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*Recommend approval.
Staff has no problem
with deferring this item
to the December 2 agenda
MAB*

Leslie J. Paugh, Esquire
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Re: Docket 930885-EU

Dear Ms. Paugh:

This follows our two telephone conversations on Thursday afternoon, November 13, 1997, with regard to the agenda for the Commission Conference scheduled for November 18, 1997. In the first of our conversations, you informed me that Docket No. 930885-EU was in the process of being moved from the agenda for December 2, 1997 to the agenda for November 18, 1997. You asked me whether such a move would cause any problems for Gulf Power given the relatively short notice. Based on my belief that people from the Company had made other plans regarding November 18 when the matter was not on the original agenda for that date, I requested that this matter continue to be scheduled to come before the Commission on the December 2, 1997 agenda.

In our second conversation, you asked that I verify that it would present a logistical problem for Gulf Power if the matter were added to the November 18 agenda at this late date. If my client would have problems getting the appropriate people to the November 18 agenda because of the short notice of the change from December 2, then I was to submit a written request that the item be deferred back to the December 2 agenda.

Since our second telephone conversation on November 13, I have learned that a couple of Gulf's executive officers and other involved personnel who intend to be present for the Commission Conference when Docket No. 930885-EI is brought before the Commission have made other commitments for November 18 on the belief that the matter was not on the agenda for that date. On that basis, please accept this letter as our written request on behalf of Gulf Power Company that the matter be deferred until the Commission Conference scheduled for December 2, 1997. Please forward this request to the appropriate individuals consistent with the process you and I discussed in our second telephone conversation on November 13, 1997.

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It is my understanding from our conversations that this request would be sufficient to have the matter removed from the agenda for November 18, 1997. Based on that understanding, we are continuing our plans not to attend the agenda on November 18, 1997. If anything further is needed from this office in regards to this request, please let me know as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Jeffrey A. Stone
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