Energy Florida, LLC's Clean Energy Impact

Program; Docket 20220202-EI

Dear Mr. Teitzman:

On behalf of Duke Energy Florida, LLC ("DEF"), please find enclosed for electronic filing:

- Amended Petition for Approval of DEF's Clean Energy Impact Program, A New Renewable Energy Certificates (REC) Buying Program;
- Exhibit A Legislative Format Tariffs (Twenty-Seventh Revised-6.100 and Original Sheets 6.420 and 6.421);
- Exhibit B Clean Format Tariffs (Twenty-Seventh Revised-6.100 and Original Sheets 6.420 and 6.421); and
- Exhibit C Tariff Sheet Changes between Original Petition and this Amended Petition.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. Should have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (727) 820-4692.

Sincerely,

/s/ Dianne M. Triplett

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**Enclosures** 

#### BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Amended Petition for approval of Duke

Energy Florida, LLC's New Clean Energy Impact Program

Docket No. 20220202-EI

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# AMENDED PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA, LLC'S NEW CLEAN ENERGY IMPACT PROGRAM, A NEW RENEWABLE ENERGY CERTIFICATES (REC) BUYING PROGRAM

Pursuant to Rules 25-9.004 and 28-106.201, Florida Administrative Code, Duke Energy Florida, LLC ("DEF" or "the Company") hereby submits this amended petition to request this Commission for approval of DEF's new optional Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) program called Clean Energy Impact that provides customers the option to purchase renewable attributes from some of the Company's renewable energy resource facilities. DEF is amending its original Petition, filed in November 2022, to make certain clarifications and changes to its program in response to questions raised by Commission Staff. In support of this Amended Petition, DEF states as follows:

#### I. Background and Preliminary Information

1. The Petitioner's name and address are:

Duke Energy Florida, LLC 299 1st Avenue North St. Petersburg, Florida 33701

2. Any pleading, motion, notice, order, or other document required to be served upon DEF or filed by any party to this proceeding should be served upon the following individuals:

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3. DEF is the utility primarily affected by the request in this Amended Petition.

DEF is an investor-owned electric utility, regulated by the Commission, and is a wholly-owned

subsidiary of Duke Energy Corporation. The Company's principal place of business is located at

299 1st Avenue North, St. Petersburg, Florida 33701. DEF serves approximately 1.9 million

retail customers in Florida.

4. This Amended Petition is being filed consistent with Rule 28-106.201, F.A.C.

The agency affected is the Florida Public Service Commission, located at 2540 Shumard Oak

Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399. This case does not involve reversal or modification of an

agency decision or an agency's proposed action. Therefore, subparagraph (c) and portions of

subparagraphs (b), (e), (f), and (g) of subsection (2) of that rule are not applicable to this

Amended Petition. In compliance with subparagraph (d), DEF states that it is not known at this

time which, if any, of the issues of material fact set forth in the body of this Amended Petition

may be disputed by any others who may plan to participate in this proceeding.

**II.** Program Details

5. DEF owns and operates a total of 13 solar facilities, for the benefit of its

customers. These solar facilities are separate and apart from the solar facilities built under the

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Clean Energy Connection (CEC) program<sup>1</sup>. The non-CEC solar facilities are generating various renewable attributes, including RECs, but those RECs are not currently being utilized or sold. In addition, in the future, DEF may add other renewable energy resources to its system, and those facilities may similarly generate renewable attributes. Selling these RECs to our customers will generate revenue for DEF's general body of customers, while also providing participating customers with a way to meet their sustainability goals and support local renewable energy. DEF will set the REC price annually, using the average REC price from the previous 12-month period.

