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### BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Request for confidentiality for Dec. 2021DOCKET NO. 20220180-EIESR by Florida Power & Light/Gulf PowerORDER NO. PSC-2022-0372-CFO-EICompany.ISSUED: November 1, 2022

# ORDER GRANTING FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY'S REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION OF DOCUMENT NO. 01239-2022

On February 15, 2022, pursuant to section 366.093, Florida Statutes (F.S.), and Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code, Florida Power & Light Company (FPL) filed a Request for Confidential Classification of information contained in FPL's and Gulf Power Company's (Gulf) December 2021 Earning Surveillance Reports. Gulf legally merged with FPL effective January 1, 2021, but operated as separate ratemaking entity during 2021. Specifically, FPL seeks confidential classification of Document No. 01239-2022.

### Request for Confidential Classification

FPL contends that Document No. 01239-2022 contains certain information that constitutes "proprietary confidential business information" entitled to protection under section 366.093, F.S. FPL states that this information is intended to be and is treated by FPL and Gulf as private and has not been publicly disclosed.

FPL further contends that Document No. 01239-2022 contains information concerning bids or other contractual data, the disclosure of which would impair the efforts of the public utility or its affiliates to contract for goods or services on favorable terms. FPL asserts that this information is protected by subsection 366.093(3)(d), F.S.

Additionally, FPL asserts that Document No. 01239-2022 contains information relating to competitive interests, the disclosure of which would impair the competitive business of the provider of information, and that this information is protected by subsection 366.093(3)(e), F.S. Specifically, FPL asserts the document contains contractual data between FPL and/or Gulf and their customers concerning the terms of the Contract Service Agreements and relates to competitive interests.

#### Ruling

Subsection 366.093(1), F.S., provides that records the Florida Public Service Commission (Commission) has found to contain proprietary business information shall be kept confidential and shall be exempt from Chapter 119, F.S. Subsection 366.093(3), F.S., states that proprietary confidential business information is information that is intended to be and is treated by the company as private, in that disclosure of the information would cause harm to the company's ratepayers or business operations, and has not been voluntarily disclosed to the

public. Subsection 366.093(3), F.S., provides that proprietary confidential business information includes, but is not limited to:

(d) Information concerning bids or other contractual data, the disclosure of which would impair the efforts of the public utility or its affiliates to contract for goods or services on favorable terms;

(e) Information relating to competitive interests, the disclosure of which would impair the competitive business of the provider of information.

Upon review, it appears the above-referenced information satisfies the criteria set forth in subsection 366.093(3), F.S., for classification as proprietary confidential business information. The information appears to be information concerning bids or other contractual data, the disclosure of which would impair the efforts of the public utility or its affiliates to contract for goods or services on favorable terms. The document also contains information relating to competitive interests, the disclosure of which would impair the competitive business of the provider of information. Thus, the information identified in Document No. 01239-2022 shall be granted confidential classification.

Pursuant to subsection 366.093(4), F.S., the information for which confidential classification is granted herein shall remain protected from disclosure for a period of up to 18 months from the date of issuance of this Order. At the conclusion of the 18-month period, the confidential information will no longer be exempt from subsection 119.07(1), F.S., unless FPL or another affected person shows, and the Commission finds, that the records continue to contain proprietary confidential business information.

Based on the foregoing, it is hereby

ORDERED by Commissioner Gabriella Passidomo, as Prehearing Officer, that Florida Power & Light Company's Request for Confidential Classification of the information contained in Document No. 01239-2022 is granted. It is further

ORDERED that the information in Document No. 01239-2022, for which confidential classification has been granted, shall remain protected from disclosure for a period of up to 18 months from the date of issuance of this Order. It is further

ORDERED that this Order shall be the only notification by the Commission to the parties of the date of declassification of the materials discussed herein. It is further

ORDERED that this docket shall be closed.

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By ORDER of Commissioner Gabriella Passidomo, as Prehearing Officer, this <u>1st</u> day of <u>November</u>, <u>2022</u>.

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Copies furnished: A copy of this document is provided to the parties of record at the time of issuance and, if applicable, interested persons.

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The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.569(1), Florida Statutes, to notify parties of any administrative hearing or judicial review of Commission orders that is available under Sections 120.57 or 120.68, Florida Statutes, as well as the procedures and time limits that apply. This notice should not be construed to mean all requests for an administrative hearing or judicial review will be granted or result in the relief sought.

Mediation may be available on a case-by-case basis. If mediation is conducted, it does not affect a substantially interested person's right to a hearing.

Any party adversely affected by this order, which is preliminary, procedural or intermediate in nature, may request: (1) reconsideration within 10 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.0376, Florida Administrative Code; or (2) judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court, in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility, or the First District Court of Appeal, in the case of a water or wastewater utility. A motion for reconsideration shall be filed with the Office of Commission Clerk, in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.0376, Florida Administrative Code. Judicial review of a preliminary, procedural or intermediate ruling or order is available if review of the final action will not provide an adequate remedy. Such review may be requested from the appropriate court, as described above, pursuant to Rule 9.100, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.