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1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 CHAIRMAN CLARK: All right. The 07 docket is
3 closed and we will OPC open the 01 docket. We have
4 five minutes to finish the 01 docket and we can be
5 out of here, right? We are on a roll, come on. I
6 will give everybody a chance to change over.

7 The considerations that the first four dockets
8 went so well that we should make the prehearing
9 officer Chairman, anybody have any thoughts on
10 that?

11 MS. KEATING: I second.

12 CHAIRMAN CLARK: Very smooth. I will
13 acknowledge. Thank you, Commissioner Fay, for the
14 outstanding work you did in the prehearing on the
15 first four. We will reserve judgment and questions
16 on the last one, right.

17 COMMISSIONER FAY: Time will tell.

18 CHAIRMAN CLARK: Time will tell. Great job
19 on -- all the parties are to be commended for the
20 work they did in making this a very efficient
21 process. We've all had plenty of time to review
22 the information and y'all did an outstanding job.

23 All right. Let's open the 01 docket. I
24 didn't know who was in charge for us, Ms.
25 Brownless, but it's you.

1 MS. BROWNLESS: Yes, sir.

2 CHAIRMAN CLARK: Any preliminary matters?

3 MS. BROWNLESS: There are proposed Type 2
4 stipulations for all of the FPUC, FPL/Gulf and TECO
5 issues as stated in the proposed stipulations,
6 Exhibit 65 on the Comprehensive Exhibit List.

7 With regard to DEF, there are Type 2
8 stipulations contained in Exhibit 65 for the
9 following issues: Issues 1A, 1B, 6 through 11, 16
10 through 22, 23A, 23B, 27 through 36.

11 The DEF remaining issues to be heard today are
12 issues 1C, which is the Crystal River Unit 42021
13 outage, and 1D, the Rate Mitigation Plan recovery
14 over two years, which was the subject of Docket No.
15 20210158-EI that has been voted on immediately
16 prior to this proceeding.

17 The issues for which there are proposed Type 2
18 stipulations can be voted on today.

19 CHAIRMAN CLARK: All right. Let's address the
20 prefiled testimony.

21 MS. BROWNLESS: Yes, sir. It is our
22 understanding that the following witnesses have been
23 excused and the prefiled testimonies of witness
24 Dean, Lewter, McClay, Deaton, Yupp, Curtland, Rote,
25 Chin, Anderson, Young, Cutshaw,

1 Sizemore, Bokor, Smith and Heisey have been
2 stipulated to by the parties.

3 We would ask that the prefiled testimony of
4 these witnesses be moved into the record at this
5 time.

6 CHAIRMAN CLARK: All right. The listed
7 prefiled testimony is hereby moved into the record
8 without objection? No objections.

9 (Whereupon, prefiled direct testimony of Gary
10 P. Dean was inserted.)

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DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA, LLC

DOCKET NO. 20210001-EI

**Fuel and Capacity Cost Recovery
Actual True-Up for the Period
January 2020 - December 2020**

**DIRECT TESTIMONY OF
Gary P. Dean**

April 1, 2021

1 **Q. Please state your name and business address.**

2 A. My name is Gary P. Dean. My business address is 299 First Avenue North, St.
3 Petersburg, Florida 33701.

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5 **Q. By whom are you employed and in what capacity?**

6 A. I am employed by Duke Energy Florida, LLC (“DEF” or the “Company”), as Rates
7 and Regulatory Strategy Manager.

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9 **Q. What are your responsibilities in that position?**

10 A. I am responsible for regulatory planning and cost recovery for DEF. These
11 responsibilities include completion of regulatory financial reports and analysis of
12 state, federal and local regulations and their impacts on DEF. In this capacity, I am
13 responsible for DEF’s Final True-Up, Actual/Estimated Projection and Projection
14 Filings in the Fuel Adjustment Clause, Capacity Cost Recovery Clause and
15 Environmental Cost Recovery Clause.

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17 **Q. Please describe your educational background and professional experience.**

1 A. I joined DEF on April 27, 2020 as the Rates and Regulatory Strategy Manager.
2 Prior to working at DEF, I was the Senior Manager, Optimization for Chesapeake
3 Utilities Corporation (“CUC”). In this role, I was responsible for all pricing related
4 to the company’s natural gas retail business. Prior to working at CUC, I was the
5 General Manager, Electric Operations for South Jersey Energy Company
6 (“SJEC”). In that capacity I held P&L and strategic development responsibility
7 for the company’s electric retail book. Prior to working at SJEC I had various
8 positions associated with rates and regulatory affairs. In these positions I was
9 responsible for all rate and regulatory matters, including tariff and rate design,
10 financial modeling and analysis, and ensuring accurate rates for billing. I received
11 a Master of Business Administration from Rutgers University and a Bachelor of
12 Science degree in Commerce and Engineering, majoring in Finance, from Drexel
13 University.

