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

RE: Docket No. 120002-EG

Dear Ms. Cole:

Enclosed is the Prehearing Statement of Gulf Power Company to be filed in the above referenced docket. Also enclosed is a Compact Disk containing the Prehearing Statement in Microsoft Word.

Sincerely,

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#### BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

IN RE: Conservation Cost Recovery	)	Docket No.	120002-EG
Clause	)	Date Filed:	October 8, 2012
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# PREHEARING STATEMENT OF GULF POWER COMPANY

Gulf Power Company, ("Gulf Power", "Gulf", or "the Company"), by and through its undersigned attorneys, and pursuant to Order No. PSC-12-0062-PCO-EG, issued February 10, 2012, establishing the prehearing procedure in this docket, files this prehearing statement, saying:

#### A. APPEARANCES:

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On behalf of Gulf Power Company.

B. WITNESSES: All witnesses known at this time, who may be called by Gulf Power Company, along with the subject matter and issue numbers which will be covered by the witness' testimony, are as follows:

Witness ( <u>Direct</u> )	Subject Matter	<u>Issues</u>
1. Jennifer L. Todd	True-up; components of Gulf's conservation plan and associated costs; projections and program results	1, 2, 3, 4, 7

# C. EXHIBITS:

Exhibit Number	Witness	<u>Description</u>
(JLT-1)	Todd	Schedules CT - 1 through CT - 6
(JLT-2)	Todd	Schedules C - 1 through C - 6

# D. STATEMENT OF BASIC POSITION

## Gulf Power Company's Statement of Basic Position:

It is the basic position of Gulf Power Company that the proposed ECCR factors present the best estimate of Gulf's Conservation expense at this time for the period January 2013 through December 2013, including the true-up calculations and other adjustments allowed by the Commission.

#### E. STATEMENT OF ISSUES AND POSITIONS

## **Generic Energy Conservation Cost Recovery Issues**

**ISSUE 1:** What are the final conservation cost recovery true-up amounts for the period January 2011 through December 2011?

GULF: Over recovery of \$4,404,080. (Todd)

**ISSUE 2:** What are the total conservation cost recovery amounts to be collected during the period January 2013 through December 2013?

**GULF:** Recovery of \$24,765,353 (excluding revenue taxes). (Todd)

**ISSUE 3:** What are the conservation cost recovery factors for the period January 2013 through December 2013?

GULF: The Company's proposed conservation cost recovery factors by customer class for the period January 2013 through December 2013 are as follows: (Todd)

RATE CLASS	CONSERVATION COST RECOVERY FACTORS ¢/kWh
RS	0.226
RSVP, Tier 1	(2.550)
RSVP, Tier 2	(1.367)
RSVP, Tier 3	5.553
RSVP, Tier 4	49.485
GS	0.223
GSD, GSDT, GSTOU	0.219
LP, LPT	0.210
PX, PXT, RTP, SBS	0.204
OSI, OSII	0.204
OSIII	0.212

**<u>ISSUE 4</u>**: What should be the effective date of the new conservation cost recovery factors for billing purposes?

The new conservation cost recovery factors should be effective beginning with the first billing cycle for January 2013 and thereafter through the last billing cycle for December 2013. The first billing cycle may start before January 1, 2013, and the last cycle may be read after December 31, 2013, so that each customer is billed for twelve months regardless of when the adjustment factor became effective. (Todd)

# **Gulf Power Company Specific Conservation Cost Recovery Issues**

**ISSUE 7**: What are the Residential Service Variable Pricing (RSVP) rate tiers for Gulf

Power Company for the period January 2013 through December 2013?

GULF: The Company's RSVP rate tiers for January 2013 through December 2013 are as

follows: (Todd)

Rate Tier	RSVP ECCR Factor ¢/kWh
P1	(2.550)
P2	(1.367)
P3	5.553
P4	49.485

# Conservation Cost Recovery Issues Raised by Southern Alliance for Clean Energy (SACE)

**ISSUE 1**: Does the utility have a measurement plan in place to ensure that energy savings

associated with its ECCR factors are accurate?

GULF: This issue is not appropriate for inclusion in this docket. The proposed issue relates to measurement of energy savings figures that were approved as part of the Company's Demand Side Management ("DSM") Plan in Docket No. 100154-EG. The Company's approved DSM Plan contains procedures to monitor and evaluate program performance. This is a matter of DSM program design which is outside the scope of this cost recovery docket. SACE introduced similar issues in last year's cost recovery docket, 110002-EG, which were rejected by the Prehearing Officer on the grounds that they were not relevant and beyond the scope of this proceeding. See, Order No. PSC-11-0507-PHO-EG.

**ISSUE 2**: Does the utility have a verification plan in place to ensure that energy savings associated with its ECCR factors are accurate?

GULF: This issue is not appropriate for inclusion in this docket. The proposed issue relates to verification of energy savings figures that were approved as part of the Company's Demand Side Management ("DSM") Plan in Docket No. 100154-EG. The Company's approved DSM Plan contains procedures to monitor and evaluate program performance. This is a matter of DSM program design which is outside the scope of this cost recovery docket. SACE introduced similar issues in last year's cost recovery docket, 110002-EG, which were rejected by the Prehearing

Officer on the grounds that they were not relevant and beyond the scope of this proceeding. <u>See</u>, Order No. PSC-11-0507-PHO-EG.

**ISSUE 3**: Does the utility have an evaluation plan in place to ensure optimal program

impacts and performance?

**<u>GULF</u>**: This issue is not appropriate for inclusion in this docket. The proposed issue

relates to monitoring performance of programs included within the Company's Demand Side Management ("DSM") Plan in Docket No. 100154-EG. The Company's approved DSM Plan contains procedures to monitor and evaluate program performance. This is a matter of DSM program design which is outside the scope of this cost recovery docket. SACE introduced similar issues in last year's cost recovery docket, 110002-EG, which were rejected by the Prehearing Officer on the grounds that they were not relevant and beyond the scope of this proceeding cost recovery proceeding. See, Order No. PSC-11-0507-PHO-EG.

## F. STIPULATED ISSUES

<u>GULF:</u> Yet to be determined. Gulf is willing to stipulate that the testimony of all

witnesses whom no one wishes to cross examine be inserted into the record as though read, cross examination be waived, and the witness's attendance at the

hearing be excused.

# G. PENDING MOTIONS:

**GULF:** None.

#### H. PENDING CONFIDENTIALITY REQUEST:

**GULF:** None.

#### I. OTHER MATTERS:

GULF: To the best knowledge of counsel, Gulf has complied, or is able to comply, with all requirements set forth in the orders on procedure and/or the Commission rules governing this prehearing statement. If other issues are raised for determination at the hearings set for November 5-7, 2012, Gulf respectfully requests an opportunity to submit additional statements of position and, if necessary, file additional testimony.

# Dated this 5<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,

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