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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

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

Re: *Fuel and purchased power cost recovery clause with generating performance incentive factor; Docket No. 20230001-EI*

Dear Mr. Teitzman:

Please find enclosed for electronic filing on behalf of Duke Energy Florida, LLC (“DEF”), DEF’s First Request for Extension of Confidential Classification concerning certain information contained in DEF’s Response to OPC’s Second Set of Interrogatories (Nos. 11-16) and OPC’s Second Request to Produce (Nos. 5-16), filed in docket no. 20220001-EI and Revised Exhibit D, Affidavit of Anthony Salvarezza. The original Request included Exhibits A, B, and C (document number 02513-2022).

There are no changes to the original Request’s Exhibit A consisting of the confidential unredacted documents, Exhibit B containing two (2) redacted copies of the confidential document, or Exhibit C containing a justification table in support of DEF’s original Request. The aforementioned exhibits remain on file with the Clerk.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. Please feel free to call me at (850) 521-1428 should you have any questions concerning this filing

Respectfully,

/s/Matthew R. Bernier

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Enclosures

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Fuel and purchased power cost
recovery clause with generating performance
incentive factor.

Docket No. 20230001-EI

Dated: October 20, 2023

**DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA LLC'S
FIRST REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION**

Duke Energy Florida, LLC (“DEF” or “Company”), pursuant to Section 366.093, Florida Statutes (F.S.), and Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), submits its First Request for Extension of Confidential Classification for certain information provided in provided in its response to the Office of the Public Counsel’s (“OPC”) Second Set of Interrogatories (Nos. 11-26) and OPC’s Second Request to Produce Documents (Nos. 5-16), filed in docket number 20220001.

In support of this Request, DEF states:

1. On April 18, 2022, DEF filed a Request for Confidential Classification (document number 02513-2022) regarding certain information contained in DEF’s Responses to OPC’s Second Set of Interrogatories (Nos. 11-26) , specifically question 13, and OPC’s Second Request to Produce Documents (Nos. 5-16), specifically questions 5, 7, and 10, as it contains information that is “confidential proprietary business information” under Section 366.093(3), Florida Statutes.

2. DEF’s April 18, 2022 Request was granted by Order No. PSC-2022-0161-CFO-EI on April 27, 2022. The period of confidential treatment granted by that order will expire on October 27, 2023. The information continues to warrant treatment as “proprietary confidential business

information within the meaning of Section 366.093(3), F.S. Accordingly, DEF is filing its First Request for Extension of Confidential Classification.

3. DEF submits that the confidential information contained in DEF's Responses to OPC's Second Set of Interrogatories (Nos. 11-26) , specifically question 13, and OPC's Second Request to Produce Documents (Nos. 5-16), specifically questions 5, 7, and 10, identified in Exhibit "A" and Exhibit "C" to the April 18, 2022, Request¹ continues to be "proprietary confidential business information" within the meaning of section 366.093(3), F.S. and continue to require confidential classification. *See* Affidavit of Anthony Salvarezza at ¶¶3-5, attached as Revised Exhibit "D". This information is intended to be and is treated as confidential by the Company. The information has not been disclosed to the public. Pursuant to section 366.093(1), F.S., such materials are entitled to confidential treatment and are exempt from the disclosure provisions of the Public Records Act. *See* Affidavit of Anthony Salvarezza ¶¶ 5-6.

4. Nothing has changed since the issuance of Order No. PSC- 2022-0161-CFO-EI on April 27, 2022, to render the information stale or public such that continued confidential treatment would not be appropriate. Upon a finding by the Commission that this information continues to be "proprietary confidential business information," it should continue to be treated as such for an additional period of at least 18 months and should be returned to DEF as soon as the information is no longer necessary for the Commission to conduct its business. *See* §366.093(4), F.S.

5. WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, DEF respectfully requests that this First Request for Extension of Confidential Classification be granted.

¹ DEF hereby incorporates Exhibits A, B, and C to the original Request, Document No. 02513-2022 submitted on April 18, 2022 in Docket Number 20220001-EI as if attached hereto

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 20th day of October, 2023.

/s/Matthew R. Bernier

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Docket No. 20230001-EI

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished via email this 20th day of October, 2023, to all parties of record as indicated below.