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15 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

16 A. The purpose of my testimony is to provide DEF’s Fuel Adjustment Clause final true-
17 up amount for the period of January 2020 through December 2020, and DEF’s
18 Capacity Cost Recovery Clause final true-up amount for the same period.

19
20 **Q. Have you prepared exhibits to your testimony?**

21 A. Yes, I have prepared and attached to my true-up testimony as Exhibit No. __ (GPD-
22 1T), a Fuel Adjustment Clause true-up calculation and related schedules; Exhibit No.
23 __ (GPD-2T), a Capacity Cost Recovery Clause true-up calculation and related

1 schedules; Exhibit No. __ (GPD-3T), Schedules A1 through A3, A6, and A12 for
2 December 2020, year-to-date; and Exhibit No. __ (GPD-4T), with DEF's capital
3 structure and cost rates. Schedules A1 through A9, and A12 for the year ended
4 December 31, 2020, were filed with the Commission on January 19, 2021.

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6 **Q. What is the source of the data that you will present by way of testimony or**
7 **exhibits in this proceeding?**

8 A. Unless otherwise indicated, the actual data is taken from the books and records of
9 the Company. The books and records are kept in the regular course of business in
10 accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and practices, and
11 provisions of the Uniform System of Accounts as prescribed by the Federal Energy
12 Regulatory Commission, and any accounting rules and orders established by this
13 Commission. The Company relies on the information included in this testimony and
14 exhibits in the conduct of its affairs.

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16 **Q. Would you please summarize your testimony?**

17 A. Per Order No. PSC-2021-0024-FOF-EI, the estimated 2020 fuel adjustment true-up
18 amount was an over-recovery of \$61.1 million. The actual over-recovery for 2020
19 was \$21.6 million, resulting in a final fuel adjustment true-up under-recovery amount
20 of \$39.5 million. Exhibit No. __ (GPD-1T).

21 Per Order No. PSC-2021-0024-FOF-EI, the estimated 2020 capacity cost recovery
22 true-up amount was an under-recovery of \$0.4 million. The actual amount for 2020

1 was an over-recovery of \$6.1 million, resulting in a final capacity true-up over-
2 recovery amount of \$6.5 million. Exhibit No. __ (GPD-2T).

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FUEL COST RECOVERY

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**Q. What is DEF's jurisdictional ending balance as of December 31, 2020 for fuel
6 cost recovery?**

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A. The actual ending balance as of December 31, 2020 for true-up purposes is an over-
8 recovery of \$21,579,587, as shown on Exhibit No. __ (GPD-1T).

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10 **Q. How does this amount compare to DEF's estimated 2020 ending balance
11 included in the Company's Actual/Estimated Filing?**

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A. The actual true-up amount for the January 2020 - December 2020 period is an over-
13 recovery of \$21,579,587, which is \$39,503,838 lower than the re-projected year end
14 over-recovery balance of \$61,083,424, as shown on Exhibit No. __ (GPD-1T).

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16 **Q. How was the final true-up ending balance determined?**

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A. The amount was determined in the manner set forth on Schedule A2 of the
18 Commission's standard forms previously submitted by the Company on a monthly
19 basis.

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21 **Q. What factors contributed to the period-ending jurisdictional net under-
22 recovery of \$39,503,838 shown on your Exhibit No. __ (GPD-1T)?**

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1 A. The \$39.5 million is driven primarily by \$58.3 million higher fuel and purchased
2 power costs, which resulted from \$49.5 million of increased generation costs and
3 \$10.9 million increased purchased power costs, offset by \$19.1 million higher sales
4 and \$2.9 million of coal inventory adjustments from semi-annual aerial surveys.

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6 **Q. Please explain the components shown on Exhibit No. __ (GPD-1T), sheet 6 of 6,**
7 **which helps to explain the \$55.4 million unfavorable system variance from the**
8 **projected cost of fuel and net purchased power transactions.**

9 A. Exhibit No. __ (GPD-1T), sheet 6 of 6 is an analysis of the system dollar variance for
10 each energy source in terms of three interrelated components; (1) changes in the
11 amount (mWh's) of energy required; (2) changes in the heat rate of generated energy
12 (BTU's per kWh); and (3) changes in the unit price of either fuel consumed for
13 generation (\$ per million BTU) or energy purchases and sales (cents per kWh). The
14 \$55.4 million unfavorable system variance is mainly attributable to increased natural
15 gas generation and firm purchases, partially offset by lower Qualifying Facilities
16 (cogeneration) costs.

