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### VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Mr. Adam Teitzman, Commission Clerk Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

In re: Petition by Duke Energy Florida, LLC to Approve Transaction with Accelerated Decommissioning Partners, LLC for Accelerated Decommissioning Services at the CR3 Facility, etc. (the "Petition"); Docket No. 20190140-EI

Dear Mr. Teitzman:

Please find enclosed for electronic filing on behalf of Duke Energy Florida, LLC ("DEF"), DEF's Eleventh Request for Confidential Classification filed in connection with the information contained within the rebuttal testimony of Terry Hobbs on behalf of Duke Energy Florida, LLC, the rebuttal testimony of Jeff Adix on behalf of Duke Energy Florida, LLC, and Exhibit No.\_\_(JA-2) to the rebuttal testimony of Jeff Adix ("DEF Rebuttal Testimony and Exhibit No.\_\_(JA-2)"), filed on June 18, 2020.

This filing includes the following:

- DEF's Eleventh Request for Confidential Classification;
- Slipsheet for confidential Amended Exhibit A;
- Redacted Exhibit B (two copies);
- Exhibit C (justification matrix); and
- Exhibit D (unverified affidavit of Terry Hobbs).

DEF's confidential Amended Exhibit A that accompanies the above-referenced filing has been submitted under separate cover.

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Thank you for your assistance in this matter. Please feel free to call me at (813) 227-8114 should you have any questions concerning this filing.

Respectfully,

Shutts & Bowen LLP

/s/ Daniel Hernandez

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Enclosures (as noted).

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#### **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

In re: Petition by Duke Energy Florida, LLC to Approve Transaction with Accelerated Decommissioning Partners, LLC for Accelerated Decommissioning Services at the CR3 Facility, Transfer of Title to Spent Fuel, and Assumption of Operations of the CR3 Facility Pursuant to the NRC License, and Request for Waiver From Future Application of Rule 25-6.04365, F.A.C. for Nuclear Decommissioning Study

DOCKET NO.: 20190140-EI

Submitted for Filing: July 9, 2020

### DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA, LLC'S ELEVENTH REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION

Duke Energy Florida, LLC, ("DEF" or "Company"), pursuant to Section 366.093, Florida Statutes (F.S.), and Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), submits this Eleventh Request for Confidential Classification (the "Request") for certain information contained within the rebuttal testimony of Terry Hobbs on behalf of Duke Energy Florida, LLC, the rebuttal testimony of Jeff Adix on behalf of Duke Energy Florida, LLC, and Exhibit No.\_\_(JA-2) to the rebuttal testimony of Jeff Adix ("DEF Rebuttal Testimony and Exhibit No.\_\_(JA-2)"), filed on June 18, 2020. In support of this Request, DEF states:

1. The information contained within DEF Rebuttal Testimony and Exhibit No.\_\_(JA-2) is "proprietary confidential business information" under Section 366.093(3), Florida Statutes.

2. The following exhibits are included with this Request:

(a) Sealed **Amended Exhibit A** is a package containing an unredacted copy of the information contained within DEF Rebuttal Testimony and Exhibit No.\_\_(JA-2) for which

DEF seeks confidential treatment. **Amended Exhibit**  $A^1$  is being submitted separately in sealed envelope labeled "CONFIDENTIAL." In the unredacted copy, the information asserted to be confidential is highlighted in yellow. Also in the unredacted copy, the information asserted to be confidential is stamped "CONFIDENTIAL" in red at the top of each page.

(b) **Composite Exhibit B** is two copies of the redacted information contained within DEF Rebuttal Testimony and Exhibit No.\_\_(JA-2) for which the Company requests confidential classification. The specific information for which confidential treatment is requested has been blocked out by opaque marker or other means.

(c) **Exhibit C** is a table which identifies, by the page and/or line, the information contained within DEF Rebuttal Testimony and Exhibit No.\_\_(JA-2), the information for which DEF seeks confidential classification, and the specific statutory bases for seeking confidential treatment.

