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-VIA TELECOPY AND U.S. MAIL-

W. Cochran Keating, IV, Esquire Division of Legal Services Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re: Docket No. 010944-EI

Dear Cochran:

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STR SCR SPC PAI RGO SEC SER STH Late yesterday afternoon, I received a copy of Mark Sundback's July 26, 2001, letter to you concerning service of the South Florida Hospital and Healthcare Association's ("SFHHA") Complaint on Florida Power & Light Company. I am writing to respond to Mr. Sundback's letter.

As stated in my July 26 letter to you, FPL obtained a copy of the Complaint from the Commission Clerk's office. The Complaint has no certificate of service attesting that it was served on FPL. And, while the Complaint states in ¶26 that it "is lodged against Florida Power & Light Company," nowhere does it state that a copy was served or otherwise sent to FPL. Neither this firm nor FPL's Tallahassee office received a copy of the Complaint from SFHHA or its counsel. This is in spite of the fact that the companion pleading filed by SFHHA in Docket No. 001148-EI, entitled "Request of South Florida Hospital and Healthcare Association, *Et Al.*, for Clarification, or in the Alternative, Reconsideration," was served on FPL's Tallahassee office (both this firm and FPL's Tallahassee office are on the Commission's list of "parties of record and interested persons" for Docket No. 001148-EI).

Nonetheless, following receipt of Mr. Sundback's letter yesterday, FPL has conducted a further search to determine if a copy of the Complaint was received by anyone at FPL's Juno Beach office, which address appears in the aforementioned ¶26. FPL has determined that a copy of the Complaint apparently was received at that address, although FPL cannot determine the date it was received.

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FPL will file and serve its response to the Complaint on July 31, 2001, as previously agreed, which is twenty days after the Complaint was filed with the Commission, plus the customary five days for service by mail.

Sincerely,

John T. Butler, P.A.

cc: Ms. Blanca Bayó, Director of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services Mark F. Sundback, Esquire, Andrews & Kurth LLP