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August 14, 2012

Docket No. 120179-EI – Request for approval of change in rate used to capitalize allowance for funds used during construction (AFUDC) from 7.65% to 6.26%, effective May 1, 2012, by Gulf Power Company.

<u>Issue 1:</u> Should the Commission approve GPC's request to decrease its AFUDC rate from 7.65 percent to 6.26 percent?

Recommendation: Yes. The appropriate AFUDC rate for GPC is 6.26 percent based on a 13-month average capital structure for the period ending April 30, 2012.

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Issue 2: What is the appropriate monthly compounding rate to achieve the requested 6.26 percent annual rate? **Recommendation:** The appropriate monthly compounding rate to maintain an annual rate of 6.26 percent is 0.507272 percent.

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<u>Issue 3:</u> Should the Commission approve GPC's requested effective date of May 1, 2012, for implementing the revised AFUDC rate?

Recommendation: Yes. The revised AFUDC should be effective as of May 1, 2012, for all purposes except for Rule 25-6.0423, F.A.C., Nuclear or Integrated Gasification Combined Cycle Power Plant Cost Recovery. For the purposes of Rule 25-6.0423, F.A.C., 7.48 percent is the appropriate AFUDC rate to be utilized for computing carrying costs for power plant need petitions submitted on or before December 31, 2010.

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Issue 4: Should this docket be closed?

Recommendation: If no person whose substantial interests are affected by the proposed agency action files a protest within 21 days of the issuance of the order, this docket should be closed upon the issuance of a consummating order.

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