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18 **Q. Does this period ending true-up balance include any noteworthy adjustments to**
19 **fuel expense?**

20 A. Yes. Noteworthy adjustments are shown on Exhibit No. __ (GPD-3T) in the footnote
21 to line 6b on page 1 of 2, Schedule A2.

22 Consistent with Order No. PSC-2018-0240-PAA-EQ dated May 8, 2018, DEF
23 included an adjustment of approximately \$13.6 million system (\$13.5 million retail)

1 for amortization of the Florida Power Development, LLC qualifying facility
2 regulatory asset partially offset by a credit of approximately \$13.3 million system
3 (\$13.2 million retail) related to Citrus. These adjustments are shown on Exhibit No.
4 ___(GPD-3T), in the footnotes to Line 6b on page 1 of 2, Schedule A2, and on line
5 3, page 1 of 2, Schedule A1.

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7 **Q. Did DEF make an adjustment for changes in coal inventory based on an Aerial**
8 **Survey?**

9 A. Yes. DEF included an adjustment of \$2.9 million to coal inventory attributable to
10 the semi-annual aerial surveys conducted on May 8, 2020, and October 14, 2020, in
11 accordance with Order No. PSC-1997-0359-FOF-EI, Docket No. 19970001-EI. This
12 adjustment represents 2.28% of the total coal consumed at the Crystal River facility
13 in 2020.

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15 **Q. Did DEF exceed the economy sales threshold in 2020?**

16 A. No. DEF did not exceed the gain on economy sales threshold of \$1.6 million in 2020.
17 As reported on Schedule A1-2, Line 11a, the gain for the year-to-date period through
18 December 2020 was \$1.2 million. This entire amount was returned to customers
19 through a reduction of total fuel and net purchased power expense recovered through
20 the fuel clause.

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1 **Q. Has the three-year rolling average gain on economy sales included in the**
 2 **Company's filing for the November 2020 hearings been updated to incorporate**
 3 **actual data for all of year 2020?**

4 A. Yes. DEF has calculated its three-year rolling average gain on economy sales, based
 5 entirely on actual data for calendar years 2018 through 2020, as follows:

	<u>Year</u>	<u>Actual Gain</u>
	2018	\$ 2,269,916
	2019	\$ 1,649,136
	2020	<u>\$ 1,233,709</u>
Three-Year Average		<u>\$1,717,587</u>

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13 CAPACITY COST RECOVERY

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15 **Q. What is the Company's jurisdictional ending balance as of December 31, 2020**
 16 **for capacity cost recovery?**

17 A. The actual ending balance as of December 31, 2020 for true-up purposes is an over-
 18 recovery of \$6,070,083, as shown on Exhibit No. __ (GPD-2T).

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20 **Q. How does this amount compare to the estimated 2020 ending balance included**
 21 **in the Company's Actual/Estimated Filing?**

22 A. When the estimated 2020 under-recovery of \$463,084 is compared to the \$6,070,083
 23 actual over-recovery, the final capacity true-up for the twelve-month period ended

1 December 2020 is an over-recovery of \$6,533,167, as shown on Exhibit No.
2 __ (GPD-2T).

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4 **Q. Is this true-up calculation consistent with the true-up methodology used for the**
5 **other cost recovery clauses?**

6 A. Yes. The calculation of the final net true-up amount follows the procedures
7 established by the Commission.

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9 **Q. What factors contributed to the actual period-end capacity over-recovery of**
10 **\$6.5 million?**

11 A. Exhibit No. __ (GPD-2T, sheet 1 of 3) compares actual results to the original
12 projection for the period. The \$6.5 million over-recovery is primarily due to higher
13 mWh sales.

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15 **Q. Does this conclude your direct true-up testimony?**

16 A. Yes.

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2 **DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA, LLC**

3 **DOCKET NO. 20210001-EI**

4 **Fuel and Capacity Cost Recovery**
5 **Actual/Estimated True-Up Amounts**
6 **January 2021 through December 2021**

7 **DIRECT TESTIMONY OF**
8 **GARY P. DEAN**

9 **July 27, 2021**

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11 **Q. Please state your name and business address.**

12 A. My name is Gary P. Dean. My business address is 299 1st Avenue North,
13 St. Petersburg, Florida 33701.

14

15 **Q. Have you previously filed testimony before this Commission in**
16 **Docket No. 20210001-EI?**

17 A. Yes. I provided direct testimony on April 1, 2021.

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19 **Q: Has your job description, education, background and professional**
20 **experience changed since that time?**

