BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Progress Energy Florida, Inc.'s)
petition for approval of storm cost) Docket No.: 041272
recovery clause for extraordinary)
expenditures related to Hurricanes)
Charley, Frances, Jeanne, and Ivan.) Submitted for Filing: March 16, 2005
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NOTICE OF FILING EXECUTED AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF SIXTH REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION

Progress Energy Florida ("PEF" or the "Company"), hereby gives notice of filing the executed affidavit of Javier Portuondo, Director, Regulatory Services – Florida, submitted for filing with the Commission on March 16, 2005:

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true copy of the foregoing has been furnished to the following individuals as indicated in the service list on this 17th day of March, 2005.

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STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF PINELLAS

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority duly authorized to administer oaths, personally appeared Javier Portuondo, who being first duly sworn, on oath deposes and says that:

- 1. My name is Javier Portuondo. I am over the age of 18 years old and I have been authorized by Progress Energy Florida (hereinafter "PEF" or the "Company") to give this affidavit in the above-styled proceeding on PEF's behalf and in support of PEF's Sixth Request for Confidential Classification. The facts attested to in my affidavit are based upon my personal knowledge.
- 2. I am the Director, Regulatory Services Florida. This department is responsible for the regulatory accounting and reporting activities of Progress Energy Florida, Inc.
- 3. As PEF's Director of Regulatory Services, I help prepare, use, and am familiar with PEF's projected budgets, budget variance reports, and certain of PEF's business operations plans.
- 4. In its Sixth Request for Confidential Classification, PEF is seeking confidential classification for PEF's responses to Staff's Third Request for Production of Documents to

Progress Energy Florida, Inc. (No. 12-13). The information for which PEF seeks confidential classification is more specifically described in Attachment C to PEF's Sixth Request for Confidential Classification.

- 5. Portions of the responses to the requests for production at issue in PEF's Sixth Request for Confidential Classification contain PEF's projected and estimated business budgets and budget variance projections. Portions of those responses also contain some of PEF's confidential and proprietary internal business operations plans. The information at issue is proprietary confidential business information that would impair PEF's competitive business interests if it were disclosed to the public, PEF's suppliers, or to PEF's competitors.

 Specifically, if PEF's suppliers or competitors were made aware of PEF's estimated budgets, budget variances, or internal business plans, they may adjust their behavior in the market place with respect to activity such as pricing and the acquisition and provision of goods, materials, and services.
- 6. With respect to the confidential information at issue, strict procedures are established and followed to maintain the confidentiality of that information, including restricting access to those persons who need the information to assist the Company, and restricting the number of, and access to the information. At no time has the Company publicly disclosed that information. The Company has treated and continues to treat the information at issue as confidential.
 - 7. This concludes my affidavit.

Further affiant sayeth not.

Dated the 14th day of March, 2005.

(Signature)

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THE FOREGOING INSTRUMENT day of March, 2005 by Israel Co. 160 de. 1	was sworn to and subscribed before me this <u>16 re</u> He/She is personally known to me, or has produced
his/her driver's license, or his/her/	Desgraph in as identification.
(AFFIX NOTARIAL SEAL)	(Printed Name) NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF Fig. 14
OFFICIAL NOTARY SEAL. GREGORY R PIERCE NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF FLORIDA COMMISSION NO. DD014191 MY COMMISSION EXP. APR. 28,2905	(Commission Expiration Date) 15 D 274191 (Serial Sumber, If Any)

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