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BEFORE THE
                 FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
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    In Re: Generic investigation into
    the aggregate electric utility
    reserve margins planned for
    Peninsular Florida
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## PROCEEDINGS

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: All right. We'll call this hearing to order.

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Counsel, will you please read the notice?

MR. ELIAS: Notice issued by the Clerk of the

Florida Public Service Commission advises that this time
and place have been reserved for a prehearing conference
in Docket 981890-EU. That is the generic investigation
into the aggregate electric utility reserve margins
planned for Peninsular Florida.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Very good. We'll take appearances. We'll start with you, Ms. Swim.

MS. SWIM: I'm Deb Swim here on behalf of the Legal Environmental Assistance Foundation.

MS. BUFORD: Tasha Buford, representing the City of Lakeland, the Kissimmee Utility Authority, and Orlando Utilities Commission.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Okay.

MR. WILLIAMS: Thornton Williams, FRCC.

MR. SEXTON: Paul Sexton, also appearing for the FRCC.

MR. CHILDS: Matthew Childs and Charles Guyton appearing on behalf of Florida Power and Light Company.

MR. SASSO: Gary Sasso and James McGee here for 25 Florida Power Corporation.

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MR. BEASLEY: James D. Beasley. I'm
    representing Tampa Electric Company.
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              MR. McGLOTHLIN: Joseph A. McGlothlin for
    Reliant Energy Power Generation, Inc. Reliant Energy has
    a pending petition to intervene and has filed a
    prehearing statement and testimony subject to the ruling
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Okay.
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              MR. MOYLE: John Moyle representing PG&E
    Generating Company. We also have a petition to intervene
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    pending.
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Okay.
              MR. LaVIA: Jay LaVia on behalf of Duke Energy
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    North America and Duke Energy New Smyrna Beach Power
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              MS. GORDON KAUFMAN: Vicki Gordon Kaufman of
    the McWhirter, Reeves law firm on the behalf of the
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    Florida Industrial Power Users Group.
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              MR. MAIDA: Tom Maida on behalf of Seminole
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    Electric Cooperative.
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              MR. HOFFMAN: Kenneth A. Hoffman on behalf of
    the City of Tallahassee.
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             MR. BRYANT: Frederick M. Bryant on behalf of
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   Florida Municipal Power Agency.
             MR. ELIAS: I'm Bob Elias, and with me are
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Cochran Keating and Grace Jaye on behalf of the
    Commission staff.
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Okay. Counselor, any
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    preliminary matters?
              MR. ELIAS: Well, as you know, there are a
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    number of pending discovery matters and petitions to
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    depending on your preference.
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    they're going to participate in the prehearing order, do
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    we need to rule on the pending motions to intervene at
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: All right. Which ones do we
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    have? Let's go through them. Reliant Energy Inc.'s
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             MR. ELIAS: And PG&E Generating.
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Is that it? No one else had
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    a motion to intervene? No. All right. I'm going to
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    grant both of those motions.
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              All right. Then we go to -- that's all we
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   needed to go through this, right?
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             MR. ELIAS: Yes.
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CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Good. Then we're going to go

through the prehearing order. If you have something to say, say it. Speak up. And then we'll correct that, and then we'll go from there, go through the exhibits. We'll go through the entire order, and then we'll go through the pending motions.

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MR. ELIAS: Mr. Chairman, if I can just say a couple of things. This is one of the lengthier prehearing orders that we've had around here, certainly in the energy industry in the recent past; and due to some problems with our network last week, it wasn't available until late Friday afternoon. And several of the parties didn't provide their prehearing statements on disk, so we did our best to transcribe accurately what was on the written pages. But in the event that there is a mistake in transcription or other error in a party's position or other information, I'd encourage the parties to take time to review it in quiet reflection; and if there are changes that need to be made on the basis of that kind of error, we can certainly do that. We have two weeks plus a day to the start of the hearing, and we can set a reasonable deadline for the parties to have an opportunity to review their particular statements to make sure that they're correct.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Okay. Good. All right.

Let's go through changes or corrections of the case

background.

MR. CHILDS: Well, I think that's -- I mean I think there are a number of points that may be subject to debate, but we see what it says, and we've argued about that before.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Okay.

MR. CHILDS: I'm just bringing that up because I think we respectfully disagree, and I don't want to waive our position.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Okay. All right. I understand, and I know that we've been trying on that.

All right. Corrections or changes to the order of witnesses?

MR. McGLOTHLIN: Mr. Chairman, Reliant Energy filed the testimony of Lance McElroy. Because of a conflict, Mr. McElroy will not be at the hearing. By letter I advised staff and parties that Mr. Charles Griffey will attend and will adopt the prefiled testimony that was originally submitted for Mr. McElroy.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Charles Griffey?

MR. McGLOTHLIN: G-r-i-f-f-e-y, yes, sir.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Okay.

MR. SASSO: Mr. Chairman, Gary Sasso for Florida Power Corporation. Our rebuttal witness was

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Okay.

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MR. SASSO: John B. Crisp. FPC Issues 1 through 19.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Issues 1 through 19. Very good. That was just an omission?

MR. ELIAS: Absolutely.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Okay. Do we have to -Should we put him in any particular order, Mr. Elias?
Should we put him right after the FPL witness, I would assume, the FPL rebuttal witnesses or there's no --

MR. ELIAS: There's no particular --

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: I just meant to confirm with what you had done. No, you're right. No. Just to confirm with what we had on the first page, but that's fine. Okay.

MR. CHILDS: As to order, Commissioner, I would suggest that staff appropriately goes first.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Okay.

MR. CHILDS: These are all the staff's issues, I believe, and I think that if this is going to be conducted as a proceeding to affect substantial interest, then it's appropriate to identify them as -- or someone anyway -- as the one who is going to support the affirmative on the issue and assume that burden.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Mr. Elias.

MR. ELIAS: Staff has no objection to putting our witnesses on first.

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MR. SEXTON: Mr. Chairman, on Mario Valar, we'd like to clarify the issues that his testimony will be touching on too. We have them listed as Issues 1 through 19.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: I understand Mr. Valar wants us to travel down to Miami to see him. That's usually not the standard practice.