21 A. No.

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23 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

24 A. The purpose of my testimony is to present for Commission approval the
25 actual/estimated fuel and capacity cost recovery true-up amounts of Duke

1 Energy Florida, LLC (“DEF” or the “Company”) for the period of January
2 2021 through December 2021.

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4 **Q. Do you have an exhibit to your testimony?**

5 A. Yes. I have prepared Exhibit No. __ (GPD-2), which is attached to my
6 prepared testimony, consisting of two parts. Part 1 consists of Schedules
7 E1-B through E9, which include the calculation of the 2021
8 actual/estimated fuel and purchased power true-up balance, and a
9 schedule to support the capital structure components and cost rates relied
10 upon to calculate the return requirements on all capital projects recovered
11 through the fuel clause as required per Order No. PSC-2020-0165-PAA-
12 EU. Part 2 consists of Schedules E12-A through E12-C, which include the
13 calculation of the 2021 actual/estimated capacity true-up balance. The
14 calculations in my exhibit are based on actual data from January through
15 June 2021 and estimated data from July through December 2021.

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FUEL COST RECOVERY

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19 **Q. What is the amount of DEF’s 2021 estimated fuel true-up balance and**
20 **how was it developed?**

21 A. DEF’s estimated fuel true-up balance is a \$169,535,467 under-recovery.
22 The calculation begins with the actual under-recovered balance of
23 \$105,928,013 taken from Schedule A2, page 2 of 2, line 13, for the
24 month of June 2021. This balance plus the estimated July through

1 December 2021 monthly true-up calculations comprise the estimated
2 \$169,535,467 under-recovered balance at year-end. The increase in the
3 currently projected 2021 under-recovery is primarily due to sizable
4 increases in natural gas prices. DEF will continue to monitor natural gas
5 prices and update its 2021 forecast and true-up balance in its 2022
6 projection filing. The projected December 2021 true-up balance includes
7 interest which is estimated from July through December 2021 based on
8 the average of the beginning and ending commercial paper rate applied
9 in June. That rate is 0.5% per month.

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11 **Q. DEF filed a Petition for a Mid-course Correction on July 9, 2021 in this**
12 **Docket. Did DEF incorporate the proposed Mid-course Correction**
13 **into the 2021 Actual/Estimated Filing?**

14 A. Yes. The Total True-Up Balance of \$169,535,467 shown on Exhibit GPD-
15 2, Schedule E1-B, Line 13, Page 2 of 2, incorporates the recovery of the
16 requested Midcourse Correction of \$39,503,838, beginning in October
17 2021, as shown on Exhibit GPD-2, Schedule E1-B-1, Line 22. The
18 \$39,503,838 is the difference between the \$61,083,424 and \$21,579,587
19 on Exhibit GPD-1T, Sheet 1 of 6, in DEF's 2020 FAC True-Up filed on April
20 1, 2021 in the instant docket. If the Commission were to approve DEF's
21 requested Midcourse adjustment to become effective with September
22 2021 billing, DEF will incorporate that impact into the Schedule E1-B to be
23 filed with DEF's 2022 Projection Filing on September 3rd.

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1 **Q. How does the current forecast of fuel costs on Schedule E3 for July**
2 **through December 2021 compare with the same period forecast used**
3 **in the Company's 2021 Projection Filing approved in Order No. PSC-**
4 **2021-0024-FOF-EI?**

5 A. Light oil decreased \$0.74/mmbtu (-4%). Coal and natural gas increased
6 \$0.13/mmbtu (5%) and \$0.62/mmbtu (15%), respectively.

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8 **Q. Have any adjustments been made to estimated fuel costs for the**
9 **period January through December 2021?**

10 A. Yes. Consistent with Order No. PSC-2018-0240-PAA-EQ dated June 8,
11 2018, DEF included an adjustment of approximately \$13.15 million
12 (grossed up to approximately \$13.20 million from retail to system) for the
13 amortization of Florida Power Development, LLC qualifying facility
14 regulatory asset from January 2021 through December 2021. This
15 adjustment is included on Schedule E1-B, line A5, columns Jan Actual
16 through Dec Estimated. DEF also included an adjustment of
17 approximately \$1.94 million to coal inventory attributable to the semi-
18 annual aerial survey conducted on May 4, 2021 in accordance with Order
19 No. PSC-1997-0359-FOF-EI in Docket No. 1997001-EI.

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21 **Q: Has DEF made an adjustment to remove the replacement power**
22 **costs associated with the Spring 2021 unplanned outage at Crystal**
23 **River Unit 4?**

1 A: No. As detailed in the direct testimony of Joseph Simpson, DEF's actions
2 were prudent and therefore no adjustment has been made.