6. The Program is voluntary and allows customers to select blocks of capacity from a DEF-owned renewable resource. DEF will set aside ten percent of the capacity for residential customers, while the remaining capacity will be available to non-residential customers on a first-come, first-served basis. If the full ten percent capacity for residential capacity is not fully purchased by residential customers within 90 days of the end of each calendar year, the additional capacity will be made available to non-residential customers. Likewise, if residential customers purchase more than the 10 percent set-aside during the year, residential customers will be allowed to purchase additional capacity, if available. Additional details are set forth in the tariff sheets, attached as Exhibits A (legislative) and B (clean) to this Petition, specifically Section No. VI, Original Sheet Nos. 6.420 – 6.421, and Section No. VI, Twenty-Seventh Revised Sheet No. 6.100. For ease of reference, DEF has also included a new Exhibit C to reflect the changes to the tariff sheet that are proposed in this Amended Petition, as compared to the tariffs submitted with its original Petition. DEF respectfully requests approval of a tariff to reflect this

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<sup>[1]</sup> The CEC program was approved in Docket Number 20200176-EI and is a voluntary subscription program whereby customers can pay a subscription fee in exchange for bill credits and RECs. The CEC program included ten 74.9 MW solar facilities. This Petition, with the new proposed Clean Energy Impact Program, does not involve the sale of any RECs from the CEC facilities.

new Program, so that it can make the Program available cost effectively to all customers, including residential customers. Without a tariff, DEF would not be able to add the cost, as a separate line item, to the customer's bill. From an administrative perspective, we would not be able to make smaller REC sales to residential or smaller business customers, without having the ability to add the transaction to the bill. Beyond administrative efficiency, we also believe it is our customers' preference to handle these transactions on bill.

- 7. Participating customers can cancel with thirty days' notice to the Company. The Company also reserves the right to terminate this Program at any time, with approval of the Commission. This option protects DEF's customers in case the administrative burden associated with the Program is too large considering the value that all customers receive. It also protects DEF's customers if there is a change in law such that it would be better for DEF's customers for DEF to retain the RECs.
- 8. DEF will flow any revenues realized from sales of RECs under this new Program, including administrative revenues net of program costs, through the annual Fuel and Capacity Cost Recovery Clause proceeding. As part of that annual clause filing, DEF will provide a brief summary of annual sales, by customer class, of RECs for the previous year.
- 9. For the reasons stated above, DEF requests approval of this new Program, effective upon the Commission's issuance of a written order approving the Program. It will provide customers an additional way to access renewable energy, with any revenue going to base rates which is expected to benefit all customers.

WHEREFORE, DEF respectfully requests the Commission approve this Amended Petition and its Program, as reflected in Section No. VI, Original Sheet Nos. 6.420 - 6.421, and

Section No. VI, Twenty-Seventh Revised Sheet No. 6.100 of DEF's Retail Tariff Rate Schedule as set forth in Exhibits A and B attached hereto.

Respectfully submitted,

#### /s/ Dianne M. Triplett

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

Docket No. 20220202-EI

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished via electronic mail to the following this 14<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2023.

| /s/ Dianne M. Triplett |  |
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| Attorney               |  |

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## **EXHIBIT A**

## **Legislative Format Tariffs**

(1 copy)

Twenty-Seventh Revised Sheet No. 6.100

Original Sheet Nos. 6.420 - 6.421



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## RATE SCHEDULE CEI-1 CLEAN ENERGY IMPACT PROGRAM

#### Availability:

This optional Clean Energy Impact Program (the "Program") provides customers the option to foster and promote the use of renewable energy through the purchase of renewable energy attributes from Duke Energy Florida (Company) owned Renewable Energy Resources. This Program is available on a voluntary first come, first served basis to residential and non-residential customers, receiving concurrent service from the Company who contract for a block(s) of Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) generated from Renewable Energy Resources. The maximum number of customers served under this Program shall be determined by the maximum number of blocks of RECs available for purchase through the Program. This Program is not available for temporary service or for resale service. This Program shall remain open to eligible customers pursuant to the Program's terms and conditions.

#### **Definitions:**

Renewable Energy Resources: For the purposes of this Program, Renewable Energy Resources shall include generation resources owned by the Company tied to the Company's grid which generate energy from renewable resources, such as solar photovoltaic (PV) facilities and wind facilities. The RECs purchased under the Program may be derived from any combination of different Renewable Energy Resources which fosters a blend of renewable energy.

