BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO TARIFF SHEET NOS. 6.280 THROUGH 6.284 AND APPROVE ORIGINAL TARIFF SHEET NO. 6.2811 IN RATE SCHEDULE LS-1, LIGHTING SERVICE BY PROGRESS ENERGY FLORIDA, INC.

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ITEM NO. 4

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CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: All right. That all being said, let's move on to Item Number 4.

MS. ROBERTS: Good morning, Commissioners.

My name is Arlisha Roberts; I'm here representing

Item 4 for Commission staff.

Item 4 is a request by Progress Energy to add LED lighting to its LS-1 rate schedule, and to make any changes to their associated tariffs that has been affected by these additions. In addition to adding the LED lighting tariffs, they are also adding two new sodium vapor units, six new metal halide units, and going to restrict six previous halide units that the new ones are going to replace, due to new technology.

I am available to answer any questions that staff (sic) may have. We also have a representative here from Progress that can assist in answering any questions.

CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: All right. Sounds good.

Mr. Burnett, do you have any words for us?

MR. BURNETT: Good morning, Commissioners;

good morning, sir. John Burnett on behalf of

Progress Energy Florida. I have with me Sally

Judah, who is our Manager of Lighting Services, and

Nancy Holdstein, who is in charge of our Rate and Tariff Department, and we are here to answer any questions that you may have today. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: All right. Thank you.

All right, we'll bring it back here to the board. Any questions?

Mr. Balbis.

COMMISSIONER BALBIS: Thank you, Mr. Chair.

I have a few questions, first for staff.

As far as including an LED light in a tariff sheet,
how many other utilities that we regulate include an
LED light in the tariff sheet?

MS. ROBERTS: At this point, I checked with the other four IOUs that we regulate, Progress is going to be the first one to offer the LED lighting units. None of the other companies offer them as of yet.

COMMISSIONER BALBIS: Okay. And I'm glad to see that Progress is including it. I understand that it is at the request of, I believe, DOT, and I think we should encourage all the other utilities for including the LED lights, since they do have some efficiencies to be gained in power usage.

But I do have a couple questions, it's

more towards the implementation of this program, and more towards how a customer can request the use of an LED light and what the process is on how they are chosen, et cetera, if you can kind of explain how that would work.

MR. BURNETT: Yes, sir, Commissioner; thank you.

At this time, we are adding, or we are proposing to add five different types of LED lighting, and the selection process for those have been customer driven at this point. We have had three major customers who have expressed interest in LED lighting at this time, and that would be Stetson University, the City of Seminole, and the City of St. Petersburg. So working with those entities, we found out what they want the most and what they are interested in, what technologies they are looking at for their lighting. And that is what has led to the lighting that's on here now.

Now, we also have an existing provision in our tariff that allows us to add a lighting fixture type that is not on there, and there is a formula for that. But since these five types that we have had expressed interest with entities who are ready to do this now, that's what led to the selection of

these.

COMMISSIONER BALBIS: Okay. So as far as doing a retrofit process, you know, my concern is that if a LED light is selected, maybe on a wattage-per-wattage basis, obviously you wouldn't get the energy conservation you would expect. So are these retrofits, or are these new projects? And just walk me through the retrofit process.

MR. BURNETT: Yes, sir. And if I get out of my technical capability, I hope Ms. Judah will punch me here. But, a couple of things. For instance, from what we understand from Stetson, Stetson, at this point, is looking at net new applications, so all their new lighting will be LED. So they are going to be building a greenfield site. And with that where, for example, where they may have required 150 watt high pressure sodium, they will be moving now to approximately a 95 watt LED. So that's just an example of how that would compare on the wattage basis.

For retrofit, that's a little bit different, of course, to where you have the existing structure. The pole is generally the same, but when you get up to the luminary on top, that's where you do most of the work. So it's basically replacing

that high pressure sodium sort of containment system with the sodium gas and the igniter with the digital LED system. So that's the biggest part of the retrofit.

commissioner Balbis: And the actual selection of the LED light for the retrofit, that would be based on some sort of lighting tool to match it, so that, again, you realize that energy savings rather than just swapping out wattage for wattage, is that correct?

MR. BURNETT: Yes, sir. And if you want any more detail about how that process works, I know Ms. Judah can explain to you for lighting profile of what you are looking to get out of the light. As far as the footprint on the ground and that, I will probably pass it to her at this point, Commissioner.

MS. JUDAH: Good morning. Part of our selection criteria in looking at the LEDs that we were going to bring on our tariff was the closest existing to the photometric output of our existing, so that we could relate one-for-one and not have to do a lot of pole changes to make sure that the dark and light and uniformity weren't impacted by the changes.

COMMISSIONER BALBIS: Okay. Again, I'm

1	assured then that they are going through the proper
2	process, again, just to make sure that, you know, if
3	a customer requests, you know, due to the expected
4	efficiencies in LED light, that a comprehensive
5	analysis is performed. And, again, I'm glad to see
6	Progress taking the lead on this, and I think that
7	with the other utilities, I think it's important to
8	offer an LED fixture to municipalities or other
9	customers that may request it. So I'm glad to see
10	that Progress is doing it, and with that I won't
11	have any further questions.
12	CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: Was that a motion?
13	COMMISSIONER BALBIS: That is a motion to
14	approve staff's recommendation.
15	CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: It has been moved and
16	seconded.
17	Any further discussion?
18	Seeing none, all in favor say aye.
19	(Vote taken.)
20	CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: Those opposed?
21	By your action you have approved Item
22	Number 4.
23	Thank you very much.
24	COMMISSIONER EDGAR: You blew right by me,
25	Mr. Chairman. (Laughter.)

CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: Oh. COMMISSIONER EDGAR: But I was going to vote for it. I was just going to point out that although we often for tariffs use the file and suspend option, and this time we did not. CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: That's true. COMMISSIONER EDGAR: And doing it within the 60 days, so -- thank you. CHAIRMAN GRAHAM: Thank you.

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