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Attached for electronic filing, please find Florida Public Utilities Company's Prehearing Statement, along with a copy of the filing in native format. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

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b. Docket No. 110001-EI - In re: Fuel and purchased power cost recovery clause with generating performance incentive factor.

c. On behalf of: Florida Public Utilities Company

- d. File 1 (PDF): 9 pages, includes cover page File 2 (Word): 8 pages
- e. Description: FPUC's Prehearing Statement



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Ms. Ann Cole Commission Clerk Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re: Docket No. 110001-EI - Fuel and purchased power cost recovery clause with generating performance incentive factor.

Dear Ms. Cole:

Attached for filing in the referenced Docket, please find Florida Public Utilities Company's Prehearing Statement in the referenced Docket. A copy of this filing in native Word format is also included.

Thank you for your assistance with this filing. If you have any questions whatsoever, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Sincerely,

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Fuel and purchased power cost recovery clause with generating performance incentive factor. DATED: October 10, 2011

FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMPANY'S PREHEARING STATEMENT

Pursuant to Order No. PSC-11-0383-PCO-EI, issued September 12, 2011, Florida Public Utilities Company ("FPUC") files its Prehearing Statement.

WitnessSubjectIssueCurtis D. YoungFinal True Up 20108Curtis D. YoungEstimated/Actual
2011(Revised)13A, 8, 9, 10Cheryl MartinProjection for 20123A, 3B, 11, 18,
19, 20, 21, 22, 34

b. <u>All Known Exhibits</u>

All Known Witnesses

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Witness	<u>Exhibit</u>	Title
Young	CDY-1 (Composite)	Final True Up Schedules (Schedules F-1 and M-1 for FPUC's Divisions)
Young	CDY-2 (Composite)	Estimated/Actual (Schedules El-A, El-B, and El-B1 for the Northwest Division and El-A, El-B, and El-B1 for the Northeast Division)(Revised) ²

¹ Revised September 8, 2011.

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² Revised September 8, 2011.

WitnessExhibitTitleMartinCMM-1 (Composite)Schedules El, EIA, E2, E7, and E10 for
the Northwest Division and El, EIA, E2,
E7, E8, and E10 for the Northeast
Division

c. FPUC's Statement of Basic Position

<u>FPUC</u>: The Company has properly projected its costs. Likewise, the Company has calculated its true-up amounts and purchased power cost recovery factors appropriately. As such, the Company would ask that these amounts and factors be approved by the Commission.

d. <u>FPUC's Position on the Issues</u>

COMPANY-SPECIFIC ISSUES – FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES

ISSUE 3A: Is it appropriate for FPUC to include unbilled fuel revenues in its fuel factor calculations for the Northwest and Northeast Divisions?

<u>FPUC's Position</u>: Yes. It is appropriate to include the unbilled fuel revenues that relate to the actual fuel costs for the same period when computing any over-recovery or under-recovery of fuel costs. This treatment provides a permanent benefit to customers and reduces the under recovery of fuel costs attributable to a billing cycle timing difference. (*Martin, Young*)

ISSUE 3B: Is FPUC's proposed method to allocate demand costs to the rate classes appropriate?

<u>FPUC's Position</u>: Yes. The methodology proposed by the Company more accurately reflects the demand usage of customers and thus, more appropriately allocates costs across each rate classification. (*Martin*)

GENERIC FUEL ADJUSTMENT ISSUES

<u>ISSUE 6</u>: What are the appropriate actual benchmark levels for calendar year 2011 for gains on non-separated wholesale energy sales eligible for a shareholder incentive?

<u>FPUC's Position</u>: No position at this time.

ISSUE 7: What are the appropriate estimated benchmark levels for calendar year 2012 for gains on non-separated wholesale energy sales eligible for a shareholder incentive?

FPUC's Position: No position at this time.

ISSUE 8: What are the appropriate fuel adjustment true-up amounts for the period January 2010 through December 2010?

FPUC's Position:

Northwest Division (Marianna): \$885,786 (Overecovery) Northeast Division (Fernandina Beach): \$856,166 (Overrecovery) (Young)

ISSUE 9: What are the appropriate fuel adjustment actual/estimated true-up amounts for the period January 2011 through December 2011?

FPUC's Position:

Northwest Division (Marianna): \$682,002 (Overrecovery) Northeast Division (Fernandina Beach): \$2,292,856 (Overrecovery) (Young)

ISSUE 10: What are the appropriate total fuel adjustment true-up amounts to be collected/refunded from January 2012 to December 2012?