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4 **Q. Does DEF expect to exceed the three-year rolling average gain on**
5 **non-separated power sales in 2021?**

6 A. No. DEF estimates the total gain on non-separated sales during 2021 will
7 be \$1,420,960 which does not exceed the three-year rolling average of
8 \$1,714,254.

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10 **CAPACITY COST RECOVERY**

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12 **Q. What is DEF's 2021 estimated capacity true-up balance and how was**
13 **it developed?**

14 A. DEF's estimated capacity true-up balance is an \$9,797,053 over-recovery.
15 The estimated true-up calculation begins with the actual under-recovered
16 balance of \$16,368,856 as of June 2021. This balance plus the estimated
17 July through December 2021 monthly true-up calculations comprise the
18 estimated \$9,797,053 over-recovered balance at year-end. The projected
19 December 2021 true-up balance includes interest which is estimated from
20 July through December 2021 based on the average of the beginning and
21 ending commercial paper rate applied in June. That rate is 0.5% per
22 month.

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1 **Q. What are the primary drivers of the estimated year-end 2021 capacity**
2 **over-recovery?**

3 A. The \$9.8 million over-recovery is primarily attributable to the \$6.5 million
4 2020 Capacity Cost Recovery Clause net over-recovery filed on April 1,
5 2021 in the instant docket.

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7 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

8 A. Yes.

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DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA, LLC**DOCKET No. 20210001-EI****Fuel and Capacity Cost Recovery Factors
January 2022 through December 2022****DIRECT TESTIMONY OF
GARY P. DEAN****September 3, 2021**

1 **Q. Please state your name and business address.**

2 A. My name is Gary P. Dean. My business address is 299 1st Avenue North, St.
3 Petersburg, Florida 33701.

4

5 **Q. Have you previously filed testimony before this Commission in Docket**
6 **No. 20210001-EI?**

7 A. Yes, I provided direct testimony on April 1, 2021 and July 27, 2021.

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9 **Q. Has your job description, education, background, and professional**
10 **experience changed since that time?**

11 A. No.

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1 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

2 A. The purpose of my testimony is to present for Commission approval the fuel and
3 capacity cost recovery factors of Duke Energy Florida, LLC (“DEF” or the
4 “Company”) for the period of January 2022 through December 2022.

5
6 **Q. Do you have an exhibit to your testimony?**

7 A. Yes. I have prepared Exhibit No.__(GPD-3), consisting of Parts 1, 2 and 3. Part
8 1 contains DEF’s fuel cost forecast assumptions. Part 2 contains fuel cost
9 recovery (“FCR”) schedules E1 through E10, H1 and the calculation of the
10 inverted residential fuel rate. I have also included a schedule to support the capital
11 structure components and cost rates relied upon to calculate the return
12 requirements on all capital projects recovered through the fuel clause as required
13 by Order No. PSC-2020-0165-PAA-EU. Part 3 contains capacity cost recovery
14 (“CCR”) schedules.

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FUEL COST RECOVERY CLAUSE

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18 **Q. Please describe the fuel cost factors calculated by the Company for the**
19 **projection period.**

20 A. Schedule E1 shows the calculation of the Company’s jurisdictional fuel cost
21 factor of 3.986 ¢/kWh. This factor consists of a fuel cost for the projection

1 period of 3.6375 ¢/kWh (adjusted for jurisdictional losses), an estimated prior
2 period under-recovery true-up of 0.3136 ¢/kWh, a GPIF reward of 0.0068
3 ¢/kWh, and a Clean Energy Connection (“CEC”) Program bill credit of 0.0282
4 ¢/kWh. Using this factor, Schedule E1-D shows the calculation and supporting
5 data for the Company's levelized fuel cost factors for service taken at
6 secondary, primary and transmission metering voltage levels. To perform this
7 calculation, effective jurisdictional sales at the secondary level are calculated
8 and 1% and 2% metering reduction factors are applied to primary and
9 transmission sales, respectively (forecasted at meter level). This is consistent
10 with the methodology used in the development of the CCR factors.

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12 Schedule E1-D, lines 11-12 show the Company's proposed tiered rates of 3.681
13 ¢/kWh for the first 1,000 kWh and 4.751 ¢/kWh above 1,000 kWh. These rates
14 are developed in the “Calculation of Inverted Residential Fuel Rates” schedule
15 in Part 2 of my exhibit.

