In re: Petition for rate increase by Docket No. 20240025-EI

Duke Energy Florida, LLC.

Dated: August 2, 2024

NOTICE OF FILING VERIFIED AFFIDAVITS IN SUPPORT OF DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA, LLC'S REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION

Duke Energy Florida, LLC, ("DEF") hereby gives notice of filing the verified Affidavits of Reginald Anderson, Benjamin Borsch and Shannon Caldwell, in support of DEF's Request for Confidential Classification, submitted on June 6, 2024 (document number 04668-2024), regarding its Response to OPC's Eleventh Set of Interrogatories (Nos. 277-316) and Eleventh Request for Production of Documents (Nos. 106-138), this 2nd day of August, 2024

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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AFFIDAVIT OF REGINALD D. ANDERSON IN SUPPORT OF DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA, LLC'S REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF PINELLAS

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

- 1. My name is Reginald D. Anderson. 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 Request for Confidential Classification (the "Request"). The facts attested to in my affidavit are based upon my personal knowledge.
 - 2. I am employed by DEF as Vice President, Power Generation.
- 3. As Vice President of DEF's Power Generation organization, I am responsible for providing overall leadership and strategic and tactical planning over employees in DEF's Power Generation organization. In this role, I oversee generation projects, major maintenance programs, outage and project management, fleet retirement strategy, and workforce planning (including

departmental staffing and long-term strategies such as organizational alignment, design, retention, and inclusion). I am responsible for billions of dollars in assets including capital and operating and maintenance budgets, and I lead the development of regional succession planning.

- 4. DEF is seeking confidential classification for information contained in response to the Office of the Public Counsel's ("OPC") Eleventh Set of Interrogatories, Question 299. A detailed description of the confidential information at issue is contained in Exhibit A to DEF's Request and is outlined in DEF's Confidentiality Justification Matrix that is attached to DEF's Request as Exhibit C. DEF is requesting confidential classification of this confidential information for the reasons set forth below.
- 5. Documents produced in response to OPC's Eleventh Set of Interrogatories, Question 299, contain confidential information. Specifically, those documents contain internal salary information, disclosure of which would impair the efforts of DEF to negotiate on favorable terms. Additionally, if the information at issue was disclosed, DEF's efforts to obtain employees at a competitive rate that provides economic value to both DEF and its customers could be compromised. With this non-public information, employers and potential hires could alter their behavior to the detriment of DEF and its customers. Absent confidential classification, competitors would have access to this sensitive business information, which may impair DEF's ability to effectively hire employees at a competitive rate (and, thus, to contract for goods and services on favorable terms).
- 6. Upon receipt of 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 DEF. At no time since receiving the information in question has DEF publicly disclosed that information. DEF has

treated and continues to treat the information at issue as confidential.

| 7. | This | concludes | mv | affidavit. |
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Dated the 12th day of the 12th (Signature)
Reginald D. Anderson
Vice President, Power Generation

Duke Energy Florida, LLC

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AFFIDAVIT OF BENJAMIN H. BORSCH IN SUPPORT OF DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA, LLC'S REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF PINELLAS

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

- 1. My name is Benjamin H. Borsch. 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 Request for Confidential Classification (the "Request"). The facts attested to in my affidavit are based upon my personal knowledge.
- 2. I am employed by DEF as Managing Director of Integrated Resource Planning and Analytics.
- 3. As Managing Director of Integrated Resource Planning and Analytics, I am responsible for directing the resource planning process for DEF in an integrated approach in order to find the most cost-effective alternatives to meet DEF's obligation to serve its customers in

Florida. In this capacity, I oversee numerous studies to evaluate the system impact and cost effectiveness of various proposed and alternative generation projects. I oversee the completion of DEF's Ten-Year Site Plan ("TYSP") filed each April.