(d) **Exhibit D** is an affidavit attesting to the confidential nature of the information identified in this Request.<sup>2</sup>

3. As indicated in **Exhibit C**, the information for which DEF requests confidential classification is "proprietary confidential business information" within the meaning of Section 366.093(3), F.S. Specifically, the information contained within DEF Rebuttal Testimony and Exhibit No.\_\_(JA-2) describes, concerns, or relates to commercially sensitive confidential information concerning contractual business information and obligations under a contract

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Confidential Amended Exhibit A is being submitted to include not only the previously submitted confidential portions of DEF Rebuttal Testimony, but also the specific confidential portions of Exhibit No. \_\_(JA-2) which was previously submitted as confidential in entirety on June 18, 2020, pending DEF's review and identification of the specific confidential information. DEF is asking that confidential Exhibit A (**DN 03179-2020**) be replaced with the enclosed **confidential Amended Exhibit A**.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Due to the current circumstances with COVID-19, DEF is submitting this Request with an Unverified Affidavit. DEF will file a Verified Affidavit as soon as the climate allows.

between DEF, ADP CR3, LLC and ADP SF1, LLC for decommissioning activities related to the accelerated decommissioning of the DEF Crystal River Unit 3 Nuclear Plant (the "CR3 Facility"), as well as confidential information that is either subject to current pending requests for confidential classification filed by DEF, or has already been found to be exempt from public disclosure under orders granting confidential classification that have been issued in this proceeding by the Florida Public Service Commission, the disclosure of which would not only impair the Company's competitive business advantages but would also violate contractual requirements. DEF is obligated to maintain the confidentiality of this information under the subject contract, and therefore it qualifies for confidential classification. See §§ 366.093(3)(d) and (e), F.S.; Affidavit of Terry Hobbs at  $\P\P$  5 and 6. If DEF cannot assure contracting parties that it can maintain the confidentiality of contractual terms, those parties and other similarly situated parties may forego entering contracts with DEF, which would impair the ability of the Company to negotiate contracts on favorable terms. See § 366.093(3)(d), F.S.; Affidavit of Terry Hobbs at ¶ 6. Accordingly, such information constitutes "proprietary confidential business information" which is exempt from disclosure under the Public Records Act pursuant to Section 366.093(1), F.S.

4. The information identified as **Amended Exhibit A** is intended to be and is treated as confidential by the Company. *See* Affidavit of Terry Hobbs at ¶¶ 7 and 8. The information has not been disclosed to the public and the Company has treated and continues to treat the information at issue in this Request as confidential. *Id*.

5. DEF requests that the information identified in **Amended Exhibit A** be classified as "proprietary confidential business information" within the meaning of Section 366.093(3), F.S., that the information remain confidential for a period of at least eighteen (18) months as provided in Section 366.093(4) F.S., and that the information be returned as soon as it is no

longer necessary for the Commission to conduct its business.

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, DEF respectfully requests that this Eleventh

Request for Confidential Classification be granted.

DATED this 9th day of July, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Daniel Hernandez

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### Duke Energy Florida, LLC Docket No.: 20190140-EI CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished via electronic mail this 9th day of July, 2020, to all parties of record as indicated below.

/s/ Daniel Hernandez

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# **Amended Exhibit A**

# "CONFIDENTIAL"

(submitted under separate cover)

# **Exhibit B**

# **REDACTED** (two copies)

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18	A.	Mr. Polich draws a number of broad sweeping conclusions to reach his recommended
19		course of action and opines on NorthStar's financial situation based on his expertise.
20		Incorrect characterization of basic accounting principles, holding out inaccurate
21		financial information multiple times as fact, and representing accounting standards
22		that are out of date by nearly 20 years as current GAAP undermines the credibility of
23		the remaining financial review performed.

**Q**. 1 Mr. Polich makes a sweeping assessment of NorthStar's financial situation on 2 page 24 of his testimony. What is your response to that opinion? 3 A. I completely disagree with his assessment. 4 5 О. From your perspective, what is the proper context for evaluating NorthStar's financial position? 6 7 A. The Company should be evaluated as a going concern, and not on a hypothetical liquidation salvage value. NorthStar generated of revenue in 2019, resulting 8 of net income. Net cash generated from operating activities, defined 9 in In 2019 "Earnings before Interest, Taxes, 10 according to GAAP, was Depreciation, and Amortization" (EBITDA), a common financial measurement used 11 12 as a proxy for cash earnings, was implying a market value of nearly or more using common earnings multiples for companies with similar profiles. 13 This is in contrast to the minimal or negative available resources calculated in Mr. 14 15 Polich's hypothetical scenario. Despite continuing growth and the 2019 dividend payment referenced by Mr. Polich, the Company remains conservatively leveraged, 16 with a net leverage ratio (Net debt / EBITDA) of only at year-end 2019. 17 Consistent with my going concern testimony above, these results are sustained by 18 of reported revenue backlog entering 2020, and a larger pipeline of 19 additional opportunities. 2020 has continued the strong performance trends to date, 20 with both revenue and EBITDA up significantly compared to 2019 through the first 21 four months of 2020. Mr. Polich's failure to acknowledge this full context, before 22

