

DIRECT TESTIMONY

OF

JASON SIMMONS

I. INTRODUCTION AND QUALIFICATION OF JASON SIMMONS

Q. Please state your name, business address, and by whom you are employed.

A. My name is Jason Simmons. My business address is 300 S. Myrick St, Pensacola, FL 32505. I am employed by Armstrong World Industries, Inc. ("AWI") as Plant Manager of AWI's Pensacola plant.

Q. On whose behalf are you testifying?

A. I am testifying on behalf of AWI.

AWI is a leader in the design and manufacture of innovative interior and exterior architectural applications including ceilings, specialty walls and exterior metal solutions. For more than 160 years, AWI has delivered products and capabilities that enable architects, designers and contractors to transform building design and construction with elevated aesthetics, acoustics and sustainable attributes. AWI's 3,600 employees are committed to making a positive difference in the spaces where people live, work, learn, heal and play.

Q. Have you previously testified before the Florida Public Service Commission ("Commission")?

A. No, I have not.

Q. Please state your educational background and professional experience.

A. I have a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering and over 25 years of manufacturing experience. I have been with AWI for 22 years, and the Pensacola Plant Manager for 4 years.

II. PURPOSE OF TESTIMONY

Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?

A. The purpose of my testimony is to describe who AWI is, which will provide context to AWI's support for the Joint Motion for Approval of Settlement Agreement filed on August 20, 2025 ("Joint Motion").

Q. Are you sponsoring any exhibits with your testimony?

A. No, I am not.

III. SUMMARY OF AWI'S RECOMMENDATIONS

Q. What does the Company propose regarding the Settlement Agreement?

A. AWI supports the Commission's approval of the Settlement Agreement included as Attachment 1 to the Joint Motion.

1 **Q. Was AWI a signatory to the Joint Motion?**

2 A. Yes, it was.

3 **Q. Is AWI a current commercial customer of Florida Power & Light Company (“FPL”)?**

4 A. Yes, it is. AWI’s manufacturing plant in Pensacola, Florida was first established in 1929 and
5 currently employs more than 250 workers. As a current commercial customer of FPL, the outcome
6 of this proceeding will directly affect AWI and AWI has a direct and substantial interest in this
7 proceeding to ensure FPL provides reasonable, fair and justified energy rates. Due to its size, AWI’s
8 Pensacola plant used 30,350,000 kWhs in 2024 and AWI will continue to purchase substantial
9 amounts of power from FPL during the term of the proposed agreement.

10 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

11 A. Yes.