MR. SEXTON: I'm sorry?

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: I understand that for Mr. Valar that you've requested that we travel down to Miami to visit with him. That's usually not been the standard practice of this Commission.

MR. SEXTON: Well, Commissioner, that's not the issue I was mentioning.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: No, I know. Just out of curiosity since it struck me. Since Mr. Valar's name was mentioned, I wanted to ask.

MR. SEXTON: Well, the FRCC is a participant in this proceeding not as an investor-owned utility but as an independent organization, and Mr. Valar is -- has a very busy schedule and has limited ability to make himself available; and so we're doing this primarily for

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the sake of his schedule and to allow him to be deposed
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    in Dade County.
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Okay. Maybe staff can ask
    whether it needs to do that at all. Maybe surprising him
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    here would be better.
              What are the issues that Mr. Valar will be
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    testifying to?
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              MR. SEXTON: The issues that he will not be
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    testifying to are Issues 7, 8, 10, 12. And on Issue 2,
    he will only be testifying as to the peninsular portion
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    of that issue.
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              MR. ELIAS: So that's all issues but 7, 8, 10
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    and 12?
              MR. SEXTON: And the --
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Partially 2.
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              MR. ELIAS: And partially 2.
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              MR. SEXTON: And partially 2.
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: On Peninsular Florida issues.
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              MR. SEXTON: Issue 2 has the appropriate
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    for individual utilities and for Peninsular Florida, and
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    Florida and not to the individual utilities.
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Okay.
              MR. ELIAS: Does that go for the rebuttal
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testimony as well?
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             MR. SEXTON: Yes, it does.
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             MR. LaVIA: Mr. Chairman, Jay LaVia for Duke.
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    Just to clarify that Duke's witness Ken Slater will be
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    testifying for all 19 issues, 1 through 19.
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: 1 through 19, very good.
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   That's right. Mr. Valar is both a direct and a
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    rebuttal. Yeah, there it is. Okay.
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              MR. MOYLE: Mr. Chairman.
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: One second. Okay.
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             MR. MOYLE: John Moyle for PG&E, Stephen S.
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Okay.
             MR. MAIDA: Mr. Chairman, Tom Maida for
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   Seminole Electric. Garl Zimmerman, who is listed as a
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   direct witness, will also testify as a rebuttal witness
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   on 1 through 19.
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             CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Mr. Maida, who is the
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             MR. MAIDA: Garl Zimmerman, he's listed as a
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   direct witness, Mr. Chairman.
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             CHAIRMAN GARCIA: I'm looking for him.
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             MR. MAIDA: Fourth one down.
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             CHAIRMAN GARCIA: There we go. And 1 through
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MR. MAIDA: Yes, sir.
              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: And he will also be a
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    rebuttal?
              MR. MAIDA: Yes, sir.
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Okay.
              MR. HOFFMAN: Mr. Chairman, Ken Hoffman for the
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   City of Tallahassee. David Byrne is the witness for the
   City of Tallahassee. He has direct testimony only. He
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   addresses only three issues. I believe I have a
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    into the record without objection, and I would ask for a
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   stipulation to admit Mr. Byrne's direct testimony.
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Is there any objection?
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              MR. McGLOTHLIN: I would want an opportunity to
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: All right. Well, you can
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   come back to us, Mr. Hoffman.
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             MR. HOFFMAN: Okay.
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: The request is out there.
   Please take a look at it and get back to us.
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              MS. SWIM: Chairman Garcia, Deb Swim for LEAF.
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   Witness Marsha Elder would be -- we'd offer her on all
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   issues except for 9, 10, 11 and 13.
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             CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Okay. Anyone else?
             MR. BEASLEY: Chairman Garcia, Jim Beasley for
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CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Yes, Mr. Beasley.

MR. BEASLEY: Mark Ward's rebuttal testimony can be indicated to refer to Issues 1 to 19 to the extent that they're addressed by Mr. Ballinger and Mr. Trapp in their testimony.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Okay.

MR. ELIAS: And Mr. Trapp does address Issues 1 to 19. I'm going to double check before I specifically state which issues Mr. Ballinger is addressing.

11 CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Both of them do 1 through 12 19.

Okay. Very good. Mr. Hoffman, you'll get back to us if you get --

MR. HOFFMAN: Yes. I'll speak with

Mr. McGlothlin and get back with you.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Mr. McGlothlin, and I think Mr. Beasley also had a question with that, so you'll have to check with all of them if possible.

MR. McGLOTHLIN: I'd like to take a moment and make a similar offer. Our witness addresses only one issue, 16, and judging from the parties' positions, I don't think it's controversial. He recommends that any reserve margin standard be a floor and not a ceiling, and I would inquire of parties whether that can be moved into

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the record without cross.
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: This is Mr. Griffey?
             MR. McGLOTHLIN: Correct.
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             CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Okay.
             MR. CHILDS: I wonder if it would be
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   acceptable, Commissioner, to do that review, and I don't
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   know that I can do that this afternoon, and call counsel
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   or the staff and tell them that we do or do not have an
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   objection.
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             MR. CHILDS: All right.
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             CHAIRMAN GARCIA: However, what we'll do is
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   we'll put the onus on the counsel, and you don't have to
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   call our staff also. We will take their word for it.
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             MR. CHILDS: All right.
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: All right. Very good.
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   Corrections or changes to the basic positions?
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             MR. SASSO: Mr. Chairman.
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             CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Yes.
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             MR. SASSO: Gary Sasso for Florida Power.
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   Right here. Yes, we have a couple of typographical
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   corrections, and also an addition.
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             CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Okay.
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             MR. SASSO: With respect to the corrections in
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   our position, we have "adjudication's" twice on the page
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Tell me where you're at,
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    Mr. Sasso.
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              MR. SASSO: Okay. The first one is in guotes.
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: But are you on Page 7 at the
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              MR. SASSO: Yeah, my -- It's Page 8, I'm
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    sorry. Page 8, Florida Power Corporation.
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Page 8. Where in the page?
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              MR. SASSO: About the middle of the page, two
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    words in quotes, see "investigation" and
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              MR. ELIAS: We -- is that the version that we
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    sent to you electronically? Because I think on the
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    version that most of us are working from it's the first
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    paragraph on Page 8.
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             MR. SASSO: Yeah, that's what I'm looking at.
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Okay. First paragraph on
    Page 8. What do you want? I'm sorry.
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              MR. SASSO: Just take out the apostrophe in
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    "adjudication's" where it appears twice on that
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   paragraph.
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Okay.
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              MR. SASSO: And then we have an addition.
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MR. SASSO: After the cite, the first cite to the Florida Administrative Code, we'd like to add the following sentence --

MS. SWIM: Is that in that first paragraph?