that tying up approximately 20% of a project's total revenue value up front, in cash,
should have no detrimental impact to project or entity finances further undercuts Mr.
Polich's credibility to speak as a financial expert. Capital has a cost, and this is a
material use of cash that was not contemplated in the transaction economics. In
addition, his argument for this point is based on a flawed accounting premise, as
previously discussed.

7 I would also note that Mr. Polich, during his deposition, refused to acknowledge that this requirement would reduce resources available to complete the decommissioning 8 9 work. In another example of inconsistent and inaccurate testimony, he represented 10 multiple times that restricted cash or trust assets could be borrowed against (see pages 61, 119-20 of Exhibit No. \_\_ (JA-2), while testifying in his deposition that the 11 12 existing Vermont Yankee trust funds should be assigned a value of zero in his 13 financial analysis. Beyond this inconsistency in his testimony, his testimony is also inaccurate, as this type of borrowing is also prohibited by the Company's existing 14 15 credit agreement.

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#### 17 Q. Do you have any other comments about Mr. Polich's suggested amendments?

A. Yes, regarding the request to increase the retainage from six percent to ten percent, I
believe Mr. Polich fails to appreciate the significance of the

20 and the value that creates for DEF's customers. Waste disposal is a key 21 cost variable and risk in any decommissioning project, and the committed value of 22 this airspace directly offsets the cost of completing the project. I would also note that 23 Mr. Polich is wrong about the details of the VY transaction. He asserts that NorthStar

1 agreed to ten percent in that deal, but the ten percent retainage only starts after 2 NorthStar has taken \$100 million from that trust fund. By comparison, in this transaction, the six percent retainage begins immediately. That is in addition to the 3 4 significant value of the initial \$50 million funding, including the 5 So with respect to this item, the CR3 transaction actually offers more upfront 6 protection, in a transaction structure where the counterparty retains control of the 7 decommissioning trust. Consistent with my previous testimony, he also misrepresents the ability to borrow against these provisional trust assets and remains 8 9 inconsistent by stating that these assets remain available to the project despite 10 assigning zero value to the Vermont Yankee trust assets in his analysis. 11 12 **Q**. Do you have any other comments on comparisons made to NorthStar's Vermont Yankee transaction? 13 A. Yes. Mr. Polich makes a number of comparisons between the CR3 structure and the 14 15 VY transaction. It appears he has selectively chosen certain terms from that transaction to apply in this transaction without appropriate consideration of the full 16 17 context. There are key differences in the framework of the two deals that make the CR3 deal more favorable for customers. First, in VY, there was no remaining utility 18 19 over which the Vermont PUC could regulate. Entergy is now completely out of the 20 state of Vermont. Accordingly, the state of Vermont had motivation to include 21 additional terms, including inclusion on the parent support guaranty with the NRC, as 22 they had reduced regulatory oversight over NorthStar compared to a public utility 23 company such as Entergy. By contrast, DEF is still the owner of CR3 and the FPSC

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consortium, the two parent companies, which are Orano		
and NorthStar Orano is a well-capitalized entity of		
which has minimal risk of not being able to support the		
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enhancements that we're talking about in terms of		
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could be sometime before anybody knows what's really		
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Q Okay. And if the commission requires that		
this recommended enhancement be made part of the DSA		
and the ADP parties refuse to agree to do so, would it		
be your recommendation that the commission not approve		

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2	price Duke and in essence Duke's customers should be
3	willing to pay to include your enhancements?
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5	you.
6	Q Are you aware of instances where NorthStar
7	was not able the meet its contractual responsibilities
8	related to a nuclear decommissioning?
9	A NorthStar has not done a nuclear
10	decommissioning of this size.
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12	prior to the 2017 acquisition by the consortium. It's
13	hard to tell who acquired who in that configuration.
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19		course of action and opines on NorthStar's financial situation based on his expertise.
20		Incorrect characterization of basic accounting principles, holding out inaccurate
21		financial information multiple times as fact, and representing accounting standards
22		that are out of date by nearly 20 years as current GAAP undermines the credibility of
23		the remaining financial review performed.