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17 Schedule E1-E develops the Time of Use (“TOU”) multipliers of 1.281 On-Peak,
18 0.984 Off-Peak and 0.732 Super Off-Peak, consistent with paragraph 15 of DEFs
19 2021 Settlement Agreement approved in Order No. PSC-2021-0202-AS-EI. The
20 multipliers are then applied to the levelized fuel cost factors for each metering

1 voltage level which results in the final TOU fuel factors to be applied to customer
2 bills during the projection period.

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4 **Q. Did DEF incorporate its approved mid-course correction into the 2022**
5 **Projection Filing?**

6 A. Yes. Per Order No. PSC-2021-0328-PCO-EI, dated August 30, 2021, the
7 Commission approved a mid-course adjustment to DEF's fuel cost recovery
8 factors effective with the first billing cycle of September 2021. The impact of the
9 mid-course adjustment is incorporated into Exhibit GPD-3, Schedule E1-B,
10 which derives the estimated 2021 fuel true-up under-recovery balance of
11 \$246,837,576.

12
13 **Q. What is the total 2021 net true-up and how has DEF included in the fuel**
14 **cost recovery factor for 2022?**

15 A. The total net true-up under-recovery for 2021 is \$246,837,576. Pursuant to the
16 proposed 2022 Rate Mitigation Plan filed in the instant docket, DEF will recover
17 the total 2021 net true-up over 2022 and 2023. As shown on Exhibit GPD-3,
18 Schedule E1-A, line 5, DEF has included an under-recovery of \$123,418,788.

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1 **Q. Why is there a difference between the estimated 2021 fuel true-up balance**
2 **in DEF's Actual/Estimated Filing filed on Jul 27, 2021 and Schedule E1-B**
3 **of Exhibit GPD-3?**

4 A. The estimated 2021 true-up balance of \$169,535,467 on Exhibit GPD-2,
5 Schedule E1-B in the Actual/Estimated Filing includes actual amounts for
6 January through June 2021, the impact of the mid-course correction beginning
7 in October 2021, and forward curve prices as of June 14, 2021. The true-up
8 balance of \$246,837,576 on Exhibit GPD-3, Schedule E1-B includes actual
9 amounts for January through July 2021, the impact of the mid-course correction
10 beginning in September as approved by the Commission, and forward curve
11 prices as of July 21, 2021. The forward curve prices were updated due to natural
12 gas prices increasing significantly between filing dates.

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14 **Q. What is the change in the levelized residential fuel factor for the projection**
15 **period from the fuel factor currently in effect?**

16 A. The projected levelized residential fuel factor for 2022 of 3.986 ¢/kWh is an
17 increase of 0.477 ¢/kWh or 13.6% from the 2021 revised levelized residential
18 fuel factor of 3.509 ¢/kWh from DEF's mid-course filing.

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1 **Q. Please explain the increase in the 2022 fuel factor compared with the 2021**
2 **fuel factor.**

3 A. The primary drivers of the increase in the 2022 fuel factor are an increase in
4 jurisdictional fuel and purchased power expense of \$153M and an increase in
5 the prior period true-up of \$185M.

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7 **Q. Have you made any adjustments to your estimated fuel costs for the period**
8 **January through December 2022?**

9 A. Yes. Consistent with Order No. PSC-2018-0240-PAA-EQ, dated May 8, 2018,
10 DEF included a retail adjustment of \$12.28M (grossed up to approximately
11 \$12.29M from retail to system) for the January through December 2022
12 amortization of the Florida Power Development, LLC, qualifying facility
13 regulatory asset.

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15 Per the Stipulation approved in Order No. PSC-2021-0059-S-EI, issued on
16 January 26, 2021, DEF has included \$11.1M in cost associated with the 2022
17 bill credits for the DEF CEC Program as shown on Exhibit GPD-3, Schedule E1,
18 line 25. The CEC Program is a voluntary community solar program that allows
19 participating customers to pay a subscription fee in exchange for receiving bill
20 credits related to the solar generation produced by the CEC Program solar
21 facilities. The bill credit reflects the estimated economic value of the program's

1 solar power plants on DEF's system, which consists of reduced fuel, purchased
2 power, and carbon emission costs. As approved in Order No. PSC-2021-0059-
3 S-EI, the bill credit is recovered through DEF's fuel and purchased power cost
4 recovery clause, partially offset by system savings resulting from the addition of
5 the Program's solar power plants.

6
7 **Q. Does the 2022 Projection Filing comply with the 2021 Settlement**
8 **Agreement approved by the Commission in Order No. PSC-2021-0202-AS-**
9 **EI?**

10 A. Yes, all matters in the 2021 Settlement Agreement impacting the instant docket
11 have been incorporated into this filing.