Renewable Energy Certificates: RECs shall mean tradable units that represent the commodity formed by unbundling the environmental attributes of a unit of renewable or environmentally friendly energy from the underlying electricity. One REC would be equivalent to the environmental attributes of one MWH (1,000 kWh) of electricity from a renewable or environmentally friendly generation source.

#### Applicable:

This optional Program is offered in conjunction with the applicable rates, terms, and conditions under which the customer takes service from the Company.

Residential Customers: Residential customers, will be offered RECs in block increments sized at 250 kWh per block, which is a quarter of 1 REC (1,000 kWh). Residential customers may purchase as many blocks of RECs as they choose, with a minimum monthly purchase of 1 block.

Residential customers shall elect to participate in the Program by completing the request at the Company's electronic platform located at www.duke-energy.com or by verbally requesting participation to a Company representative. Upon request by the Customer, the Company shall prepare a service confirmation (the "Service Confirmation") that shall specify the number of blocks and price to be purchased monthly. The Service Confirmation shall be provided to customer for Program. The Service Confirmation shall remain in effect for the term stated therein and shall automatically renew unless the customer notifies the Company of their intent to be removed from the Program. The customer may terminate the Service Confirmation at any time by providing the Company not less than thirty (30) days' notice of its desire to cancel its participation in this rider.

Residential customers will not be eligible to enroll in the Program if within the last 12 months, the customer has:

- 1) Defaulted on a payment arrangement;
- Entered into a multi-month payment arrangement;
- 3) Had a payment that was not honored by a financial institution; or
- 4) Been disconnected for non-payment of electric service.

Non-Residential Customers: Non-Residential customers must purchase a minimum of 1,000 RECs annually. For non-residential customers interested in purchases above the 1,000 REC minimum, RECs shall be offered in 1 REC increments. There is no upper limit to the number of RECs that individual non-residential customers may purchase, though there may be the possibility for a customer's requested REC amount being unavailable at time of purchase if the demand for RECs exceeds the available supply.

Non-residential customers in Company's service territory may purchase RECs as a standalone product, separate from their standard electric service by entering into a Service Agreement, which will be drafted by the Company. The stand-alone product will be offered on an annual basis, subject to availability. The Service Agreement shall be for a term of up to 5-years, subject to credit approval and availability.

If non-residential customers elect to be billed monthly for Program REC purchases in conjunction with their monthly electric service bill, they will not be eligible to enroll in the program if within the last 12 months, the customer has:

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The Company shall display the annual calculation of the customer cost of RECs (and blocks of RECs) on its website, within the Clean Energy Impact webpage:

Residential page: https://www.duke-energy.com/home/products/clean-energy-impact/

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The Rate shall apply to the customer's bill regardless of the customer's actual kilowatt-hour consumption.

#### **Special Provisions:**

- 1. The Company reserves the right to terminate this Program at any time.
- Participants may be terminated from the Program by Company if the customer becomes delinquent on the Program. The
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- 3. RECs generated by the Renewable Energy Resources portfolio shall be retired by the Company on behalf of all residential participants on a yearly basis. Non-residential RECs will be retired in the customer's name. The retirement of RECs will be done in the North American Registry (NAR). RECs will not be retired until payment from the customer has been confirmed. The Company will provide documentation of the REC retirement upon request by the customer. The Company will solely retain all claims related to its ownership, maintenance, facility procurement, and generation of the energy from DEF-owned Renewable Energy Resources, as well as the emissions, fuel, and all other impacts, benefits, reductions, displacements, and/or offsets occurring on the Company's system in connection with the generation, facility procurement, and use of the energy from Renewable Energy Resources to serve the Company's system or customers.
- 4. The Company will reserve 10% of the Program's estimated available RECs annually to be purchased by residential customers. If this 10% is not fully purchased by residential customers by the end of the third quarter each year (September 30), then the available RECs within this residential allocation will become for sale to all customers through year-end. The same will apply for the capacity reserved for business customers if not subscribed to by September 30 that the RECs could become available to residential customers. Otherwise, RECs are available on a first come, first-served basis. The Company may, in its discretion, implement an annual random selection process system and/or a wait list if it determines that the demand for RECs exceeds the supply. RECs will be retired by the Company on behalf of program participants annually.

