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### VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS

Thomas D. Hall, Clerk Supreme Court of Florida 500 South Duval Street Tallahassee, FL 32399

Re: South Florida Hospital and Healthcare Association, et al. vs.

Lila A. Jaber, et al., Case No. SC02-1023

Dear Mr. Hall:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced case is the original of the Motion of Florida Power & Light Company for Authorized House Counsel to Appear on its Behalf, together with an additional copy which I ask that you stamp and return to me in the enclosed self-addressed stamped envelope. If you require any additional copies of this motion, please feel free to contact me.

Respectfully submitted,

John T. Butler, P.A.

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### IN THE SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA

SOUTH FLORIDA HOSPITAL AND HEALTHCARE ASSOCIATION et al.,

Appellants,

CASE NO. SC02-1023

v.

LILA A. JABER, et al.,

Appellees.

# MOTION OF FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY FOR AUTHORIZED HOUSE COUNSEL TO APPEAR ON ITS BEHALF

Appellee Florida Power & Light Company ("FPL") hereby requests permission for its Authorized House Counsel, R. Wade Litchfield, to appear on FPL's behalf in this appeal. In support of its motion, FPL states as follows:

- 1. FPL is a public utility subject to the jurisdiction of the Florida Public Service Commission ("FPSC") under Chapter 366, Florida Statutes. This case involves the appeal of an FPSC order affecting the retail electric rates of FPL.
  - 2. Mr. Litchfield is employed by FPL as an attorney in its Law Department.
- 3. As demonstrated in the affidavit of Mr. Litchfield attached hereto, he (i) is an attorney admitted to practice in the States of New York and Louisiana; (ii) has practiced extensively before regulatory agencies and authorities; and (iii) has represented parties in appeals of decisions by such regulatory agencies and authorities.
- 4. Mr. Litchfield's affidavit further reflects that he has been certified by this Court as Authorized House Counsel pursuant to Chapter 17 of the Rules Regulating the Florida Bar. As such, Mr. Litchfield is subject to the Rules Regulating the Florida Bar and to the jurisdiction of

the Supreme Court of Florida for disciplinary purposes. He has reviewed the Rules Regulating

the Florida Bar and agrees to abide by same.

5. Finally, Mr. Litchfield's affidavit reflects that, pursuant to Florida Administrative

Code Rule 28-106.106, Mr. Litchfield was admitted by the FPSC as a "Qualified Representative"

to represent FPL in the FPSC proceeding from which this appeal has been taken.

6. Pursuant to Rule Regulating the Florida Bar 17-1.3, an Authorized House Counsel

may appear as counsel before a court if the Authorized House Counsel is specially admitted by

such court.

7. If this motion is granted, Mr. Litchfield will appear as co-counsel to FPL with the

undersigned counsel. As demonstrated by the affidavit of Mr. Litchfield, he possesses the

necessary qualifications to represent FPL's interests responsibly and effectively in this appeal.

WHEREFORE, FPL respectfully requests that the Court grant its motion and permit R.

Wade Litchfield to appear as counsel on its behalf in this appeal.

Respectfully submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was furnished by U.S. mail this 2nd day of August, 2002 to the following parties of record:

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COUNTY OF PALM BEACH	)	

**BEFORE ME**, the undersigned authority, personally appeared R. Wade Litchfield who, being first duly sworn, did depose and say:

1. My name is R. Wade Litchfield. I am currently employed by Florida Power & Light Company ("FPL") as Senior Attorney. My business address and telephone number are as

follows:

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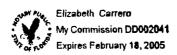
- 2. I have personal knowledge of the matters stated in this affidavit.
- 3. I am an attorney, admitted to the practice of law in the State of New York and in the State of Louisiana. I have practiced extensively before the Louisiana Public Service Commission, and the Council for the City of New Orleans, in matters relating to the regulation of utilities. Representing both gas and electric utilities, I have made appearances and participated in numerous regulatory proceedings before these and other regulatory agencies and

authorities. I have represented parties in appeals of decisions by such regulatory agencies and authorities.

- 4. I have been certified by the Supreme Court of Florida as "Authorized House Counsel" pursuant to Chapter 17 of the Rules Regulating the Florida Bar. Accordingly, I am subject to the Rules Regulating the Florida Bar and to the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of Florida for disciplinary purposes. I have reviewed the Rules Regulating the Florida Bar and agree to abide by same.
  - 5. Affiant says nothing further.

R. Wade Litchfield

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 15 day of August 2002, by R. Wade Litchfield, who is personally known to me, and who did take an oath.



Notary Public, State of Florida

My Commission Expires: