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#### BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Joint Petition to Determine )
Need For the Gainesville Renewable )
Energy Center in Alachua County )
By Gainesville Regional Utilities )
and Gainesville Renewable Energy )
FILED: March 30, 2010
Center, LLC.

## GAINESVILLE REGIONAL UTILITIES' AND GAINESVILLE RENEWABLE ENERGY CENTER, LLC'S REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION - RESPONSE TO STAFF'S INTERROGATORY NO. 114

Gainesville Regional Utilities ("GRU") and Gainesville

Renewable Energy Center, LLC ("GREC LLC"), collectively referred

to as "Petitioners," pursuant to Section 366.093, Florida

Statutes (F.S.), and Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code

(F.A.C.), submit this Request for Confidential Classification of

certain information provided in the response to Staff's

Interrogatory No. 114. In support of this Request, Petitioners

state:

On March 19, 2010, the Commission Staff served their

Classification.) Rather than file a separate Notice of Intent to Request Confidential Classification for confidential information contained in the response to Staff's Interrogatory No. 114, the Petitioners are submitting this Request.

- 2. The information for which Petitioners seek confidential classification is confidential summary information regarding the net present value of GRU's projected payments, and the levelized cost of electricity, under different scenarios for the in-service date of the GREC Project, for resale of 50MW of the Project's capacity and output, and for carbon regulation costs and for costs associated with potential renewable portfolio standards or similar regulatory requirements. The subject information reflects the confidential, proprietary, business information of GREC LLC, the disclosure of which would cause harm to GREC LLC's competitive business interests. Additionally, the information is also regarded as trade secret information by GREC LLC, and accordingly, the public disclosure of the information is prohibited by Section 812.081(2), Florida Statutes.
- 3. The following exhibits are included with this revised request:
  - a. Exhibit A is a table that identifies the portions of the response to Interrogatory No. 114 for which Petitioners seek confidential classification and

- the specific basis for seeking confidential treatment;
- b. Exhibit B includes two copies of a redacted version of the response to Interrogatory No. 114 for which Petitioners request confidential classification. The specific information for which confidential treatment is requested has been blocked out by opaque marker or other means;
- C. Exhibit C is an unredacted copy of the response to Interrogatory No. 114 for which Petitioners seek confidential treatment. Exhibit C is being submitted separately in a sealed envelope labeled "CONFIDENTIAL." In the unredacted version, the information asserted to be confidential is highlighted in yellow; and
- d. Exhibit D is the affidavit of Joshua H. Levine of GREC LLC submitted in compliance with Rule 25-22.006(4)(d), F.A.C., and in support of the Petitioners' request; because of logistical considerations, the affidavit will be filed on March 31, 2010.
- 4. The information described above and identified on Exhibit "A" qualifies for confidential classification under Section 366.093(3), Florida Statutes. In addition to the GREC

Project, GREC LLC is developing other biomass projects in Florida and elsewhere, and GREC LLC is currently in discussions with other utilities in the State of Florida regarding agreements to sell power from such facilities. The highlighted information in the tables provided in response to Interrogatory No. 114 includes the projected contract payments to be made by GRU to GREC LLC, as well as information that, if disclosed, could be used to compute or "reverse engineer" the contract payments. The disclosure of this confidential information would harm GREC LLC's competitive business interests.

- 5. The information for which confidentiality is sought through this Revised Request satisfies the requirements of Section 366.093, Florida Statutes, because:
  - a. it is owned and controlled by GREC LLC;
  - b. it is intended to be and is treated by GREC LLC as its private, confidential, proprietary, trade secret business information;
  - c. it has not been disclosed to anyone outside GREC LLC except pursuant to confidentiality agreements or legal process;
  - d. disclosure of the information would impair the competitive business interests of GREC LLC by revealing to its business competitors GREC LLC's confidential pricing information, which would

enable GREC LLC's business competitors to compete against GREC LLC to its detriment, including by enabling such competitors to "reverse engineer" proprietary pricing structure information that GREC LLC developed and negotiated specifically in the power purchase agreement between GREC LLC and GRU;

- e. disclosure of the information would impair GREC

  LLC's competitive business interests by revealing
  to other potential purchasers of power from
  projects being developed by GREC LLC and its
  affiliates confidential pricing information which
  could be used to establish a "floor" from which
  such other potential purchasers could negotiate
  against GREC LLC; and
- f. disclosure of the information would impair GREC LLC's competitive business interests by revealing, to potential vendors upon which GREC LLC must rely for goods and services necessary to its performance under the power purchase agreement between GREC LLC and GRU, information that would adversely impact GREC LLC's ability to contract for such necessary goods and services on favorable terms.

Accordingly, the information is entitled to confidential classification pursuant to Section 366.093(3)(d) and (e), Florida Statutes, as well as protected from public disclosure by Section 815.045, Florida Statutes, and by Section 812.081(2), Florida Statutes.

6. Petitioners request that the information identified above be classified as "proprietary confidential business information" within the meaning of Section 366.093(3), Florida Statutes; that the information remain confidential for a period of at least 18 months as provided in Section 366.093(4), Florida Statutes; and that the information be returned as soon as it is no longer necessary for the Commission to conduct its business.

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, Petitioners respectfully request that this Request for Confidential Classification be granted.

Respectfully submitted this  $\underline{30th}$  day of March, 2010.

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#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been served by electronic mail and hand delivery (\*) or U.S. Mail this 30th day of March, 2010, on the following:

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EXHIBIT A

JUSTIFICATION FOR CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT OF INFORMATION

DOCUMENT	PAGE NO.	SECTION/DEFINITION / PORTION OF PAGE	STATUTORY JUSTIFICATION
Petitioners' Response to Staff's Interrogatory No. 114	Page 5 of responses	The six columns of numeric data headed GRU Native Assets, Market, and GREC	§ 366.093(3)(d)&(e), Fla. Stat. – confidential, proprietary business information §§ 812.081(2) & 815.045, Fla. Stat trade secret information
Petitioners' Response to Staff's Interrogatory No. 114	Page 6 of responses	The six columns of numeric data headed GRU Native Assets, Market, and GREC	§ 366.093(3)(d)&(e), Fla. Stat. – confidential, proprietary business information §§ 812.081(2) & 815.045, Fla. Stat trade secret information
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Petitioners' Response to Staff's Interrogatory No. 114	Page 20 of responses	The six columns of numeric data headed GRU Native Assets, Market, and GREC	§ 366.093(3)(d)&(e), Fla. Stat. – confidential, proprietary business information §§ 812.081(2) & 815.045, Fla. Stat trade secret information
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#### **EXHIBIT C**

### UNREDACTED, CONFIDENTIAL RESPONSE TO STAFF'S INTERROGATORY NO. 114

#### **EXHIBIT D**

# AFFIDAVIT OF JOSHUA H. LEVINE IN SUPPORT OF REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION

WILL BE FILED ON MARCH 31, 2010

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DATE, March 24 2040

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TO:	Scheff Wrigth, Young Law Firm
FROM:	Ruth Nettles, Office of Commission Clerk
RE:	Acknowledgement of Receipt of Confidential Filing

This will acknowledge receipt of a CONFIDENTIAL DOCUMENT filed in Docket Number 090451 or, if filed in an undocketed matter, concerning certain information provided in response to staff's Interrogatory Nos. 114, provided on hard copy and CD, and filed on behalf of Gainesville Regional Utilities. The document will be maintained in locked storage.

If you have any questions regarding this document, please contact Kim Peña, Records Management Assistant, at (850) 413-6393.

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