**Q**. 1 Mr. Polich makes a sweeping assessment of NorthStar's financial situation on 2 page 24 of his testimony. What is your response to that opinion? 3 A. I completely disagree with his assessment. 4 5 О. From your perspective, what is the proper context for evaluating NorthStar's financial position? 6 7 A. The Company should be evaluated as a going concern, and not on a hypothetical liquidation salvage value. NorthStar generated of revenue in 2019, resulting 8 of net income. Net cash generated from operating activities, defined 9 in In 2019 "Earnings before Interest, Taxes, 10 according to GAAP, was Depreciation, and Amortization" (EBITDA), a common financial measurement used 11 12 as a proxy for cash earnings, was implying a market value of nearly or more using common earnings multiples for companies with similar profiles. 13 This is in contrast to the minimal or negative available resources calculated in Mr. 14 15 Polich's hypothetical scenario. Despite continuing growth and the 2019 dividend payment referenced by Mr. Polich, the Company remains conservatively leveraged, 16 with a net leverage ratio (Net debt / EBITDA) of only at year-end 2019. 17 Consistent with my going concern testimony above, these results are sustained by 18 of reported revenue backlog entering 2020, and a larger pipeline of 19 additional opportunities. 2020 has continued the strong performance trends to date, 20 with both revenue and EBITDA up significantly compared to 2019 through the first 21 four months of 2020. Mr. Polich's failure to acknowledge this full context, before 22

that tying up approximately 20% of a project's total revenue value up front, in cash,
should have no detrimental impact to project or entity finances further undercuts Mr.
Polich's credibility to speak as a financial expert. Capital has a cost, and this is a
material use of cash that was not contemplated in the transaction economics. In
addition, his argument for this point is based on a flawed accounting premise, as
previously discussed.

7 I would also note that Mr. Polich, during his deposition, refused to acknowledge that this requirement would reduce resources available to complete the decommissioning 8 9 work. In another example of inconsistent and inaccurate testimony, he represented 10 multiple times that restricted cash or trust assets could be borrowed against (see pages 61, 119-20 of Exhibit No. \_\_ (JA-2), while testifying in his deposition that the 11 12 existing Vermont Yankee trust funds should be assigned a value of zero in his 13 financial analysis. Beyond this inconsistency in his testimony, his testimony is also inaccurate, as this type of borrowing is also prohibited by the Company's existing 14 15 credit agreement.

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#### 17 Q. Do you have any other comments about Mr. Polich's suggested amendments?

A. Yes, regarding the request to increase the retainage from six percent to ten percent, I
believe Mr. Polich fails to appreciate the significance of the

20 and the value that creates for DEF's customers. Waste disposal is a key 21 cost variable and risk in any decommissioning project, and the committed value of 22 this airspace directly offsets the cost of completing the project. I would also note that 23 Mr. Polich is wrong about the details of the VY transaction. He asserts that NorthStar

1 agreed to ten percent in that deal, but the ten percent retainage only starts after 2 NorthStar has taken \$100 million from that trust fund. By comparison, in this transaction, the six percent retainage begins immediately. That is in addition to the 3 4 significant value of the initial \$50 million funding, including the 5 So with respect to this item, the CR3 transaction actually offers more upfront 6 protection, in a transaction structure where the counterparty retains control of the 7 decommissioning trust. Consistent with my previous testimony, he also misrepresents the ability to borrow against these provisional trust assets and remains 8 9 inconsistent by stating that these assets remain available to the project despite 10 assigning zero value to the Vermont Yankee trust assets in his analysis. 11 12 **Q**. Do you have any other comments on comparisons made to NorthStar's Vermont Yankee transaction? 13 A. Yes. Mr. Polich makes a number of comparisons between the CR3 structure and the 14 15 VY transaction. It appears he has selectively chosen certain terms from that transaction to apply in this transaction without appropriate consideration of the full 16 17 context. There are key differences in the framework of the two deals that make the CR3 deal more favorable for customers. First, in VY, there was no remaining utility 18 19 over which the Vermont PUC could regulate. Entergy is now completely out of the 20 state of Vermont. Accordingly, the state of Vermont had motivation to include 21 additional terms, including inclusion on the parent support guaranty with the NRC, as 22 they had reduced regulatory oversight over NorthStar compared to a public utility 23 company such as Entergy. By contrast, DEF is still the owner of CR3 and the FPSC