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## **EXHIBIT C**

Tariff Sheet Changes between Original Petition and this Amended Petition



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#### Availability:

This optional Clean Energy Impact Program (the "Program") provides customers the option to foster and promote the use of renewable energy through the purchase of renewable energy attributes from Duke Energy Florida (Company) owned Renewable Energy Resources. This Program is available on a voluntary first come, first served basis to residential and non-residential customers, receiving concurrent service from the Company who contract for a block(s) of Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) generated from Renewable Energy Resources. The maximum number of customers served under this Program shall be determined by the maximum number of blocks of RECs available for purchase through the Program. This Program is not available for temporary service or for resale service. This Program shall remain open to eligible customers pursuant to the Program's terms and conditions.

RATE SCHEDULE CEL-1 **CLEAN ENERGY IMPACT PROGRAM** 

#### Definitions:

Renewable Energy Resources: For the purposes of this Program, Renewable Energy Resources shall include generation resources owned by the Company tied to the Company's grid which generate energy from renewable resources, such as solar photovoltaic (PV) facilities and wind facilities. The RECs purchased under the Program may be derived from any combination of different Renewable Energy Resources which fosters a blend of renewable energy.

Renewable Energy Certificates: RECs shall mean tradable units that represent the commodity formed by unbundling the environmental attributes of a unit of renewable or environmentally friendly energy from the underlying electricity. One REC would be equivalent to the environmental attributes of one MWH (1,000 kWh) of electricity from a renewable or environmentally friendly deneration source

#### Applicable:

This optional Program is offered in conjunction with the applicable rates, terms, and conditions under which the customer takes service from the Company.

Residential Customers: Residential customers, will be offered RECs in block increments sized at 250 kWh per block, which is a guarter of 1 REC (1,000 kWh). Residential customers may purchase as many blocks of RECs as they choose, with a minimum monthly

Residential customers shall elect to participate in the Program by completing the request at the Company's electronic platform located at www.duke-energy.com or by verbally requesting participation to a Company representative. Upon request by the Customer, the Company shall prepare a service confirmation (the "Service Confirmation") that shall specify the number of blocks and price to be purchased monthly. The Service Confirmation shall be provided to customer for Program, The Service Confirmation shall remain in effect for the term stated therein and shall automatically renew unless the customer notifies the Company of their intent to be removed from the Program. The customer may terminate the Service Confirmation at any time by providing the Company not less than thirty (30) days' notice of its desire to cancel its participation in this rider.

Residential customers will not be eligible to enroll in the Program if within the last 12 months, the customer has

- Defaulted on a payment arrangement:
- Entered into a multi-month payment arrangement;
- Had a payment that was not honored by a financial institution; or
- Been disconnected for non-payment of electric service.

Non-Residential Customers: Non-Residential customers must purchase a minimum of 1,000 RECs annually. For non-residential customers interested in purchases above the 1,000 REC minimum, RECs shall be offered in 1 REC increments. There is no upper limit to the number of RECs that individual non-residential customers may purchase, though there may be the possibility for a customer's requested REC amount being unavailable at time of purchase if the demand for RECs exceeds the available supply.