/s/Matthew R. Bernier

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Exhibit A

“CONFIDENTIAL”
(on file)

Exhibit B

REDACTED

(on file)

Exhibit C

DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA Confidentiality Justification Matrix (on file)

**Revised
Exhibit D**

**AFFIDAVIT OF
ANTHONY SALVAREZZA**

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Fuel and purchased power cost recovery
Clause with generating performance incentive
Factor

Docket No. 20230001-EI

Dated: October 20, 2023

**AFFIDAVIT OF ANTHONY SALVAREZZA IN SUPPORT OF
DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA'S
FIRST REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION**

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF PINELLAS

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority duly authorized to administer oaths, personally appeared Anthony Salvarezza, who being first duly sworn, on oath deposes and says that:

1. My name is Anthony Salvarezza. I am over the age of 18 years old, and I have been authorized by Duke Energy Florida (hereinafter "DEF" or the "Company") to give this affidavit in the above-styled proceeding on DEF's behalf and in support of DEF's First Request for Extension of Confidential Classification (the "Request"). The facts attested to in my affidavit are based upon my personal knowledge.

2. I am the General Manager of Regional Services. I am responsible for leading and directing project engineering, project management, outage management, business planning and specialized maintenance in Regulated and Renewable Energy. My major duties and responsibilities include providing safe, reliable, efficient, economic, environmental, and regulatory compliant maintenance activities through the development and implementation of processes and programs.

3. DEF is seeking its first extension of confidential classification for certain information contained in DEF's Response to OPC's Second Set of Interrogatories (Nos. 11-26) and OPC's Second Request for Production of Documents (Nos. 5-16). There are no changes to the information contained in DEF's confidential Exhibit A, redacted Exhibit B, and justification matrix C. The referenced Exhibits are on file with the Clerk. DEF is requesting an extension of confidential classification of this information because it contains sensitive business information, the disclosure of which would impair the Company's competitive business and ability to contract for goods and services on favorable terms.

4. The confidential information at issue relates to proprietary third-party and technical information regarding the third-party's proprietary component design and operation parameters, the disclosure of which would impair the third-party's competitive business interests, and if disclosed, the Company's competitive business interests and efforts to contract for goods or services on favorable terms. In order to contract with third-party vendors on favorable terms, DEF must keep third-party proprietary information confidential.

5. Further, if DEF cannot demonstrate to its third-party vendors and others that may enter contracts with DEF in the future, that DEF has the ability to protect those third parties' confidential and proprietary business information, third parties will be less likely to provide that information to DEF – harming DEF's ability to prudently operate its business. DEF has not publicly disclosed the information. Without DEF's measures to maintain the confidentiality of this sensitive business information, DEF's ability to contract with third parties could detrimentally impact DEF's ability to negotiate favorable contracts, as third parties may begin to demand a "premium" to do business with DEF to account for the risk that its proprietary

information will become a matter of public record, thereby harming DEF's competitive interests and ultimately its customers' financial interests.

6. Upon receipt of its own confidential information, strict procedures are established and followed to maintain the confidentiality of the terms of the documents and information provided, including restricting access to those persons who need the information to assist the Company, and restricting the number of, and access to the information and contracts. At no time since receiving the information in question has the Company publicly disclosed that information. The Company has treated and continues to treat the information at issue as confidential.

7. This concludes my affidavit.

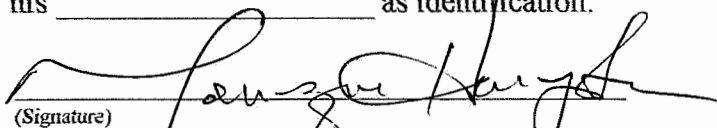
Further affiant sayeth not.

Dated the 17th day of OCTOBER, 2023.



(Signature)
Anthony Salvarezza
General Manager - Regional Services

THE FOREGOING INSTRUMENT was sworn to and subscribed before me this 17th day of October, 2023 by Anthony Salvarezza. He is personally known to me or has produced his _____ driver's license, or his _____ as identification.



(Signature)
Monique Hampton
(Printed Name)

(AFFIX NOTARIAL SEAL)

NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF _____

(Commission Expiration Date)

(Serial Number, If Any)

