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April 19, 2000 VIA Hand Delivery

Blanca S. Bayo, Director Division of Records and Reporting Betty Easley Conference Center 4075 Esplanade Way Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0870

Re:

Docket No.991779-El

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing and distribution are the original and 15 copies of:

The Florida Industrial Power Users Group's Prehearing Statement.

Also enclosed is a disk with the Prehearing Statement on it.

Please acknowledge receipt of the above on the extra copies enclosed herein and return them to me. Thank you for your assistance.

Yours truly,

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#### BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Review of the appropriate application of incentives to wholesale power sales by investor-owned electric utilities.

Docket No. 991779-EI

Filed: April 19, 2000

# The Florida Industrial Power Users Group Prehearing Statement

Pursuant to Order No. PSC-00-0195-PCO-EI, The Florida Industrial Power Users Group (FIPUG) files its Prehearing Statement.

#### A. APPEARANCES:

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On Behalf of the Florida Industrial Power Users Group.

## **B. WITNESSES:**

None.

#### C. EXHIBITS.

None.

### **D. STATEMENT OF BASIC POSITION:**

#### FIPUG's Statement of Basic Position:

Utilities should not be provided with an additional incentive to do what they are required to do pursuant to statute and Commission rules and orders. FIPUG believes additional compensation for a specific utility management responsibility should not be permitted. As a fundamental proposition, utilities should prudently manage all aspects of their business and be willing to do so in return for regulated returns.

## **E. STATEMENT OF ISSUES AND POSITIONS:**

1. ISSUE: Should the Commission provide for stockholder incentives to encourage non-separated, non-firm, wholesale sales?

**FIPUG:** No. No additional incentive should be provided in order for utilities to perform their required managerial duties.

2. ISSUE: If a stockholder incentive is approved in Issue 1, what types of non-separated, non-firm, wholesale sales should be eligible to receive the stockholder incentive?

**FIPUG:** No incentive should be provided; however, if the Commission does provide an incentive it should apply *only* to broker sales as is supposed to be the current practice.

3. ISSUE: If a stockholder incentive is approved in Issue 1, how should the incentive be structured?

FIPUG: No incentive should be provided; however, if the Commission does provide an incentive, it should be even-handed; that is there should be a penalty as well as an incentive.

## F. STIPULATED ISSUES:

None.

## **G. PENDING MOTIONS:**

FIPUG has no pending motions.

## **H. OTHER MATTERS:**

None at this time.

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#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing FIPUG Prehearing Statement has been furnished by (\*) hand delivery or U.S. Mail to the following parties of record this 19<sup>th</sup> day of April 2000:

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