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consortium, the two parent companies, which are Orano		
and NorthStar Orano is a well-capitalized entity of		
which has minimal risk of not being able to support the		
parental support agreement.		
Without that covenant, if the project gets in		
financial trouble and again, with the other		
enhancements that we're talking about in terms of		
frequency of reporting of information to Duke as well		
in Recommendation 4, as well as Recommendation 5, it		
could be sometime before anybody knows what's really		
going on		
Q Okay. And if the commission requires that		
this recommended enhancement be made part of the DSA		
and the ADP parties refuse to agree to do so, would it		
be your recommendation that the commission not approve		

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1	Q Okay. Do you have an idea of what higher
2	price Duke and in essence Duke's customers should be
3	willing to pay to include your enhancements?
4	A Let's use the \$10,000,000 figure I just gave
5	you.
6	Q Are you aware of instances where NorthStar
7	was not able the meet its contractual responsibilities
8	related to a nuclear decommissioning?
9	A NorthStar has not done a nuclear
10	decommissioning of this size.
11	I have to go back to their balance sheets
12	prior to the 2017 acquisition by the consortium. It's
13	hard to tell who acquired who in that configuration.
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21	Q But the question I'm asking, notwithstanding
22	that, were there any instances in which NorthStar did
23	not comply and complete their contractual
24	responsibilities related to a nuclear decommissioning?
25	A Again, going back to what they were

### Exhibit C DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA, LLC Confidentiality Justification Matrix

<b>DOCUMENT/RESPONSES</b>	PAGE/LINE	JUSTIFICATION
Rebuttal Testimony of	Page 11, Line 15: All	§366.093(3)(d), F.S.
Terry Hobbs on behalf of	information after "ADP CR3	The document in question
Duke Energy Florida, LLC	will post a" and before "letter	contains confidential
	of credit which" is	information, the disclosure of
	confidential.	which would impair DEF's
		efforts to contract for goods or
		services on favorable terms.
		§366.093(3)(e), F.S.
		The document in question
		contains confidential
		information, the disclosure of
		which would impair DEF's
		competitive interests.
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Rebuttal Testimony of	Page 20, Line 13: All	§366.093(3)(d), F.S.
Terry Hobbs on behalf of Duke Energy Florida, LLC	information before "payable upon demand by DEF" is	The document in question contains confidential
Duke Energy Florida, LLC	confidential.	information, the disclosure of
	connucintial.	which would impair DEF's
		efforts to contract for goods or
		services on favorable terms.
		§366.093(3)(e), F.S.
		The document in question
		contains confidential
		information, the disclosure of
		which would impair DEF's
		competitive interests.
Rebuttal Testimony of	Page 26, Lines 2-3: All	§366.093(3)(d), F.S.
Terry Hobbs on behalf of	information after "covering an	The document in question
Duke Energy Florida, LLC	aggregate of" and before "of	contains confidential
	the value of the work" is	information, the disclosure of
	confidential.	which would impair DEF's
		efforts to contract for goods or
		services on favorable terms.
		§366.093(3)(e), F.S.
		The document in question

		contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's competitive interests.
Rebuttal Testimony of Terry Hobbs on behalf of Duke Energy Florida, LLC	Page 28, Lines 3-4: All information after "ADP CR3 will also deposit the" and before "into the Provisional Milestone Account" is confidential.	<ul> <li>§366.093(3)(d), F.S.</li> <li>The document in question contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's efforts to contract for goods or services on favorable terms.</li> <li>§366.093(3)(e), F.S.</li> <li>The document in question contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's competitive interests.</li> </ul>
Rebuttal Testimony of Terry Hobbs on behalf of Duke Energy Florida, LLC	<b>Page 28, Line 9</b> : All information after "The amount guaranteed under the" and before "will" is confidential.	\$366.093(3)(d), F.S. The document in question contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's efforts to contract for goods or services on favorable terms.
		§366.093(3)(e), F.S. The document in question contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's competitive interests.
Rebuttal Testimony of Terry Hobbs on behalf of Duke Energy Florida, LLC	Page 28, Line 10: All information after "dollar-for- dollar until the" and before "is fully released" is confidential.	§366.093(3)(d), F.S. The document in question contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's efforts to contract for goods or services on favorable terms.
		§366.093(3)(e), F.S. The document in question

		contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's competitive interests.
Rebuttal Testimony of Terry Hobbs on behalf of Duke Energy Florida, LLC	Page 28, Line 14: All information after "The" and before "is Exhibit I of the DSA." is confidential.	<ul> <li>§366.093(3)(d), F.S.</li> <li>The document in question contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's efforts to contract for goods or services on favorable terms.</li> <li>§366.093(3)(e), F.S.</li> <li>The document in question contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's competitive interests.</li> </ul>
Rebuttal Testimony of Terry Hobbs on behalf of Duke Energy Florida, LLC	<b>Page 28, Lines 14-15</b> : All information after "The" and before "If," is confidential.	§366.093(3)(d), F.S. The document in question contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's efforts to contract for goods or services on favorable terms.
		§366.093(3)(e), F.S. The document in question contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's competitive interests.
Rebuttal Testimony of Terry Hobbs on behalf of Duke Energy Florida, LLC	<b>Page 28, Line 16</b> : All information after "prior to the" and before "being fully released" is confidential.	§366.093(3)(d), F.S. The document in question contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's efforts to contract for goods or services on favorable terms.
		\$366.093(3)(e), F.S. The document in question

		contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's competitive interests.
Rebuttal Testimony of Terry Hobbs on behalf of Duke Energy Florida, LLC	Page 28, Lines 18-22: All information after "membership interests of ADP CR3, then" is confidential.	<ul> <li>§366.093(3)(d), F.S.</li> <li>The document in question contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's efforts to contract for goods or services on favorable terms.</li> <li>§366.093(3)(e), F.S.</li> <li>The document in question contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's competitive interests.</li> </ul>
Rebuttal Testimony of Jeff Adix on behalf of Duke Energy Florida, LLC	<b>Page 9, Lines 8-11</b> : All information after "of my Exhibit No(JA-2))." and before "In addition, on page 79" is confidential.	§366.093(3)(d), F.S. The document in question contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's efforts to contract for goods or services on favorable terms.
		§366.093(3)(e), F.S. The document in question contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's competitive interests.
Rebuttal Testimony of Jeff Adix on behalf of Duke Energy Florida, LLC	Page 11, Line 8: All information after "NorthStar generated" and before "of revenue in 2019" is confidential.	§366.093(3)(d), F.S. The document in question contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's efforts to contract for goods or services on favorable terms.
		§366.093(3)(e), F.S. The document in question

		contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's competitive interests.
Rebuttal Testimony of Jeff Adix on behalf of Duke Energy Florida, LLC	Page 11, Line 9: All information after "in" and before "of net income." is confidential.	<ul> <li>§366.093(3)(d), F.S.</li> <li>The document in question contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's efforts to contract for goods or services on favorable terms.</li> <li>§366.093(3)(e), F.S.</li> <li>The document in question contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's competitive interests.</li> </ul>
Rebuttal Testimony of Jeff Adix on behalf of Duke Energy Florida, LLC	<b>Page 11, Line 10</b> : All information after "to GAAP, was" and before "In 2019" is confidential.	§366.093(3)(d), F.S. The document in question contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's efforts to contract for goods or services on favorable terms.
		§366.093(3)(e), F.S. The document in question contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's competitive interests.
Rebuttal Testimony of Jeff Adix on behalf of Duke Energy Florida, LLC	<b>Page 11, Line 12</b> : All information after "cash earnings, was" and before "implying a market value" is confidential.	§366.093(3)(d), F.S. The document in question contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's efforts to contract for goods or services on favorable terms.
		\$366.093(3)(e), F.S. The document in question

		contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's competitive interests.
Rebuttal Testimony of Jeff Adix on behalf of Duke Energy Florida, LLC	Page 11, Lines 12-13: All information after "of nearly" and before "or more using common earnings multiples" is confidential.	<ul> <li>§366.093(3)(d), F.S. The document in question contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's efforts to contract for goods or services on favorable terms.</li> <li>§366.093(3)(e), F.S. The document in question contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's competitive interests.</li> </ul>
Rebuttal Testimony of Jeff Adix on behalf of Duke Energy Florida, LLC	<b>Page 11, Line 17</b> : All information after "of only" and before "at year-end 2019." is confidential.	§366.093(3)(d), F.S. The document in question contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's efforts to contract for goods or services on favorable terms.
		§366.093(3)(e), F.S. The document in question contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's competitive interests.
Rebuttal Testimony of Jeff Adix on behalf of Duke Energy Florida, LLC	Page 11, Line 19: All information before "of reported revenue backlog" is confidential.	§366.093(3)(d), F.S. The document in question contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's efforts to contract for goods or services on favorable terms.
		§366.093(3)(e), F.S. The document in question

		contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's competitive interests.
Rebuttal Testimony of Jeff Adix on behalf of Duke Energy Florida, LLC	<b>Page 14, Lines 19-20</b> : All information after "the significance of the" and before "and the value that creates" is confidential.	<ul> <li>§366.093(3)(d), F.S.</li> <li>The document in question contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's efforts to contract for goods or services on favorable terms.</li> <li>§366.093(3)(e), F.S.</li> </ul>
		The document in question contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's competitive interests.
Rebuttal Testimony of Jeff Adix on behalf of Duke Energy Florida, LLC	Page 15, Line 4: All information after "including the" is confidential.	§366.093(3)(d), F.S. The document in question contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's efforts to contract for goods or services on favorable terms.
		§366.093(3)(e), F.S. The document in question contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's competitive interests.
Exhibit No(JA-2) attached to the Rebuttal	Exhibit No(JA-2), page 2 of 9	§366.093(3)(d), F.S. The document in question
Testimony of Jeff Adix on	$\mathbf{D}_{\mathbf{D}}_{\mathbf{D}_{\mathbf{D}_{\mathbf{D}}_{\mathbf{D}_{\mathbf{D}_{\mathbf{D}}_{\mathbf{D}_{\mathbf{D}}_{\mathbf{D}_{\mathbf{D}}}}}}}}}}$	contains confidential
behalf of Duke Energy Florida, LLC	<b>Page 58, Lines 5-12</b> : All information is confidential; and	information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's efforts to contract for goods or services on favorable terms.
	<b>Page 58, Lines 19-20</b> : All information after "going on" is confidential.	\$366.093(3)(e), F.S. The document in question

		contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's competitive interests.
Exhibit No(JA-2) attached to the Rebuttal Testimony of Jeff Adix on behalf of Duke Energy Florida, LLC	Exhibit No(JA-2), page 4 of 9 Page 79, Lines 1-25: All information is confidential.	<ul> <li>§366.093(3)(d), F.S.</li> <li>The document in question contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's efforts to contract for goods or services on favorable terms.</li> <li>§366.093(3)(e), F.S.</li> <li>The document in question contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's competitive interests.</li> </ul>
Exhibit No(JA-2) attached to the Rebuttal Testimony of Jeff Adix on behalf of Duke Energy Florida, LLC	Exhibit No(JA-2), page 6 of 9 Page 120, Lines 11-25: All information after "5." is confidential.	<ul> <li>§366.093(3)(d), F.S. The document in question contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's efforts to contract for goods or services on favorable terms.</li> <li>§366.093(3)(e), F.S. The document in question contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's competitive interests.</li> </ul>
Exhibit No(JA-2) attached to the Rebuttal Testimony of Jeff Adix on behalf of Duke Energy Florida, LLC	Exhibit No(JA-2), page 7 of 9 Page 144, Lines 1-25: All information is confidential.	<ul> <li>§366.093(3)(d), F.S.</li> <li>The document in question contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's efforts to contract for goods or services on favorable terms.</li> <li>§366.093(3)(e), F.S.</li> <li>The document in question</li> </ul>

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Exhibit No(JA-2) attached to the Rebuttal Testimony of Jeff Adix on behalf of Duke Energy Florida, LLC	Exhibit No(JA-2), page 9 of 9 Page 150, Lines 14-20: All information is confidential.	<ul> <li>§366.093(3)(d), F.S.</li> <li>The document in question contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's efforts to contract for goods or services on favorable terms.</li> <li>§366.093(3)(e), F.S.</li> <li>The document in question contains confidential information, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's competitive interests.</li> </ul>

## **Exhibit D**

# AFFIDAVIT OF TERRY HOBBS

#### **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

In re: Petition by Duke Energy Florida, LLC to Approve Transaction with Accelerated Decommissioning Partners, LLC for Accelerated Decommissioning Services at the CR3 Facility, Transfer of Title to Spent Fuel, and Assumption of Operations of the CR3 Facility Pursuant to the NRC License, and Request for Waiver From Future Application of Rule 25-6.04365, F.A.C. for Nuclear Decommissioning Study