MR. SASSO: The first paragraph, Page 8, FPC's basic position.

MS. SWIM: Okay.

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MR. SASSO: We'd like to add the following sentence: "The Commission may not legally adopt policy of general applicability at the conclusion of this investigation without first instituting rulemaking proceedings."

And we would like to add that same statement identically to certain specific positions, and if you prefer, I'll wait until we get to those, to certain specific issues, or I can identify them now.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Well, if you're going to put -- Do you just want to put them as a line all the way through in all of them, or do you want them in particular places in each one of those basic positions?

MR. SASSO: Well, there are three basic -- I'm sorry, there are three position statements on particular issues. I'd like to put that as the last line on those issues.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Okay. Good. No, let's get

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it that way. Do you have that, Mr. Elias?
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              MR. ELIAS: Yeah. Which three issues?
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              MR. SASSO: Okay. Issue 14. Let's see, two
    sided copying makes this a little cumbersome for me.
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    I've got Issue 15 and Issue 16, right? And 14. 14, 15,
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   and 16. That identical language would be the last line
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    in those issues.
             CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Got that, Mr. Elias?
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             MR. ELIAS: Yes. Thank you.
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   Mr. Sasso.
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             MR. SASSO: Thank you.
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             CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Anyone else?
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             MS. SWIM: Yes. Chairman Garcia, LEAF's
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   statement has in the last -- it's on Page 15, the second
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   to last line. Instead of saying "to for," it should just
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    it wherever it occurs, I will not need to repeat myself.
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             MR. ELIAS: Okay.
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             CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Thank you, Ms. Swim.
             Anyone else?
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             MR. CHILDS: Commissioner, I have -- Matt
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Childs for Florida Power and Light. It's not on our statement of basic position, but I have a comment and an objection to the statement of position as framed by the staff; and if it's appropriate, I'd like to address that now.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: All right. Well, let's -- That's with staff's position?

MR. CHILDS: Yeah, it is the statement of basic position.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: With staff, all right. Does anyone have any changes to their basic positions in the document? And then we can argue about staff's position.

(NO RESPONSE)

14 CHAIRMAN GARCIA: All right. Go ahead, 15 Mr. Childs.

MR. CHILDS: This is on Page 17 where this is addressed as well. There's an issue that's identified on Page 83 that relates, which is paraphrasing,
What-do-we-do-now kind of an issue. My reaction is, if you will look to the first sentence of that statement of position, there's a statement by staff as to their belief as to the provisions of Section 120.54(2)(a) and (b) and the condition, I guess, of practicability being addressed in this proceeding. I realize this is their statement of

position, but our reaction is we object. We object to

this being raised at this time, and we would certainly object to it being -- to the Commission addressing this matter this way.

We have from the beginning pointed out and argued that it is improper to go forward with matters of policy absent rulemaking. We were told that we could not have any issues other than those that were proposed by the staff, and now we have an issue of practicability, as I read it. If it's just an observation, okay, but except that the staff's recommendation is that you apply this policy in the State of Florida but that you not go through with rulemaking currently, and so we would object to that.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Staff.

MR. ELIAS: And I'm not quite sure exactly how to respond to an objection that's poised in our statement of basic position. We've got 19 enumerated issues, and one of them is: What should we do now? And I think the comments that Mr. Childs made, you know, are -- indicate to me that that might be one reasonable resolution to this docket, and I don't know what the basis for his objection is.

MR. CHILDS: My basis for objection -- I'm sorry. If I interrupted, I'll --

MR. ELIAS: No.

MR. CHILDS: My basis is simply, as I read the statement of position, is that the staff would urge the Commission in conjunction with its position on the issue that is addressed on Page 83, would urge the Commission that you would recognize that rulemaking is not practicable. And our point is that I believe that is not only a matter of pleading, it's a matter of proof, and I don't think it's appropriate to raise that in this proceeding now. We have addressed it for months as to whether rulemaking is required, and this is an exception.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: You're just saying that it shouldn't be part of our basic position, what we do -- You're not arguing with what we should do now. You're just saying that the issue of whether we can or not has already been decided by us?

MR. CHILDS: I think that the issue of how you're going to address it, yes, I do. I think it has been decided by you. We've argued as -- number one, as to whether this is rulemaking.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Right.

MR. CHILDS: And the position was now we're going to go ahead with a 125.69, 125.7 proceeding. Now that it seems that -- And when we talked from the beginning about if the Commission wants to take the next step, if it's a matter of policy, is rulemaking required,

that's no surprise to anybody. We thought that the consequences flowed from that. However, and as I read this statement of position, it's the first time I've heard it in this proceeding, the suggestion that the Commission conclude that it's not possible to go forward with rulemaking because it's not practicable under the — in this case. And I don't think that's something the Commission ought to be addressing. If you want to address practicability, then everybody should have been put on notice, and we should have addressed it that way.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Mr. Elias.

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MR. ELIAS: And I can only respond that, you know, based on what we see so far and the applicable law which has been available to everybody during the pendency of this proceeding, that that is one possible resolution to this proceeding that appears to us to be within the range of reasonableness, and I think --

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: I don't think that -- I don't think he's arguing the -- Are you arguing the 20%, or are you --

MR. ELIAS: I don't see this as being a new issue.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Right.

MR. ELIAS: I see this as being our position on an issue that I think we've supported through testimony

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CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Maybe I'm the one having a problem here. Mr. Childs, you're arguing whether we can take that step, and you're making the argument that this is being argued as a position, correct?

