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RE: Docket No. 981890-EU - Investigation into the aggregate electric utility reserve margins planned for Peninsular Florida.

By this memorandum, we are requesting permission to file a recommendation in this docket no later than 4:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 21, 1999, for consideration at the July 27, 1999, Agenda Conference. On June 30, 1999, a Status Conference/Preliminary Prehearing Conference was held pursuant to Order No. PSC-99-1229-PCO-EU. During the Conference, several of the parties raised issues challenging the nature of this docket as an investigation being conducted as a formal evidentiary hearing. On July 1, 1999, Order No. PSC-99-1274-PCO-EU was issued ordering that the docket shall proceed as a formal evidentiary proceeding, defining the scope of the proceeding and establishing the issues in the docket. On July 9, 1999, and July 12, 1999, Florida Power Corporation and Florida Power & Light Company, respectively, filed Motions For Reconsideration of Order No. PSC-99-1274-PCO-EU. Responsive pleadings to the Motions For Reconsideration are due to be filed by July 19, 1999.

The hearing in this docket is scheduled for November 2-3, 1999. Utility and intervenor testimony are due to be filed on August 18, 1999. Staff is concerned that if the Motions For Reconsideration are not heard at the July 27th Agenda Conference, the proceeding may have to be rescheduled to a later date. Because of the importance of the issues to be addressed in the docket, it is preferred that the docket remain on its current hearing schedule. Therefore, staff believes that a late-filed recommendation is appropriate.

cc: Division of Electric and Gas (Bass, Floyd, Haff, Kummer)

OK JCB & Chairman
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Recommended approval MMB

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