FPUC's Position:

Northwest Division (Marianna): \$1,567,788 (Overrecovery) Northeast Division (Fernandina Beach): \$3,149,022 (Overrecovery) (Young)

ISSUE 11: What are the appropriate projected total fuel and purchased power cost recovery amounts for the period January 2012 through December 2012?

FPUC's Position:

Northwest Division (Marianna): \$34,443,981 Northeast Division (Fernandina Beach): \$40,276,293 (Martin)

FUEL FACTOR CALCULATION ISSUES

ISSUE 18: What are the appropriate projected net fuel and purchased power cost recovery and Generating Performance Incentive amounts to be included in the recovery factor for the period January 2012 through December 2012?

FPUC's Position:

Northwest Division (Marianna): \$34,443,981

Northeast Division (Fernandina Beach): \$40,276,293

(Martin)

ISSUE 19: What is the appropriate revenue tax factor to be applied in calculating each investor-owned electric utility's levelized fuel factor for the projection period January 2012 through December 2012?

FPUC's Position:

Northwest Division (Marianna): 1.00072 Northeast Division (Fernandina Beach): 1.00072 (Martin)

ISSUE 20: What are the appropriate levelized fuel cost recovery factors for the period January 2012 through December 2012?

FPUC's Position:

Northwest Division (Marianna): 6.544¢ /kwh

Northeast Division (Fernandina Beach): 5.961 ¢ /kwh

(Martin)

ISSUE 21: What are the appropriate fuel recovery line loss multipliers to be used in calculating the fuel cost recovery factors charged to each rate class/delivery voltage level class?

FPUC's Position:

Northwest Division (Marianna): 1.0000 (All rate schedules)

Northeast Division (Fernandina Beach): 1.0000 (All rate schedules)

(Martin)

ISSUE 22: What are the appropriate fuel cost recovery factors for each rate class/delivery voltage level class adjusted for line losses?

<u>FPUC's Position</u>: The appropriate levelized fuel adjustment and purchased power cost recovery factors for the period January 2012 through December 2012 for the Northwest Division, adjusted for line loss multipliers and including taxes, are as follows:

Northwest Division

Rate Schedule

Adjustment

RS	\$0.10073	
GS	\$0.10227	
GSD	\$0.10212	
GSLD	\$0.10111	
OL,Oli	\$0.09981	
SL1, SL2, and SL3	\$0.09918	
Step rate for RS	······	

RS with less than 1,000 kWh/month	\$0.09713
RS with more than 1,000 kWh/month	\$0.10713

Consistent with the revised fuel projections for the 2012 period, the appropriate adjusted Time of Use (TOU) and Interruptible rates for the 2012 period are:

Time of Use/Interruptible

Adjustment On Peak	Adjustment Off Peak
\$0.18113	\$0.05813
\$0.14227	\$0.05227
\$0.14212	\$0.06962
\$0.16111	\$0.07111
\$0.08611	\$0.10111
	\$0.18113 \$0.14227 \$0.14212 \$0.16111

The appropriate levelized fuel adjustment and purchased power cost recovery factors for the period January 2012 through December 2012 for the Northeast Division, adjusted for line loss multipliers and including taxes, are as follows:

Northeast Division

Rate Schedule

Adjustment

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23
31
36

SL	\$0.09245
Step rate for RS	
RS with less than 1,000 kWh/month	\$0.08924
RS with more than 1,000 kWh/month	\$0.09924

(Martin)

ISSUE 34: What should be the effective date of the fuel adjustment charge and capacity cost recovery charge for billing purposes?

<u>FPUC's Position</u>: The effective date for FPUC's cost recovery factors should be January 1, 2012, beginning with the first billing cycle for the period January 2012. (Martin)

e. <u>Stipulated Issues</u>

There are no stipulated issues at this time.

f. <u>Pending Motions</u>

FPUC has no pending motions at this time.

g. <u>Pending Confidentiality Claims or Requests</u>

FPUC has no pending requests for confidentiality at this time.

h. Objections to Witness Qualifications as an Expert

FPUC has no objections to any witnesses' qualifications at this time.

i. Compliance with Order No. PSC-11-0383-PCO-EI

FPUC has complied with all requirements of the Order Establishing Procedure entered in this docket.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 10th day of October, 2011.

BY: Det Fule

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