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

Dear Ms. Stauffer:

RE: Docket No. 150001-EI

Attached herein are Gulf Power Company's Objections to Citizens' Fourth Set of Interrogatories (Nos. 50-57).

Sincerely,

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Attachments

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Fuel and purchased power cost recovery clause and generating performance incentive factor

Docket No. 150001-EI Dated: September 1, 2015

GULF POWER COMPANY'S OBJECTIONS TO CITIZENS' FOURTH INTERROGATORIES TO GULF POWER (NOS. 50-57)

Pursuant to Fla. Admin. Code R. 28-106.206, Rule 1.340 of the Florida Rules of Civil Procedure, and the Order Establishing Procedure in this matter, Gulf Power Company ("Gulf") hereby serves its objections to Florida Citizens' ("OPC") Fourth Interrogatories to Gulf Power Company (Nos. 50-57, and respectively, and together "the Requests") and states as follows:

GENERAL OBJECTIONS

With respect to any "Definitions" and "Instructions" in OPC's Interrogatories, Gulf objects to any definitions or instructions that are inconsistent with Gulf's discovery obligations under applicable rules. If some question arises as to Gulf's discovery obligations, Gulf will comply with applicable rules and not with any of OPC's definitions that are inconsistent with those rules. Gulf also objects to any request that calls for information that is not within the scope of discovery under the applicable rules and law. Furthermore, Gulf objects to any definition or request that seeks to encompass persons or entities other than Gulf who are not parties to this action and thus are not subject to discovery. Gulf objects to any request that calls for Gulf to perform analyses that it has not otherwise performed and would not normally perform in the ordinary course of its business because there is no such requirement under the applicable rules and law.

Additionally, Gulf generally objects to OPC's requests to the extent that they call for information protected by the attorney-client privilege, the work product doctrine, the accountant-

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client privilege, the trade secret privilege, or any other applicable privilege or protection afforded by law. Gulf will provide a privilege log in accordance with the applicable law or as may be agreed to by the parties to the extent, if at all, that any request calls for the production of privileged or protected information.

Further, in certain circumstances, Gulf may determine upon investigation and analysis that information responsive to certain requests to which objections are not otherwise asserted is confidential and proprietary and should be produced only under an appropriate confidentiality agreement and protective order, if at all. By agreeing to provide such information in response to such a request, Gulf is not waiving its right to insist upon appropriate protection of confidentiality by means of a confidentiality agreement, protective order, or the procedures otherwise provided by law or in the Order Establishing Procedure. Gulf hereby asserts its right to require such protection of any and all information that may qualify for protection under the Florida Rules of Civil Procedure, the Order Establishing Procedure, and all other applicable statutes, rules and legal principles.

Gulf generally objects to OPC's interrogatories to the extent that they call for the production of documents on the ground that such a request is beyond the scope of Rule 1.340 of the Florida Rules of Civil Procedure.

By making these general objections at this time, Gulf does not waive or relinquish its right to assert additional general and specific objections to OPC's discovery at the time Gulf's response is due under the Florida Rules of Civil Procedure and the Order Establishing Procedure. Gulf provides these general objections at this time to comply with the intent of the Order Establishing Procedure to reduce the delay in identifying and resolving any potential discovery disputes.

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SPECIFIC OBJECTIONS

Interrogatory 50: Gulf objects to this interrogatory on the ground that it seeks information which is not relevant and which is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence. The information requested in this interrogatory is beyond the scope of the issues to be resolved in this proceeding. Gulf further objects to this interrogatory on the basis that it is overly burdensome in that it requests Gulf to perform analyses that it has not otherwise performed and would not normally perform in the ordinary course of its business. Certain of the requested information are not available and cannot be provided.

Interrogatory 51: Gulf objects to this interrogatory on the ground that it seeks information which is not relevant and which is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence. The information requested in this interrogatory is beyond the scope of the issues to be resolved in this proceeding. Gulf further objects to this interrogatory on the basis that it is overly burdensome in that it requests Gulf to perform analyses that it has not otherwise performed and would not normally perform in the ordinary course of its business. Certain of the requested information are not available and cannot be provided.

Interrogatory 57: Gulf objects to this interrogatory on the ground that it seeks information which is not relevant and which is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence. The information requested in this interrogatory is beyond the scope of the issues to be resolved in this proceeding. Gulf further objects to this interrogatory on the basis that it is overly burdensome in that it requests Gulf to perform analyses that it has not otherwise

performed and would not normally perform in the ordinary course of its business. Certain of the requested information are not available and cannot be provided.

Respectfully submitted this 1st day of September, 2015.

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

IN RE: Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Recovery Clause with Generating Performance Incentive Factor

Docket No.: 150001-EI

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true copy of the foregoing was furnished by electronic mail this 1st day of September, 2015 to the following:

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