That's right. I'm not arguing MR. CHILDS: now, although we would address the merits of the position in the case. I'm simply saying that from the very beginning we argued about rulemaking as opposed to another procedure. We argued about whether rulemaking procedures had to be followed. We're -- our position was you're adopting policy, and if you're adopting policy, you have to follow rulemaking. That was our position. We didn't win on that.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Correct.

MR. CHILDS: And we maintain our objections on that. Now it's said to you, well, it may not be prac -it is argued that staff believes this particular section, 120.54(2)(a) and (b) apply, which recognize that rulemaking may not be practicable. And then they recommend ultimately, and the issue that I identified on Page 83 is saying, so what you should do is apply this policy to them as a non -- but it's not a rule, and that gets us into all kinds of legal issues as to what's a

rule and what's not a rule; but I think that it's late to raise the issue of practicability. That's a factual matter, as well as a matter that should have been pled. It's an issue that should have been addressed.

MR. ELIAS: And I would just respond by saying that it's not a new issue. It's a proposed resolution or a possible resolution of one of the issues that's been on the table for close to four months now.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Mr. Elias, but if it is such, if it is such and we -- you as well as this Commission feels that we can do it, why restate it here as an issue In other words -in the case?

MR. ELIAS: It's not been restated as an issue in the case. I mean it -- and the issue in the case is based on the resolution of Issues 1 through 18, what follow-up action, if any, should the Commission pursue? And it is something that we have supported in testimony so that the question of surprise is --

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: But I'm sorry, what have you supported in testimony? Neither of the people that are testifying are attorneys. Are they testifying to our agency's powers to act?

MR. ELIAS: That the Commission should not adopt the 20% standard recommended in testimony as a rule at this point in time for various factual reasons.

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CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Oh, I see the argument you're making. You're not justifying what we may do. You're simply arguing about this particular issue.

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CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Okay. Mr. Sasso.

MR. SASSO: Yes, Mr. Chairman, we would like to join in this objection, and we're really not quite sure procedurally what to make of this. And, fundamentally, this goes to the concern we've been raising from the inception of the proceeding, that this was --

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Let's not argue that --

MR. SASSO: No, I'm not going to. But I just want to make sure that the concern is that the first time the argument or the issue or the assertion surfaced that rulemaking could be dispensed with here because of the impracticality consideration was in staff's prehearing statement.

MR. ELIAS: And the onus is on this agency to demonstrate that fact, if challenged, and if we can develop a record.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Mr. Elias, let's let Mr. Sasso finish.

MR. SASSO: That is exactly our concern. staff put together the original set of 19 issues. did not include among them whether the Commission should adopt non-rule policy because of the impracticality of adopting rulemaking through this or some other proceeding. The first time the question surfaced whether they might -- whether staff might recommend that the Commission proceed through non-rule policy because of impracticality was in the prehearing statement.

Mr. Elias just said that the staff has the onus of demonstrating this could be done. Staff should present it and prove it, we agree, but the first time it surfaced is in the prehearing statement. Staff was instrumental in putting together the original set of issues, and it comes awfully late.

MR. ELIAS: First of all, the issues that we're going to hearing on are the 19 that are listed in the prehearing order that were identified in the order issued on July 1st, 1999. Secondly, it's not incumbent on the staff to demonstrate anything. It's incumbent on the Commission to show by a preponderance of the evidence that rulemaking is not practicable; and if after this proceeding and after all the parties have an opportunity to cross examine all the witnesses the Commission determines that that's in fact correct, I see no procedural infirmity with making that decision at that time; and nor have any of the other parties identified a position on the issue before filing their prehearing

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statement, and I don't know that that's ever been required in Commission practice before. MR. SASSO: We would just like to make clear for the record our objection to any action that the Commission might take after this hearing that amounts to non-rule policy. MR. BEASLEY: Tampa Electric would join in that objection, Mr. Chairman. CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Very good. Your objection is noted. I will say though that, Bob, that it strikes me as odd that you're citing to a legal justification for a position we may take. Is that what you're doing, sort of a procedural course you may take? And I think we've already decided that, so why restate it? MR. ELIAS: There are factual aspects to this case, and there are legal aspects of this case. CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Right.

MR. ELIAS: Your view of the facts is going to drive how you see the law as applicable, and after considering all of the testimony that's been filed, this was what we felt, based on what we've seen so far.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: All right. Objection of TECO, FPL and FPC are noted for the record with --MR. SEXTON: Chairman Garcia, FRCC would join

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CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Okay.

MR. SEXTON: And just state very briefly, I think the crux of the issue is providing the parties with notice that the Commission is going to consider an issue so it can be addressed in testimony as opposed to raising it after all the prefiled is in and then addressing it somehow through cross or some other means.

MR. ELIAS: And we did raise this issue in our testimony, which the parties had an extensive period to respond to. I mean Mr. Trapp flat says in there that the Commission should not adopt the 20% standard as a rule, so --

MR. SEXTON: That's not a practicability question. It's a policy question.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Okay. All right. The objections are noted for the record.

Does anyone have any other corrections in the basic positions?

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MR. SEXTON: Mr. Chairman, Paul Sexton with

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CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Yes.

MR. SEXTON: I notice that the format of the

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MR. ELIAS: The order that was issued July 1st, 1999 identified these 19 issues as the ones that would be addressed in the prehearing statements.

MR. SEXTON: Right, but it also required the parties to identify which issues are factual issues, legal issues, and policy issues. I don't see that being done in this order, so it's no longer following the format that was laid out.

MR. ELIAS: I'm going to have to check on that, Paul. I don't have an answer for you. I have to go back and take a look at the order establishing procedure.

