MEMORANDUM

MARCH 10, 1998

DIVISION OF RECORDS & REPORTING TO :

CHRISTIANA T. MOORE, ASSOCIATE GENERAL COUNSEL FROM :

DOCKET NO. 980276-EI, RULE 25-6.0131 RE :

Enclosed is a Notice of Proposed Rule Development. Industry distribution is \_\_\_\_\_. This document must be issued within 5 working days.

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## BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

## DOCKET NO: 980276-EI

IN RE: PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF RULE 25-6.0131, F.A.C. INVESTOR-OWNED ELECTRIC COMPANY REGULATORY ASSESSMENT FEE

## NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT

TO

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS

## ISSUED: March 11, 1998

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 120.54, Florida Statutes, that the Florida Public Service Commission staff has initiated the development of Rule 25-6.0131, Florida Administrative Code, to amend provisions relating to investor-owned electric company regulatory assessment fees.

The attached Notice of Proposed Rule Development will appear in the March 20, 1998, edition of the Florida Administrative Weekly. If timely requested and not deemed unnecessary by the Commission, a rule development workshop will be held at the following time and place:

> Florida Public Service Commission 10:00 a.m., April 23, 1998 Gerald Gunter Building, Room 111 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, Florida

The request must be submitted in writing and received by the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, Florida Public Service Commission, 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd., Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850, no later than April 10, 1998.

Any person requiring some accommodation at this workshop because of a physical impairment should call the Division of Records and Reporting at (850) 413-6770 at least five calendar days prior to the hearing. Any person who is hearing or speech impaired should contact the Florida Public Service Commission by using the Florida Relay Service, which can be reached at 1-800-955-8771 (TDD).

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By Direction of the Florida Public Service Commission, this <u>11</u>th day of <u>March</u>, <u>1998</u>.

BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Director Division of Records & Reporting

By:

Kay Flynn, Chief Bureau of Records

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FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION DOCKET NO: 980276-EI RULE TITLE: Regulatory Assessment RULE NO.: RULE 25-6.0131 Fees; Investor-owned Electric Companies, Municipal Electric Utilities, Rural Electric Cooperatives PURPOSE AND EFFECT: To amend the rule to decrease the regulatory assessment fee. SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Investor-owned electric company regulatory assessment fees. SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: 350.127(2), F.S. LAW IMPLEMENTED: 350.113, 366.14, F.S. A RULE DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP WILL BE HELD AT THE TIME, DATE, AND PLACE SHOWN BELOW: TIME AND DATE: 10 A.M., APRIL 23, 1998 PLACE: ROOM 111, GERALD GUNTER BUILDING, 2540 SHUMARD OAK BLVD., TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA THE WORKSHOP REQUEST MUST BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING WITHIN 21 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE TO THE COMMISSION'S DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING, 2540 SHUMARD OAK BOULEVARD, TALLAHASSEE, FL 32399-0850. THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS: Evelyn Sewell, Division of Administration, Florida Public Service Commission, 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd., Tallahassee, FL 32399-0862.

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THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS: 25-6.0131 Regulatory Assessment Fees; Investor-owned Electric Companies, Municipal Electric Utilities, Rural Electric Cooperatives.

(1) No Change.

(a) Each investor-owned electric company shall pay a regulatory assessment fee in the amount of <u>.00072</u> <del>0.000833</del> of gross operating revenues derived from intrastate business, excluding sales for resale between public utilities, municipal electric utilities, and rural electric cooperatives or any combination thereof.

(b) No Change.

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Specific Authority: 350.127(2), F.S.

Law Implemented: 350.113, 366.14, F.S.

History: New 5/18/83, Amended 2/9/84, formerly 25-6.131, Amended 6/18/86, 10/16/86, 3/7/89, 2/19/92, 07/08/96.



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Please include Gulf Power Company as an interested party in the following docket:

Proposed amendment of Rule 25-6.0131, F.A.C., Investor-Owned Electric 980276-EI **Company Regulatory Assessment Fees** 

The addresses to which correspondence regarding this docket can be mailed are:

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Susan D. Cranmer Assistant Secretary and Assistant Treasurer Gulf Power Company **One Energy Place** Pensacola, FL 32520-0780

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Very truly yours,

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Russell A. Badders, For the Firm

cc: Susan Cranmer

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