- 4. DEF is seeking confidential classification for information contained in response to the Office of Public Counsel's ("OPC") Eleventh Request for Production of Documents, Questions 112, 122, and 126, and OPC's Eleventh Set of Interrogatories, Question 285. A detailed description of the confidential information at issue is contained in Exhibit A to DEF's Request and is outlined in DEF's Confidentiality Justification Matrix that is attached to DEF's Request as Exhibit C. DEF is requesting confidential classification of this confidential information for the reasons set forth below.
- Documents produced in response to OPC's Eleventh Request for Production of Documents, Questions 112, 122, and 126, and OPC's Eleventh Set of Interrogatories, Question 285, contain confidential information. Specifically, those documents contain sensitive business information regarding DEF's employment forecasts, demand forecasts, sales forecasts, and load forecasts. These forecasts are proprietary and relate to DEF's competitive business interests. Absent confidential classification, disclosure of that information would impair DEF's ability to compete in the marketplace.
- 6. Upon receipt of 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 DEF. At no time since receiving the information in question has DEF publicly disclosed that information. DEF has treated and continues to treat the information at issue as confidential.
 - 7. This concludes my affidavit.

| | (Signature) Benjamin H. Borsch Managing Director, Integrated Resource Planning and Analytics Duke Energy Florida, LLC |
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| THE FOREGOING INSTRUMENT | was sworn to and subscribed before me this little day |
| of June, 2024 by Benjamin H. Bors | ch. He is personally known to me or has produced his |
| driver's license, or | his as identification. |
| (AFFIX NOTARIAL SEAL) | (Signature) Monique to |
| MONIQUE HAMPTOM MY COMMISSION # HH 368082 EXPIRES: June 28, 2027 | (Commission Expiration Date) (Serial Number, If Any) |

Further affiant sayeth not.

Dated the 11 day of June, 2024.

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Dated: June 6, 2024

AFFIDAVIT OF SHANNON CALDWELL IN SUPPORT OF DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA, LLC'S REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF MECKLENBURG

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

- My name is Shannon Caldwell. I am over the age of 18 years old, and I have been 1. 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 Request for Confidential Classification (the "Request"). The facts attested to in my affidavit are based upon my personal knowledge.
- 2. I am a Director of Compensation of Duke Energy Business Services LLC. That section provides various administrative and other services to Duke Energy, DEF, and other affiliated companies of Duke Energy Corporation.
- As the Director of Compensation, I am responsible for broad-based compensation 3. for Duke Energy, including all of Duke Energy's affiliated regulated and non-regulated companies,

like DEF. I am responsible for compensation design and strategy, management of key vendor relationships, compensation administration and compliance.

- 4. DEF is seeking confidential classification for information contained in documents produced in response to the Office of Public Counsel's ("OPC") Eleventh Set of Interrogatories, Questions 306 and 314. A detailed description of the confidential information at issue is contained in confidential Exhibit A to DEF's Request and is outlined in DEF's Confidentiality Justification Matrix that is attached to DEF's Request as Exhibit C. DEF is requesting confidential classification of this information for the reasons set forth below.
- Documents produced in response to the OPC's Eleventh Set of Interrogatories, Questions 306 and 316, contain internal sensitive business information that relates to internal compensation procedures and incentive plans, the disclosure of which would impair the efforts of DEF to negotiate on favorable terms. Additionally, if the information at issue was disclosed, DEF's efforts to obtain employees at a competitive rate that provides economic value to both DEF and its customers could be compromised. With this non-public information, employers and potential hires could alter their behavior to the detriment of DEF and its customers. Absent confidential classification, competitors would have access to this sensitive business information, which may impair DEF's ability to effectively hire employees at a competitive rate (and, thus, to contract for goods and services on favorable terms).
- 6. Upon receipt of 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 DEF. At no time since receiving the information in question has DEF publicly disclosed that information. DEF has treated and continues to treat the information at issue as confidential.

| Further affiant sayeth not. | | | | |
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| Dated the day of | 2024. | | | |
| | Summon. Caldwell (Signature) Shannon Caldwell Director, Compensation Duke Energy Business Services, LLC | | | |
| | ENT was sworn to and subscribed before me this 1st day | | | |
| of July 2024 by Shannon Caldwell. She is personally known to me or has produced her | | | | |
| driver's licens | e, or her as identification. | | | |
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