Non-residential customers in Company's service territory may purchase RECs as a standalone product, separate from their standard electric service by entering into a Service Agreement, which will be drafted by the Company. The stand-alone product will be offered on subject to availability. The Service Agreement shall be for a term of up to 5-years, subject to credit approval and

If non-residential customers elect to be billed monthly for Program REC purchases in conjunction with their monthly electric service bill, they will not be eligible to enroll in the program if within the last 12 months, the customer has:

- Defaulted on a payment arrangement;
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Block of Renewable Energy Certificate: A block of RECs shall be sized at either 250 kWh or 1,000 kWh, as further defined below.under the Rate.¶

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#### RATE SCHEDULE CEI-1 CLEAN ENERGY IMPACT PROGRAM (Continued from Page No. 1)

#### Rate:

In addition to all other charges stated in the applicable Schedule with which this Program is used, the following charge shall also apply to each block the customer purchases:

The cost of blocks of RECs to customers will be set annually beginning when Commission approval of the Program is received. The annual REC price will be based on the monthly average of the applicable REC market rate (from the tradeable market) for the previous 12 months. In addition to the average market rate, the REC price will also include an administrative fee, which will not exceed 20% of the related average market rate per REC. For residential customers, the block price will equal one quarter of the REC price plus administrative fee described above.

The administrative fee will be reviewed annually to evaluate if fees collected matched the administrative expenses. If they do not match, the administrative fee will be adjusted the following year, but will never exceed 20% of the applicable annual average market rate per REC. The Company may bill non-residential customers separately for REC purchases on a quarterly or annual basis, not on their Duke Energy bill.

The Company shall display the annual calculation of the customer cost of RECs (and blocks of RECs) on its website, within the Clean Energy Impact webpage:

Residential page: https://www.duke-energy.com/home/products/clean-energy-impact/

Non-Residential page: https://www.duke-energy.com/business/products/clean-energy-impact/

The Rate shall apply to the customer's bill regardless of the customer's actual kilowatt-hour consumption.

#### Special Provisions:

- I. The Company reserves the right to terminate this Program at any time.
- Participants may be terminated from the Program by Company if the customer becomes delinquent on the Program. The Company
  reserves the right to remove customers from the Program who do not pay Program fees for two consecutive months or who start
  bankruptcy proceedings. The Company also reserves the right to remove customers that enter a payment arrangement plan.
- RECs generated by the Renewable Energy Resources portfolio shall be retired by the Company on behalf of all residential participants on a yearly basis. Non-residential RECs will be retired in the customer's name. The retirement of RECs will be done in the North American Registry (NAR). RECs will not be retired until payment from the customer has been confirmed. The Company will provide documentation of the REC retirement upon request by the customer the Company will solely retain all claims related to its ownership, maintenance, facility procurement, and generation of the energy from DEFowned Renewable Energy Resources, as well as the emissions, fuel, and all other impacts, benefits, reductions, displacements, and/or offsets occurring on the Company's system in connection with the generation, facility procurement, and use of the energy from Renewable Energy Resources to serve the Company's system or customers.
- 4. The Company will reserve 10% of the Program's estimated available RECs annually to be purchased by residential customers. If this 10% is not fully purchased by residential customers by the end of the third quarter each year (September 30), then the available RECs within this residential allocation will become for sale to all customers through year-end. The same will apply for the capacity reserved for business customers if not subscribed to by September 30 that the RECs could become available to residential customers. Otherwise, RECs are available on a first come, first-served basis. The Company may, in its discretion, implement an annual random selection process system and/or a wait list if it determines that the demand for RECs exceeds the supply. RECs will be retired by the Company on behalf of program participants annually.

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The Company will be the sole owner and retain the right to each of the following: ¶

The right to make claims and report to any governmental authority or other party under any compliance, voluntary, trading, or reporting program, or for purposes of publicity, advertising, or otherwise that the Company purchased a Renewable Energy Resource or generated and delivered energy from its Renewable Energy Resources to serve its customers.¶

¶ All claims and reporting rights concerning the Company's electrical and generation system, including without limitation, avoided generation, avoided purchases, avoided emissions or emission reductions, avoided fuel or fuel reductions on Company's system. As well as all claims concerning or relating to the Company's displacement of capacity or energy that would otherwise have been generated or purchased by the Company, including displacements relating to such displacements of capacity or energy.¶

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