

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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

Docket No. 20240025-EI

Dated: August 9, 2024

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

Duke Energy Florida, LLC, ("DEF") hereby gives notice of filing the verified Affidavit of Benjamin M. H. Borsch in support of DEF's Request for Confidential Classification, submitted on July 15, 2024 (document number 07554-2024), regarding its 2024 Settlement Agreement, this 9th day of August, 2024

Respectfully submitted,

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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 9th day of August, 2024, to the following:

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**AFFIDAVIT OF BENJAMIN M. H. BORSCH IN SUPPORT OF
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STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF PINELLAS

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

1. My name is Benjamin M. 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 its 2024 Settlement Agreement. 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. A portion of the information in the 2024 Settlement Agreement contains confidential information. Specifically, the information contains forecasted revenue requirements associated with a potential acquisition. That information is proprietary and relates 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.

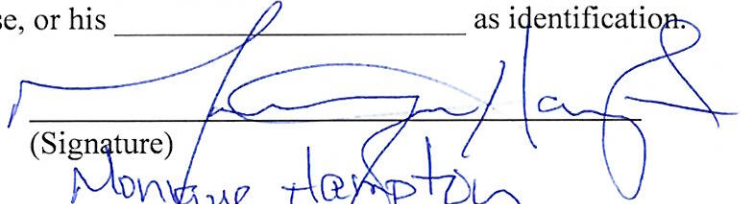
Further affiant sayeth not.

Dated the 16th day of July, 2024.


(Signature)
Benjamin M. H. Borsch

Managing Director, Integrated Resource Planning
and Analytics
Duke Energy Florida, LLC

THE FOREGOING INSTRUMENT was sworn to and subscribed before me this 16th day
of July, 2024 by Benjamin M. H. Borsch. He is personally known to me or has produced
his _____ driver's license, or his _____ as identification.



(Signature)

(Printed Name)

NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF _____

(AFFIX NOTARIAL SEAL)



(Commission Expiration Date)

(Serial Number, If Any)