MR. SEXTON: Okay. And the other aspect of it is FRCC raised two legal issues that appear on Pages 2 and 3 of its prehearing statement, and I'm not finding those in the draft prehearing order unless I just passed by them.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: I'm sorry, what -- was this raised at a previous hearing or --

MR. SEXTON: We have two legal issues stated in our prehearing statement, which is -- our Issue Number 1

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is whether this proceeding constitutes a formal
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   proceeding pursuant to Sections 125.69 and 120.57, which
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   Page 84. I just don't see ours.
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             MR. ELIAS: Paul, it's quite possible that they
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             MR. BEASLEY: Tampa Electric had one legal
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             MR. CHILDS: Commissioner, I have two. I
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             MR. CHILDS: Line 5 after the position by FPL,
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MR. CHILDS: Below that, under the definition
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    of the Term C, in parentheses, in the last line, strike
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Okay. Any other changes?
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              MS. SWIM: Commissioner, LEAF's position on
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    time," to a sentence which reads: "A methodology should
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    be used which appropriately ensures the cost-effective
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Read it one more time for us,
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              MS. SWIM: "A methodology should be used which
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Okay. Anyone else?
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CHAIRMAN GARCIA: 14, I'm sorry. MR. SASSO: Issue 19. 2 3 CHAIRMAN GARCIA: 19. Anybody else? MS. BUFORD: Mr. Chairman, Tasha Buford for Lakeland KUA and OUC. We've conferred with our three 5 parties over a conference call on Friday, and we've 6 prepared a consolidated position on all of our issues in 8 a matrix form that we can provide to the staff to 9 simplify our position. 10 CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Is it the same position for your three clients stated as --11 MS. BUFORD: For the most part. Some of 12 them -- in some cases they've adopted the position of one 13 of the other parties. 14 CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Okay. Why don't you pass 15 this out so we --16 17 (DOCUMENT DISTRIBUTED) CHAIRMAN GARCIA: While they pass that, let me 18I just understand this. What you're doing is that, say, on 19 Issue 10, that Lakeland, KUA and -- Well, that's a bad one. On Issue 16, that Lakeland, KUA, and OUC will adopt Lakeland's position? MS. BUFORD: That is correct. 23 2.4 CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Okay. This should save some trees. Okay.

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MS. BUFORD: Yes.
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Okay.
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              MS. BUFORD: We have one small revision on
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: All right. Is there anything
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              MR. HOFFMAN: Yes, Mr. Chairman, on Issue 14.
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              MR. HOFFMAN: In Tallahassee's prehearing --
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    Tallahassee's should be Page 66, which is: "No position
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              MR. HOFFMAN: Correct, Mr. Chairman. We did
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Read it one more time for us.
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: We've got it. Okay. Good.
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              MS. SWIM: Commissioner Garcia, I just wanted
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: No position, okay. What was
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             CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Right, 9, 10, 11 and 13.
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             MS. SWIM: That's right.
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             CHAIRMAN GARCIA: No position.
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             MS. BUFORD: Yes. Mr. Chairman, we would like
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   to add the words to KUA's position -- on Page 69 please
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             CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Okay. What page are you on?
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             MS. BUFORD: Page 69, Kissimmee Utility
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: 17, 18. 19, Mr. Sasso.
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              MR. SASSO: Yes, sir.
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              MR. SASSO: This is Page 85.
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              MR. SASSO: 81.
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              MR. SASSO: Issue 19, at the end of our current
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             CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Okay. Read it one more time
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MR. SASSO: Sure. "In addition, it would be
    worthwhile for the Commission to become better informed
    about how distributed resources, comma, both supply side
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              MR. ELIAS: Could I just ask Mr. Sasso a
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    question?
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              MR. SASSO: Yes, sir.
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              MR. ELIAS: Is there any discussion in
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    distributed generation in any of the testimony?
              MS. SWIM: Yes, there is in LEAF's testimony.
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              MR. ELIAS: In Florida Power Corporation's
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              MR. SASSO: I don't believe it's in our
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              MS. GORDON KAUFMAN: Chairman Garcia, I need to
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Sorry.
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              MS. GORDON KAUFMAN: That's okay. On Page 80,
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   middle of the page, there is no position reflected for
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              MR. LaVIA: On Page 92, at the very bottom.
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              MR. LaVIA: With an S, yes, sir. Thank you.
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             MR. CHILDS: Commissioner, one matter, if I
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could, before you get to that, this is a plea as it relates to Page 5 under post-hearing procedures. The last sentence of the first paragraph has the sanction of: If you don't file a post-hearing statement, the parties shall have waived all issues and may be dismissed from the proceeding. Way back in the old rules, there used to be a rule to that effect. That's no longer a rule, and I would suggest that parties who may not wish to address in further detail should be encouraged to do so rather than discouraged with this ultimate sanction. I mean I think that it -- I mean I don't see any reason for it. It's not a rule requirement, and if a party can, chooses not to file a post-hearing statement, I don't know why you'd drop them from the case.

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MR. ELIAS: The uniform rules provide that the presiding officer can make such orders as is necessary to promote the just, expedient, efficient resolution of the issues that have been identified; and I think that the requirement that a party file a post-hearing statement clearly falls within that purview. As a practical matter, it's tough to know where somebody stands if they don't file a post-hearing statement, and that's information that's beneficial to the commissioners.

MR. CHILDS: Well, I mean what has happened is that all of the old rules that you used to have on

procedure that were eliminated under the uniform rules now find their way into the prehearing order. I mean I just think that, you know, you can file something else or you may show that you're not particularly interested, but you've clearly got an issue in the case; and the sanction of dismissing someone from a case under that -- we're not going to be in that position, but it seems like it's a bit extreme, even if it does help in preparing some recommendation. So we -- you know, if you want to keep it in.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: All right. We'll keep it in.

All right. We've got, I guess they're listed -- We granted the first two. Let me not use the roval "we." I granted the first two. We are going to deny TECO's motion for protective order. We are going to grant FIPUG's motion to compel. Going to grant FIPUG's motion to compel. One was to Tampa. The other one is to the Reliability Coordinating Council.

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MR. BEASLEY: Excuse me. Could I be heard on the Tampa Electric one briefly?

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Very briefly.

MR. BEASLEY: We filed preliminary objections on (inaudible; mike not on). We submitted answers to all but three sub parts of one interrogatory and three

requests for production of documents. The interrogatory, we still object to that because they ask for years worth of historical data that has, we contend, no relevance in this case and would require many hours of preparation sifting through documents to pull it altogether, and it's just a -- it's not relevant. It's a make-work exercise, and it also would call for the disclosure of confidential price data.

