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VIA ELECTRONIC DELIVERY

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

Re: 2024 Ten-Year Site Plan Data Request #2; Undocketed

Dear Mr. Teitzman:

Please find enclosed for filing, Duke Energy Florida, LLC's Response to Staff's Data Request #2, question 1, issued on May 9, 2024, regarding DEF's 2024 TYSP.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter and if you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (850) 521-1425.

Sincerely,

/s/ Stephanie A. Cuello

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SAC/clg Attachments

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DEF's Response to Staff's Data Request #2 Regarding the 2024 Ten Year Site Plan; Ouestion 1

1. Please refer to DEF's 2024 Ten-Year Site Plan, Schedule 2.2 (Base Case), Column (8) "Total Sales to Ultimate Customers" and Schedule 2.3 (Base Case), Column (6) "Total Number of Customers." Table 1 below reflects portions of these schedules with staff's calculations of the incremental changes in sales and customer numbers. Please explain the reasons behind the projected decrease in sales with a projected increase in customer numbers for 2024.

| Table 1: DEF's Incremental Changes in Customer Numbers and Sales | | | | |
|--|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|
| | Schedule 2.2.1 (Base) | | Schedule 2.3.1 (Base) | |
| Year | Column (8) | | Column (6) | |
| | | Incremental | | Incremental |
| | Total Sales to Ultimate | Change | Total Number of | Change |
| | Customers (GWH) | | Customers | |
| 2023 | 40,832 | | 1,968,221 | |
| 2024 | 40,063 | -1.88% | 1,996,557 | 1.44% |

RESPONSE:

The historical "Total Sales to Ultimate Customers" are the actual billed sales. The weather normalized total retail sales for 2023 was 39,926 GWH. Because 2023 was hotter than normal, actual billed sales were 2.2% higher than the weather normalized billed sales. Accounting for weather normalization, Total Sales to Ultimate Customers in 2024 continue to grow by 0.34%. Additionally, while total customer count continues to grow, so does solar adoption and energy efficiency which drives down average use per customer.