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

Re: Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Recovery Clause; Docket No. 150001-EI

Dear Ms. Stauffer:

Attached for filing in the above-referenced docket is Duke Energy Florida, LLC's Notice of Areas of Witness Expertise.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. Please feel free to call me at (850) 521-1428 should you have any questions concerning this filing.

Respectfully,

/s/ Matthew R. Bernier
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MRB/db Attachment

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Fuel and purchased power cost recovery clause with generating performance incentive factor. **DOCKET NO. 150001-EI**

DATED: October 14, 2015

DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA, LLC'S NOTICE OF AREAS OF WITNESS EXPERTISE

Duke Energy Florida, LLC ("DEF") submits this Notice of Areas of Witness Expertise, and states:

- 1. DEF has pre-filed the testimonies of Christopher A. Menendez, Joseph McCallister, Matthew J. Jones, and Jeffrey Swartz. The qualifications of each witness are fully described in their respective testimonies, but due to the objections to expert testimony contained in the prehearing statements of the Florida Industrial Power Users Group and the Florida Retail Federation (filed October 9, 2015), DEF provides additional clarification regarding the qualifications and scope of its expert testimony filed in this docket.
- 2. Christopher A. Menendez is a fact witness when providing factual information and also qualified as an expert witness through his knowledge, skill, experience, training and education, to the extent he offers opinions on the subject matter of Issue Nos. 2C, 7-12, 19-23, 24A, and 28-36, namely: the appropriate adjustments, if any, to the replacement power costs associated with the July 2014 forced outage and the Hines Plant, accounting for the historical and projected costs of fuel and purchased power, the operation and calculations associated with the Commission's fuel adjustment clause and capacity cost recovery factors; the appropriate effective date of fuel adjustment and capacity cost recovery factors for 2016; and the tariff approval process.

- 3. Joseph McCallister is a fact witness when providing factual information and also qualified as an expert witness through his knowledge, skill, experience, training and education, to the extent he offers opinions on the subject matter of Issue Nos. 1D, 1E, 2A, and 2B, namely: whether the continued financial hedging of natural gas is in the customers' best interest, changes that may be appropriate to Commission's current policy regarding the financial hedging of natural gas, the prudence of DEF's actions to mitigate the volatility of natural gas, residual oil, fuel oil, and purchased power, and the reasonableness of DEF's 2016 Risk Management Plan.
- 4. Matthew J. Jones is a fact witness when providing factual information and also qualified as an expert witness through his knowledge, skill, experience, training and education, to the extent he offers opinions on the subject matter of Issue Nos. 17 and 18, namely: the calculation of DEF's GPIF reward/penalty for 2014 and the calculation of DEF's GPIF targets and ranges for 2016.
- 5. Jeffrey Swartz is a fact witness when providing factual information and also qualified as an expert witness through his knowledge, skill, experience, training and education, to the extent he offers opinions on the subject matter of Issue No. 2C, namely: the appropriate adjustments, if any, to the replacement power costs associated with the July 2014 forced outage and the Hines Plant.
- 6. DEF proffers this notice as an affirmative statement of the subject matter of its witnesses' expertise for the purpose of this proceeding. Each witness is prepared to confirm the statements of expertise in this notice when he takes the stand.

Respectfully submitted,

s/Matthew R. Bernier

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Duke Energy Florida CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Docket No. 150001-EI

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished via email this 14th day of October, 2015 to all parties of record as indicated below.

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