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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Environmental cost recovery clause.

DOCKET NO. 980007-EI

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STAFF'S PRELIMINARY LIST OF ISSUES

Pursuant to Order No. PSC-98-1185-PCO-EI, issued September 4, 1998, establishing the prehearing procedure in this docket, the Staff of the Florida Public Service Commission hereby files its Preliminary List of Issues and Positions.

Generic Environmental Cost Recovery Issues

ISSUE 1: What are the estimated environmental cost recovery true-up amounts for the period October, 1997, through December, 1998? (for Florida Power & Light Company and Gulf Power Company only)

ISSUE 1A: What are the estimated environmental cost recovery true-up amounts for the period April, 1998, through December, 1998? (for Tampa Electric Company only)

ISSUE 2: What are the appropriate projected environmental cost recovery amounts for the period January, 1999, through December, 1999?

ISSUE 3: What is the appropriate recovery period to collect the total environmental cost recovery true-up amounts?

ISSUE 4: What should be the effective date of the environmental cost recovery factors for billing purposes?

ISSUE 5: What depreciation rates should be used to develop the depreciation expense included in the total environmental cost recovery true-up amounts to be collected?

ISSUE 6: What are the appropriate Environmental Cost Recovery Factors for the period January, 1999, through December, 1999, for each rate group?

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**ISSUE 7:** Should the Commission require utilities to petition for approval of recovery of new projects through the Environmental Cost Recovery Clause at least three months prior to the due date for projection filing testimony?

**Company - Specific Environmental Cost Recovery Issues**

**Florida Power & Light Company**

**ISSUE 8:** Should the Commission approve Florida Power & Light Company's request for recovery of costs of the Wastewater/Stormwater Discharge Elimination Project through the Environmental Cost Recovery Clause?

**ISSUE 8A:** What changes should be made to the method for calculating the return on average net investment for Environmental Cost Recovery Clause projects as established by Order No. PSC-97-1047-FOF-EI?

**Gulf Power Company**

**ISSUE 9:** Should the Commission approve Gulf Power Company's request for recovery of costs of the Crist Units 4-7 Ash Pond Diversion Curtains project through the Environmental Cost Recovery Clause?

**ISSUE 9A:** How should the newly proposed environmental costs for the Crist Units 4-7 Ash Pond Diversion Curtains project be allocated to the rate classes?

**ISSUE 9B:** Is it appropriate for Gulf Power Company to recover costs for low NO<sub>x</sub> burner tips on Plant Smith Units 1 and 2 through the Environmental Cost Recovery Clause?

**ISSUE 9C:** How should environmental costs for the low NO<sub>x</sub> burner tips on Plant Smith Units 1 and 2 be allocated to the rate classes?

**ISSUE 9D:** Is it appropriate for Gulf Power Company to recover costs for the purchase of an additional mobile groundwater treatment system through the Environmental Cost Recovery Clause?

**ISSUE 9E:** What adjustment, if any, should be made to the Environmental Cost Recovery Clause to reflect an amount which may be in base rates for the costs of the underground fuel storage tanks which have been replaced by aboveground fuel storage tanks as reported in Audit Disclosure No. 1 of the Florida Public Service Commission's Environmental Cost Recovery Clause Audit Report for the Period Ended September 30, 1997?

Tampa Electric Company

**ISSUE 10:** Should the Commission approve Tampa Electric Company's request for recovery of costs of the Big Bend Unit 1 Classifier Replacement project through the Environmental Cost Recovery Clause?

**ISSUE 10A:** How should the newly proposed environmental costs for the Big Bend Unit 1 Classifier Replacement project be allocated to the rate classes?

**ISSUE 10B:** Should the Commission approve Tampa Electric Company's request for recovery of costs of the Big Bend Unit 2 Classifier Replacement project through the Environmental Cost Recovery Clause?

**ISSUE 10C:** How should the newly proposed environmental costs for the Big Bend Unit 2 Classifier Replacement project be allocated to the rate classes?

**ISSUE 10D:** Should the Commission approve Tampa Electric Company's request for recovery of costs of the Gannon Unit 5 Classifier Addition project through the Environmental Cost Recovery Clause?

**ISSUE 10E:** How should the newly proposed environmental costs for the Gannon Unit 5 Classifier Addition project be allocated to the rate classes?

- ISSUE 10F:** Should the Commission approve Tampa Electric Company's request for recovery of costs of the Gannon Unit 6 Classifier Addition project through the Environmental Cost Recovery Clause?
- ISSUE 10G:** How should the newly proposed environmental costs for the Gannon Unit 6 Classifier Addition project be allocated to the rate classes?
- ISSUE 10H:** Should the Commission approve Tampa Electric Company's request for recovery of costs of the Gannon Coal Crusher project through the Environmental Cost Recovery Clause?
- ISSUE 10I:** How should the newly proposed environmental costs for the Gannon Coal Crusher project be allocated to the rate classes?
- ISSUE 10J:** Should the Commission approve Tampa Electric Company's request for recovery of costs of the Gannon Unit 5 Stack Extensions project through the Environmental Cost Recovery Clause?
- ISSUE 10K:** How should the newly proposed environmental costs for the Gannon Unit 5 Stack Extensions project be allocated to the rate classes?
- ISSUE 10L:** Should the Commission approve Tampa Electric Company's request for recovery of costs of the Gannon Unit 6 Stack Extensions project through the Environmental Cost Recovery Clause?
- ISSUE 10M:** How should the newly proposed environmental costs for the Gannon Unit 6 Stack Extensions project be allocated to the rate classes?
- ISSUE 10N:** Should the Commission approve Tampa Electric Company's request for recovery of costs of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Annual Surveillance Fees through the Environmental Cost Recovery Clause?

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**ISSUE 100:** How should the newly proposed environmental costs for the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Annual Surveillance Fees be allocated to the rate classes?

Dated this 22nd day of October, 1998.

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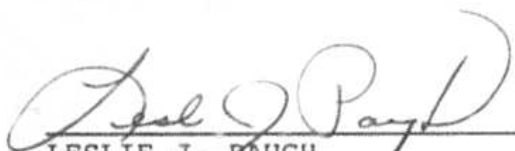
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