The same applies to two of the requests for production which FIPUG has submitted, and those are Requests Number 3 and 4. They have to do with operational aspects of the company and not reserve margin planning criteria. So they are off base as far as their relevance, and it would put the company to an extreme burden to require them to sift through documents and try to assemble that.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Ms. Kaufman.

MS. GORDON KAUFMAN: Chairman Garcia, we agree with your ruling. I think you've already ruled, but if you'd like me to argue the merits of the particular request, I'd be glad to do so. We think --

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Why don't you argue the merits of the issue which troubles TECO, since they've met a large part of what you requested.

MS. GORDON KAUFMAN: Well, Mr. Beasley referred

to POD 3 and 4. POD Number 3 asks for information about what occurred prior to curtailments only for the period 1996 through 1999, so I think, contrary to what he said, it's not years and years worth of data. It's four years worth of data. We think it's very relevant in regard to how this system operates, when curtailments occur, and when there is sufficient reserve margin.

POD Number 4 asks for information for the same four-year period, '96 through '99, again, relating to the conditions on the system prior to and after curtailment relating to when the company had to buy-through which we think, of course, goes to whether there is an adequate reserve margin or not. So we think those two PODS are highly relevant. We're only asking for four years of data, so we don't think it's at all burdensome.

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We take great exception to the characterization of it being make-work. I don't know which interrogatory he was referring to, so if you'd tell me, I can address that as well.

MR. BEASLEY: Commissioner, it was all three of the production of document requests, as well as the three sub parts that I mentioned, and the one interrogatory that we objected to. And we've done --

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: She wants to know what interrogatory.

MS. GORDON KAUFMAN: Which one?

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MR. BEASLEY: Interrogatory -- it's Subparts B, C, and D of Interrogatory Number 8.

MS. GORDON KAUFMAN: Okay. Interrogatory 8 relates to the PODS I just discussed. B, C, and D relate to the conditions that occurred prior to a buy-through and what the circumstances were before and after that buy-through which, again, is directly related to the adequacy of reserve margin. And the time frame for that, we're asking only for the last five years, which is certainly a relevant time frame for your inquiry.

MR. BEASLEY: Commissioner, that's historical operating information. It doesn't have to do with planning reserve margin criteria.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Ms. Kaufman, why the buy-through? Why is that significant for us to do this?

MS. GORDON KAUFMAN: Because buy-through relates to whether or not Tampa Electric is maintaining an adequate reserve margin, and Mr. Beasley says this is historical operating data. Absolutely, but it's fairly current, the last five years, and we think that relates to how Tampa Electric has planned its system in the recent past and how it will plan it in the future, and it's highly relevant to the inquiry in this docket.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Mr. Beasley, I tend to agree

with her.

MR. BEASLEY: Can I request that it be done pursuant to a confidentiality agreement so as not to disclose any pricing information or customer information that we don't disclose to the public generally?

MS. GORDON KAUFMAN: I will discuss that with Mr. Beasley. I don't view any of this information that's being requested as being confidential; and at this point, no, I would not agree to that.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Well, let's talk with Mr. Beasley and let's see if we can get that. Part of the purpose of this docket is to inform us, and you're bringing us information here, and I think that part of that is served by us figuring what this is. So maybe you can get together and come to some agreement on that. Very good.

MR. SEXTON: Mr. Chairman, Paul Sexton with FRCC.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Yes.

MR. SEXTON: If I could be heard very briefly on the motion to compel by FIPUG. This is on a response to interrogatories. We have, of course, the option to produce documents that provide the information requested. Our objection is, in fact, due to the fact that the Commission has the documents that answer this

question; and, in fact, FIPUG obtained copies from the Commission. They have the document that they are now asking that we be required to provide to them.

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MS. GORDON KAUFMAN: Mr. Chairman, FIPUG does not have the documents. I don't even know what Mr. Sexton is referring to.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: He's saying that the Commission has the documents.

MR. SEXTON: I'm also saying that FIPUG has the documents. It's the 1999 Load and Resource Plan. That's the only document that's responsive that FRCC has and that contains the information.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Ms. Kaufman.

MS. GORDON KAUFMAN: Mr. Chairman, FIPUG asked FRCC a total of one question, and the question was to provide a reserve margin calculation. In discussing this with my expert, I have been told that that plan does not contain all the information that he would need to perform the calculation himself. And when I made that reference in my motion to compel, my offer was: If you give us all the documents that are necessary to perform the calculation, we will perform it. It's my understanding that those numbers and the information we need, it is not all included in the document Mr. Sexton referred to.

MR. SEXTON: That's the place, that is --

FRCC's calculation of the Load and Resource Plan contains FRCC's calculation of the amount of direct load management and curtailable service assumed for purposes of planning, and that's the number that we have, and that's the only number that we have.

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MS. GORDON KAUFMAN: Mr. Chairman, I can just read you my response. Again, I do not think Mr. Sexton is being accurate in regard to the kind of information we would need to perform the calculation. In order to make the calculation we requested, we would need to know for each utility how many megawatts the individual utility has on each load management program, each curtailable program and each interruptible program. And in addition, for each megawatt on each program, we would need to know what the notice requirements are for changing to firm service and when the change to firm service would actually be implemented; and that information is not in the plan.

MR. SEXTON: And FRCC does not have that information. We don't use that for the planning services. The utilities give us numbers.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: They don't give you interruptible customers?

MR. SEXTON: They give us their estimates for 241the planning period. We do not apply their tariffs and

make assumptions about who is on and who is off any particular service. The utilities take care of that process.

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MS. GORDON KAUFMAN: Mr. Chairman, in order to make the calculation, which is part, as I understand it, of FRCC's responsibility calculated in the peninsular reserve margin, this kind of information is necessary. Now I'm hearing something a little different than what the FRCC said in response to our motion to compel, which is, oh, you've already got everything that you need to do this calculation; and that is not the case.