DOCKET NO.: 20190140-EI

Submitted for Filing: July 9, 2020

## AFFIDAVIT OF TERRY HOBBS IN SUPPORT OF DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA, LLC'S ELEVENTH REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION

STATE OF FLORIDA

## COUNTY OF CITRUS

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority duly authorized to administer oaths, personally

appeared Terry Hobbs, who being first duly sworn, on oath, deposes and says that:

1. My name is Terry Hobbs. I am over the age of eighteen (18) and I have been authorized by Duke Energy Florida, LLC (hereinafter "DEF" or "Company") to give this affidavit in the above-styled proceeding on DEF's behalf and in support of DEF's Eleventh Request for Confidential Classification ("DEF's Request"). The facts attested to in my affidavit are based upon my personal knowledge.

2. I am the General Manager for the Decommissioning of the DEF Crystal River Unit 3 Nuclear Plant (the "CR3 Facility").

3. As the General Manager, I am responsible for the overall management, implementation, and coordination of activities to place the CR3 Facility in a long-term dormant condition commonly referred to as a "SAFSTOR" condition. I am also responsible for ensuring

the safe storage of the used nuclear fuel at the CR3 Facility. Additionally, I oversee several managers and I ensure that such managers implement the plant programs, including the ground water monitoring, radiation, control and engineering programs, in an effective and efficient manner.

4. DEF is seeking the confidential classification for certain information contained within the rebuttal testimony of Terry Hobbs on behalf of Duke Energy Florida, LLC, the rebuttal testimony of Jeff Adix on behalf of Duke Energy Florida, LLC, and Exhibit No.\_\_(JA-2) to the rebuttal testimony of Jeff Adix ("DEF Rebuttal Testimony and Exhibit No.\_\_(JA-2)"), filed on June 18, 2020. The confidential information at issue is contained in Amended Exhibit A to DEF's Request and is outlined in DEF's Justification Matrix attached to DEF's Request as Exhibit C. DEF is requesting confidential classification of this information because it contains competitively sensitive confidential information concerning contractual business information and obligations under a contract, the disclosure of which would impair DEF's efforts to contract for goods or services on favorable terms.

5. The confidential information at issue describes, concerns, or relates to commercially sensitive confidential information concerning contractual business information and obligations under a contract between DEF, ADP CR3, LLC and ADP SF1, LLC for decommissioning activities related to the accelerated decommissioning of the CR3 Facility, as well as confidential information that is either subject to current pending requests for confidential classification filed by DEF, or has already been found to be exempt from public disclosure under orders granting confidential classification that have been issued in this proceeding by the Florida Public Service Commission. The disclosure of such information would not only impair the Company's competitive business advantages, but would also violate DEF's contractual

requirements to maintain the confidentiality of such information under the subject contract. Therefore, the confidential information at issue qualifies for confidential classification.

6. DEF is obligated to maintain the confidentiality of certain contractual terms under the subject contract. If DEF cannot assure contracting parties that it can maintain the confidentiality of contractual terms, those parties and other similarly situated parties may forego entering contracts with DEF, which would impair the Company to negotiate such contracts on favorable terms.

7. The information identified as Amended Exhibit A is intended to be and is treated as confidential by the Company. With respect to the information at issue in DEF's Request, such information has not been disclosed to the public, and the Company has treated and continues to treat such information as confidential.

8. Upon receipt of its own confidential information, strict procedures are established and followed to maintain the confidentiality of the terms of the documents and information provided, including restricting access to those persons who need the information to assist the Company, and restricting the number of, and access to the information and contracts. At no time since receiving the information in question has the Company publicly disclosed that information. The Company has treated and continues to treat the information at issue as confidential.

9. This concludes my affidavit.

### FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

#### [Signature Page to Follow]

Dated the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

Terry Hobbs Duke Energy Crystal River, Unit 3 Nuclear Plant 15760 W. Power Line St. Crystal River, FL 34428

The foregoing instrument was sworn to and subscribed before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020, by Terry Hobbs. He is personally known to me, or has produced his \_\_\_\_\_ driver's license, \_\_\_\_\_ or his \_\_\_\_\_\_ as identification.

Signature

(AFFIX NOTARY SEAL)

Printed Name

NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_

Commission Expiration Date