12
13 **Q. Will DEF continue the tiered rate structure for residential customers?**

14 A. Yes, DEF will continue to use inverted rate design for residential fuel factors to
15 encourage energy efficiency and conservation. Specifically, the Company will
16 use a two-tiered fuel charge whereby the charge for a residential customer's
17 monthly usage in excess of 1,000 kWh (second tier) is priced 1.07 cents per
18 kWh higher than the charge for the customer's usage up to 1,000 kWh (first
19 tier). The 1,000-kWh price change breakpoint is reasonable in that
20 approximately 71% of all residential energy is consumed in the first tier and
21 29% in the second tier. The Company believes the 1.07 cent higher per unit

1 price, targeted at the second tier of the residential class' energy consumption,
2 will promote energy efficiency and conservation. This inverted rate design was
3 incorporated in the Company's base rates per the 2021 Settlement Agreement
4 approved by the Commission in Order No. PSC-2021-0202-AS-EI.

5
6 **Q. How was the inverted fuel rate calculated?**

7 A. Exhibit GPD-3, Inverted Fuel Rates, shows the calculation of the fuel cost factors
8 for the two tiers of the residential rate. The two factors are calculated on a
9 revenue neutral basis so that the Company will recover the same fuel costs as it
10 would under the traditional levelized approach. The two-tiered factors are
11 determined by first calculating the amount of revenues that would be generated
12 by the overall levelized residential factor of 3.992 ¢/kWh shown on Schedule E1-
13 D. The two factors are then calculated by allocating the total revenues to the
14 two tiers for residential customers based on the total annual energy usage for
15 each tier.

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17 **Q. How do DEF's projected gains on non-separated wholesale energy sales
18 for 2022 compare to the incentive benchmark?**

19 A. The total gain on non-separated sales for 2022 is estimated to be \$2,460,928
20 which is above the benchmark of \$1,408,076. 100% of gains below the
21 benchmark and 80% of gains above the benchmark will be distributed to

1 customers based on the sharing mechanism approved by the Commission in
2 Order No. PSC-2000-1744-PAA-EI. Therefore, since the total gain on non-
3 separated sales is above the benchmark, \$210,570 of the gains will be retained
4 for shareholders. The benchmark was calculated based on the average of actual
5 gains for 2019 and 2020 of \$1,649,136 and \$1,223,709, respectively, and
6 estimated gains for 2021 of \$1,351,382 in accordance with Order No. PSC-2000-
7 1744-PAA-EI.

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9 **Q. Please explain the entry on Schedule E1, line 11, "Fuel Cost of Stratified**
10 **Sales."**

11 A. DEF has several wholesale contracts with SECI. One contract provides for the
12 sale of supplemental energy to supply the portion of their load in excess of
13 SECI's own resources. The fuel costs charged to SECI for supplemental sales
14 are calculated on a "stratified" basis in a manner which recovers the higher cost
15 of intermediate/peaking generation used to provide the energy. There are other
16 contracts with SECI and Reedy Creek for fixed amounts of base, intermediate,
17 peaking, solar and plant-specific capacity. DEF is crediting average fuel cost of
18 the appropriate strata in accordance with Order No. PSC-1997-0262-FOF-EI.
19 The fuel costs of wholesale sales are normally included in the total cost of fuel
20 and net power transactions used to calculate the average system cost per kWh
21 for fuel adjustment purposes. However, since the fuel costs of the stratified and

1 plant-specific sales are not recovered on an average system cost basis, an
2 adjustment has been made to remove these costs and related kWh sales from
3 the fuel adjustment calculation in the same manner that interchange sales are
4 removed from the calculation.

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6 **Q. Please give a brief overview of the procedure used in developing the**
7 **projected fuel cost data from which the Company's fuel cost recovery**
8 **factor was calculated.**

9 A. The process begins with a fuel price forecast and a system sales forecast.
10 These forecasts are input into the Company's production cost simulation model
11 along with purchased power information, generating unit operating
12 characteristics, maintenance schedules, incremental delivered fuel prices and
13 other pertinent data. The model then computes system fuel consumption and
14 fuel and purchased power costs. This information is the basis for the calculation
15 of the Company's fuel cost factors and supporting schedules.