MR. SEXTON: I believe that FIPUG is simply asking the wrong person for the information. FRCC does not go through the process that FIPUG is describing to generate the numbers for planning purposes.

MS. GORDON KAUFMAN: Mr. Chairman, all we're asking the FRCC to do is to provide an alternate calculation of reserve margin, which is like the same calculation they performed and provided in the plan. There's nothing mysterious about our request.

MR. SEXTON: The load and resource plan contains the number for interruptible and direct load control service that was assumed by the FRCC.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: And that assumption came from where?

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MR. SEXTON: Came from the individual
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   utilities.
              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: And what she's asking you is
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    that information from the individual utilities.
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             MR. SEXTON: We can give you the information
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    from the individual utilities, but it's not going to
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    provide the determination of the cancellation provisions
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: I don't think that's his
    responsibility, but I think he can give you what he just
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   said he can give you.
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             MS. GORDON KAUFMAN: Mr. Chairman, it would be
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    satisfactory if he gives us the underlying information
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   from which the FRCC performed their original calculation.
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             CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Very good. By company, and
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   you will give her that.
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             MR. SEXTON: All right. We can provide --
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    Those numbers are in the plan, the individual numbers for
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   demand and for load control and interruptible.
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             CHAIRMAN GARCIA: All right. Now we're --
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             MR. SEXTON: Those numbers are in there.
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             CHAIRMAN GARCIA: It's in the report. All
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   sure that we're looking for the same thing here, all
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    give us. If it is -- I think FRCC has stated that
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    that, as long as it's not confidential or anything like
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    that, correct?
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              MR. SEXTON: Yes, sir.
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              MS. GORDON KAUFMAN: Mr. Chairman, I don't want
    to be in the position of having that plan provided to me
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    again, since we're all gathered here together.
              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: No, no, I agree. I agree.
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    So what we will do is either right after this or
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    tomorrow, so your expert can participate in this, we'll
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    bring some engineers into the room, so we know what we're
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    talking about, and then we'll figure out what it is.
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              And if that is an issue, Mr. Elias, you'll
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             MS. GORDON KAUFMAN: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: So then we are going to
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    temporarily hold on that. That was Number 5, right?
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    Power Corp. We are granting that.
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              MR. SASSO: Mr. Chairman, may we be heard
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Very briefly.
              MR. SASSO: All right. Mr. Chairman, what
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FIPUG has asked us for are extensive data and logs, et cetera, concerning curtailment and interruptible customer arrangements which are outside the scope of the issues in this docket. Let me just give you an example. In their interrogatories, they ask for each day during the period '96 through '99 that of FPC exercised curtailments or third-party buy-through options

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Mr. Sasso, isn't -- I may be mistaken, but isn't there a rule that requires you to file that when you do that with this Commission?

MR. SASSO: I'm sorry?

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CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Isn't there a rule -- Just so I know because I thought you were asked -- Companies had to keep these records anyway; am I mistaken in --Joe, why don't you tell me because I was almost certain that companies were required to keep those records anyway.

MR. JENKINS: They're required to keep the records and -- well, let me just say, they're required to file the notice of interruptions with us.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Everyday, every time --

MR. JENKINS: Every time.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: -- a customer is interrupted?

MR. JENKINS: Right.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Okay.

MR. SASSO: Yes, Mr. Chairman. It's not a question of whether we have information. We do. CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Okay. MR. SASSO: But the question is whether it's relevant to the scope of this proceeding, and is it worth the burden that FIPUG seeks to impose upon us. They want copies of protocols that FPC dispatchers rely upon to exercise curtailments for the 24-hour period immediately prior to each day there was a curtailment or a third-party buy-through option, a copy of all FPC reports, logs, energy schedules, memorandum, orders, other documents, generation logs, FPC's system and area load sheets, interchange and scheduling reports. Mr. Chairman, the staff had obtained some discovery from the parties and --CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Hold on one second. MR. SASSO: Yes, sir. CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Staff, I'm going to ask you for an opinion when Ms. Kaufman speaks, so you might want to get your heads together on this. MR. SASSO: Yes. The staff pursued some

discovery in these areas, and we provided extensive information to the staff in these areas. The staff has put together its position and its testimony and omitted to really involve itself in any of these issues or to use

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these data. FIPUG has filed its testimony. Its expert has done whatever he's going to do, or she's going to do, and at this point in the course of the proceedings, Mr. Chairman, we believe it would be just gratuitously burdensome on the utilities to ask for the production of these detailed documents and logs and data. This is the Commission's investigation. The Commission has not chosen to delve this deeply into these issues. At best, this is tangentially related to the issues that the prehearing officer has put before us.

At a minimum, Mr. Chairman, we would also appreciate the same accommodation that, to the extent we're going to produce anything, we have the opportunity to discuss with FIPUG appropriate confidentiality arrangements.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Okay. Ms. Kaufman.

MS. GORDON KAUFMAN: I will try to start backwards. Number 1, whether or not the staff has asked for certain documents and/or received them doesn't have anything to do with FIPUG's request. The fact that testimony has already been filed is also irrelevant. are now in the phase of preparing for cross examination. These documents are relevant for the same reason that you've just ruled that the other curtailment information from the other utilities is relevant. When, why, and

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how utilities curtail is directly related to the adequacy of the reserve margin. There's nothing burdensome about this request. It's just another stonewalling tactic and, again, we're getting back into for the fourth, fifth or sixth time the nature of the proceeding, and the utilities' continued objections to it. FIPUG is an intervenor. They've been granted intervenor status, and they are entitled to this information to prepare for hearing.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Staff.

MR. ELIAS: We believe that FIPUG has met the discovery standard, which is reasonably calculated to lead to admissible evidence. When you look at the 19 enumerated issues in this case, we think that it's well within the scope given that most of this information has already been created by the utilities. We question whether or not it can be fairly described as unduly burdensome and would recommend that the motion be granted.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Mr. Sasso, you'll get together with Ms. Kaufman about any confidentiality issues that come up with those.

