

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition for rate increase, by
Duke Energy Florida, LLC.

Docket No. 20240025-EI

Dated: March 12, 2024

**DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA, LLC'S
RESPONSE TO FLORIDA RISING AND LULAC'S PETITION TO INTERVENE**

Duke Energy Florida, LLC, ("DEF") by and through its undersigned counsel hereby responds to the Petition to Intervene filed by Florida Rising and League of United Latin American Citizens of Florida ("LULAC"), and in support thereof states as follows:

1. On March 6, 2024, Florida Rising and LULAC filed a Petition to Intervene in docket number 20240025-EI.
2. In its Petition, Florida Rising and LULAC allege they have standing because they have a substantial number of members in DEF's service territory which will be substantially affected by the outcome of this proceeding.
3. DEF reserves the right to test Florida Rising and LULAC's allegations of associational standing in discovery, should the Commission approve its intervention in that capacity.

WHEREFORE, DEF respectfully requests that should the Commission grant Florida Rising and LULAC's Petition to Intervene, that the Commission allow DEF to test Florida Rising and LULAC's associational standing in discovery.

Respectfully submitted this 12th day of March, 2024.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished by electronic mail this 12th day of March, 2024, to the following:

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