

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Petition for Expedited)
 Approval of Settlement Agreement)
 with Lake Cogen, Ltd. by Florida)
 Power Corporation)

Docket No. 961477-EQ

Filed: March 6, 1997

PETITION TO INTERVENE OF NCP LAKE POWER, INC.

NCP LAKE POWER, INC. (hereinafter "NCP Lake"), pursuant to Commission Rules 25-22.039 and 25-22.036(7), Florida Administrative Code, respectfully petitions the Commission to grant this its petition to intervene and permit NCP Lake to participate in this proceeding as a full party. The commission should grant this petition to intervene because NCP Lake is the other signatory to the Settlement Agreement that is the subject of this docket, as well as the managing general partner of the Qualifying Facility who sells power to Florida Power Corporation pursuant to the Power Purchase Agreement ("PPA") that will be amended by the Settlement Agreement herein. Accordingly, NCP Lake's substantial interests will be affected by the Commission's

actions in this proceeding. In further support of its petition,

NCP Lake states as follows:

- The name and mailing address of NCP Lake are:

NCP Lake Power, Inc.
 c/o GPU International, Inc.
 One Upper Pond Road
 Parsippany, New Jersey 07054

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2. The names and mailing addresses of the persons authorized to receive notices, orders, and other communications in this proceeding and with respect to this petition are:

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3. NCP Lake is the managing general partner of Lake Cogen, Ltd. ("Lake Cogen"). Lake Cogen owns and operates a 112 MW gas-fired cogeneration facility (the "Lake Facility") in Umatilla, Lake County, Florida, and sells firm capacity and energy from the facility to FLORIDA POWER CORPORATION ("Florida Power," "FPC") pursuant to that certain Negotiated Contract For The Purchase Of Firm Capacity And Energy From A Qualifying Facility between Lake Cogen and FPC dated March 13, 1991 (the "PPA" or the "Contract"). Thermal energy produced by the Lake Facility is sold, in the form of steam, to Golden Gem Growers, Inc. for use in its citrus processing plant. Lake Cogen is a "qualifying facility" or "QF" as contemplated by the applicable rules of the Florida Public Service Commission (the "Commission") and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (the "FERC"). The Contract was approved by Commission Order No. 24374, issued on July 1, 1991 in Docket No. 910401-EQ. A certain action with respect to the PPA, specifically relating to a written agreement by which Lake Cogen will reduce its output during off-peak hours, was approved, for

cost recovery purposes, by the Commission in its Order No. PSC-95-0540-FOF-EQ, issued in Docket No. 940797-EG on May 2, 1995.

4. Florida Power's petition in this docket request the Commission's approval of a settlement agreement between Lake Cogen and FPC (hereinafter the "Settlement Agreement") that will resolve all disputes between Lake Cogen and FPC that are the subject of pending, though currently stayed, litigation in the Circuit Court of the Fifth Judicial Circuit in and for Lake County, styled NCP Lake Power, Incorporated, a Delaware corporation, as General Partner of Lake Cogen, Ltd., a Florida limited partnership v. Florida Power Corporation, a Florida corporation, Case No. 94-2354-CA01. NCP Lake executed the Settlement Agreement as general partner of Lake Cogen.

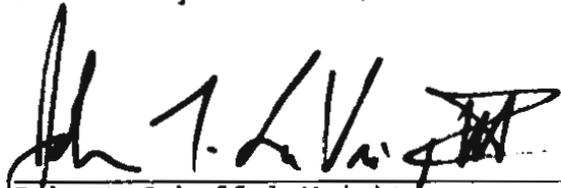
5. The Commission's actions with respect to FPC's petition for approval of the Settlement Agreement, for cost recovery purposes, will affect NCP Lake's and Lake Cogen's substantial interests in selling power produced from the Lake Facility, as well as its rights to sell that power pursuant to state and federal law.

6. NCP Lake believes that the ultimate issue to be decided in this case is whether the PPA, as it would be amended by the Settlement Agreement, should be approved by the Commission pursuant to Rule 25-17.0836, F.A.C. In accordance with that Rule, and consistent with Commission Order No. PSC-95-0540-FOF-EG, the Commission should properly consider factual issues relating to whether the Settlement Agreement will have a material

effect on the cost-effectiveness of the PPA or on the viability of the Lake Facility.

WHEREFORE, NCP LAKE POWER, INC. prays the Commission to GRANT this Petition to Intervene as a full party in this proceeding and to direct that copies of all pleadings, notices, orders, and other communications filed, given, or entered herein be furnished to the persons named in Paragraph 2 hereof.

Respectfully submitted this 6th day of March, 1997.



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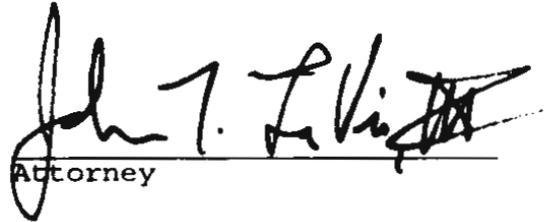
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
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I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been served by hand delivery (*) or by United States Mail, postage prepaid, on the following individuals this 6th day of March, 1996:

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