MS. GORDON KAUFMAN: Mr. Chairman, can I just have one more moment on that because --

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Ms. Kaufman, you should quit

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MS. GORDON KAUFMAN: I know, but I just wanted to address the confidentiality problem because I don't want the documents now additionally withheld based on claims of confidentiality and FIPUG's refusal to sign a protective agreement. There's nothing confidential about this information, and I don't want the utilities to have another opportunity, since we're getting close to hearing, to withhold it.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Well, I would expect that the companies aren't going to request frivolously confidentiality. And, clearly, since the companies have an obligation to file it with this Commission and those are public records filed with this Commission, I don't expect them, at least the majority of what we've been talking about, to be confidential, but -- I don't know if that's a preview of what I will say when it comes to me, but hopefully it's a guide.

MS. GORDON KAUFMAN: Thank you.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Number 7, FIPUG's motion to compel Florida Power & Light, we are going to grant it. Thank you, Mr. Childs.

Number 8, LEAF's motion to compel first set of interrogatories from FPL we are going to grant.

And Number 9, LEAF's motion to compel response

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              Yes, Mr. Moyle.
              MR. MOYLE: Mr. Chairman, PG&E's petition to
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: No, no, we granted that from
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              MR. MOYLE: Does it have to be listed here in
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Right. It will be shown as
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              MR. HOFFMAN: I have something, Mr. Chairman.
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Mr. Hoffman.
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    prehearing order. Mr. Boswell is the vice president for
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Boz (phonetics)?
              MR. HOFFMAN: B-o-s-w-e-l-l.
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Boswell, okay.
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              MR. HOFFMAN: Thank you.
              MR. SEXTON: Mr. Chairman.
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Yes, sir.
              MR. SEXTON: I noticed in the draft prehearing
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: I'm sorry?
              MR. SEXTON: FRCC's request for confidential
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    classification of certain responses to staff discovery.
              MR. ELIAS: It will be addressed separately.
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Okay.
             MR. LaVIA: Mr. Chairman, Jay LaVia for Duke.
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   This is a housekeeping matter, I guess. You've referred
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The discovery period closed October 11th pursuant to one of the prehearing orders, and we think it's appropriate to extend it. There has been an extension of time to file rebuttal testimony granted of about two weeks. We're asking for a two-week extension of time approximately to do this discovery.

MR. GUYTON: I'd like to be heard.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Mr. Guyton, it's always a pleasure to hear you. Go right ahead.

MR. GUYTON: Thank you. Charles Guyton appearing on behalf of Florida Power & Light Company.

Mr. Chairman, the discovery deadline in this case was established a number of months ago as October the 11th. No party prior to today has asked for an extension of a discovery deadline. All the depositions that have been noticed are out of time. The deadline for filing rebuttal testimony as to one small aspect of it was extended two weeks, and that was the deadline to respond to staff. The deadline to respond to all the other parties continued along the original schedule that

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was established by the prehearing order.

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There is, under the circumstances, no grounds for a motion for an extension of a discovery deadline. There has been no showing. There's no justification for it. And the only party that would be affected by it would be staff because they're the only party that had the deadline extended as to them and as to their witnesses. So I think as to any other party, they've just missed their opportunity because they haven't been diligent.

Now as to staff, we'd submit they've missed their opportunity too because the deadline was October the 11th, two weeks after the filing of rebuttal testimony to their witnesses. They didn't notice the depositions in time either. They show a similar lack of diligence. We would submit that there shouldn't be any further discovery. The deadline has passed, and it should be honored.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Mr. Elias, do you have anything to add?

MR. SEXTON: Mr. Chairman.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: I'm sorry.

MR. SEXTON: This also applies to FRCC, and we would adopt Florida Power & Light's argument. We're in the last several weeks prior to hearing, and the function of a discovery deadline allows the parties to refocus their efforts toward trial preparation and not discovery, and I think that under the circumstances, given the amount of time the prefiled direct has been available and the time available for depositions, that there is not good cause to extend the discovery deadline.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Mr. Elias.

MR. ELIAS: Just a couple of points.

Typically, we establish, by order of the prehearing officer, a discovery deadline that concludes one week before the start of a hearing; and in this case, for various reasons, the discovery deadline was established approximately four weeks before the hearing.

Secondly, there was an extension granted to the parties to file staff's rebuttal testimony, and let's see, one, two, three -- I believe every single person, save one that we're deposing, did file rebuttal testimony addressing staff's testimony. I don't see the prejudice, and we did, several days in advance of the deadline, attempt to schedule these depositions; and given the complexities of people's schedules and what have you, we weren't able to notice them until last Thursday.

CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Let me -- so are you agreeing with Mr. Lavene (phonetics) about Mr. Valar's testimony?

MR. ELIAS: As far as?

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CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Mr. Lavene (phonetics) asked
    for an extension of discovery for Mr. Valar.
              MR. LaVIA: I actually asked for all four.
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    It's an extension of time to allow us to complete the
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    noticed depositions.
              It's Mr. LaVia, by the way.
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              CHAIRMAN GARCIA: I'm sorry?
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             MR. LaVIA: LaVia.
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             MR. LaVIA: Sorry about that.
              It was our intention to coordinate our
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   discovery schedule with staff, and we have been
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  coordinating with staff. That's why we didn't cross
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  notice until staff noticed.
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            CHAIRMAN GARCIA: And what do you need,
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             MR. ELIAS: We would like to take the
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   depositions. We believe it would save the Commission
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   some time once we get to the hearing.
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             CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Well, the correct -- I don't
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             MR. ELIAS: They're out of time -- No, we've
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             CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Okay. I know they're out of
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MR. ELIAS: We're out of time too. CHAIRMAN GARCIA: You're out of time too. Well, you know what, you're out of time too. All right. We're not going to grant that request, Mr. LaVia. That's it? (NO RESPONSE) CHAIRMAN GARCIA: Gentlemen, ladies, thank you 8 very much for your cooperation. MR. ELIAS: Okay. Before we conclude, we will 9 cancel the depositions that have previously been noticed. 10 CHAIRMAN GARCIA: The depositions will be 11 cancelled. 12 (WHEREUPON, THE HEARING WAS CONCLUDED) 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24

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