

IN RE: Planning hearings on load forecasts) generation expansion plans, and cogenera-) tion prices for Peninsular Florida's) electric utilities.

Dockst No. 900004-EU

STATEMENT OF ISSUES AND POSITIONS

Pursuant to the directive of Prehearing Officer Michael McK. Wilson on October 19, 1990, Air Products and Chemicals, Inc. files the following statement of issues and positions and states:

1. What is the purpose and effect of the subscription limit?

AIR PRODUCTS -The purpose of the subscription limit is to limit the amount of power purchased by investor-owned utilities (FPL, TECO and FPC) from qualifying facilities (QFs) pursuant to standard offer contracts based upon the statewide avoided unit. The limitations imposed by the subscription limit are three: the in-service date of the QF, the amount of MW purchased and the purchase price. First, the in-service date of the qualifying facility can be no later than that of the statewide avoided unit. Second, investor-owned utilities are required to purchase no more standard offer power than the MW associated with the statewide avoided unit. Third, the price pail will be based on the statewide avoided unit as approved by the Commission.

To insure that investor-owned utilities have the ability to pursue other more compatible capacity acquisition options (negotiated cogeneration agreements, off-system utility purchases), the subscription limit must be capped at the number of MW associated with the statewide avoided unit (i.e., 500 MW) even if that means accepting only part of a proposed standard offer project.

What is the effect of queuing contracts for subscription limit purposes?

AIR PRODUCTS - Queuing a contract acts as a preliminary approval of the standard offer contract(s) which fall(s) within the que. Conversely, those contracts which do not fall within the 500 MW limit established by the subscription limit are invalid and of no force and effect.

The placement of a contract in the que does not create a presumption of need for the project which has the standard offer contract, i.e., does not mean that the

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placement of a project in the que will result in its need application under the Power Plant Siting Act being "rubber stamped".

That being the case, utility generation expansion plans should only model standard offer and negotiated contract QFs which have received both contract and need approval.

3. Which contracts should be considered candidates for filling the current 500 MW subscription limit?

AIR PRODUCTS - No position.

4. On what basis should the contracts to fill the 500 MW subscription limit be selected?

AIR PRODUCTS - On September 25, 1990 Air Products listed the criteria which it believes should be used to prioritize the standard offer contracts which have been filed against the 1996 500 MW coal unit. Air Products incorporates our position in that document in response to this issue.

5. What is the order of priority of those contracts before the Commission?

AIR PRODUCTS - No position.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the STATEMENT OF ISSUES AND POSITIONS filed by Tom Tomasello on behalf of Air Products and Chemicals, Inc. has been furnished by hand delivery to MICHAEL PALECKI, FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, DIVISION OF LEGAL SERVICES, 101 EAST GAINES STREET, TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA 32399 and by hand delivery (*) or U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, to the following this 2446 day of October, 1990.

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