16
17 **Q. What is the source of the system sales forecast?**

18 A. System sales are forecasted by the DEF Load Forecasting and Fundamentals
19 Department using inputs including a sales-weighted 30-year average of weather
20 conditions at the St. Petersburg, Orlando and Tallahassee weather stations,
21 population projections from the Bureau of Economic and Business Research at

1 the University of Florida, and State of Florida economic assumptions from
2 Moody's Analytics. The Energy Information Agency (EIA) surveys of class
3 energy consumption for the South Atlantic Region are incorporated as well.
4

5 **Q. What is the source of the Company's fuel price forecast?**

6 A. The fuel price forecasts are based on a combination of third-party forecasts and
7 forward contracts currently in place. Additional details and forecast assumptions
8 are provided in Part 1 of my exhibit.
9

10 **Q. Are current fuel prices the same as those used in the development of the
11 projected fuel factor?**

12 A. No. Fuel prices can change significantly from day to day. Consistent with past
13 practices, DEF will continue to monitor fuel prices and update the Projection
14 Filing prior to the November Hearing if changes in fuel prices warrant such an
15 update.
16

17 **Q. Is the 2020 GPIF reward discussed in the March 16, 2021 direct testimony
18 of Mary Ingle Lewter included in 2022 rates?**

19 A. Yes. The GPIF reward of \$2,657,279 is included on Schedule E1, line 24.
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CAPACITY COST RECOVERY CLAUSE

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3 **Q. Please explain the schedules that are included in Exhibit__(GPD-3) Part 3.**

4 A. The following schedules are included in my exhibit:

5 Schedule E12-A – Calculation of Projected Capacity Costs – Year 2022

6 Schedule E12-A, page 1, includes estimated 2022 calendar year system
7 capacity payments to Qualifying Facilities (“QF”) and other power suppliers. The
8 retail portion of the capacity payments is calculated using separation factors
9 consistent with the 2021 Settlement.

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11 The recovery of estimated Dry Casket Storage costs, also referred to as
12 Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation (“ISFSI”) costs, are included
13 Schedule E12-A, page 1, line 35. The calculation of Total Recoverable Capacity
14 & ISFSI costs are shown on line 36.

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16 Schedule E12-A, page 2, provides the dates and MWs associated with the QF
17 and purchase power contracts.

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19 Schedule E12-B – Calculation of Estimated/Actual True-Up - Year 2021

20 Schedule E12-B calculates the estimated true-up capacity over-recovered
21 balance for the calendar year 2021 of \$2,718,273. This schedule was also

1 included in Exhibit GPD-2, Schedule E12-A to my direct testimony filed on July
2 27, 2021, as part of the 2021 Actual/Estimated Filing, with a \$9,797,053 over-
3 recovered year-end 2021 balance. The difference between the two schedules
4 is due to the inclusion of July actual amounts and revised estimated capacity
5 revenues in Schedule E12-B. The balance on Schedule E12-B is carried forward
6 to Schedule E12-A, page 1, line 34 to be refunded to customers from January
7 through December 2022.

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9 Schedule E12-D – Calculation of Energy and Demand Percent by Rate Class

10 Schedule E12-D is the calculation of the 12CP and 25% average demand
11 allocators for each rate class. Schedule E12-D also includes the uniform
12 percentage calculation and allocation of the ISFSI revenue requirement to the
13 rate classes.

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15 Schedule E12-E – Calculation of Capacity Cost Recovery Factors by Rate Class

16 Schedule E12-E, page 1 calculates the May – December 2022 CCR factors for
17 capacity costs for each rate class based on the 12CP and 25% annual average
18 demand allocators and ISFSI costs from Schedule E12-D. The factors for the
19 Residential, General Service Non-Demand, General Service (GS-2) and Lighting
20 secondary delivery rate class in cents per kWh are calculated by multiplying total
21 recoverable jurisdictional capacity from Schedule E12-A by the class demand

1 allocation factor, and then dividing by estimated effective sales at the secondary
2 metering level. The factor for ISFSI in cents per kWh is calculated by dividing
3 recoverable costs allocated on Schedule E12-D by estimated effective sales at
4 the secondary metering level. The factors for primary and transmission rate
5 classes reflect the application of metering reduction factors of 1% and 2% from
6 the secondary factor, respectively. The factors allocate capacity costs to rate
7 classes in the same way as would be allocated if recovered in base rates. ISFSI
8 costs are allocated to rate classes by applying a uniform percent increase as
9 approved in Order No. PSC-2016-0425-PAA-EI. Pursuant to the 2013 Revised
10 and Restated Stipulation and Settlement Agreement approved in Order No.
11 PSC-13-0598-FOF-EI, DEF has prepared the billing rates for the demand
12 (General Service Demand, Curtailable, and Interruptible) rate classes to be on a
13 kilo-watt (kW) rather than a kilo-watt-hour (kWh) basis. These changes are
14 reflected on Schedule E12-E in columns 11 through 13.

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16 Schedule E12-E, page 2 calculates the January – April 2022 CCR credit factors
17 for the delayed in-service timing of Charlie Creek and Sandy Creek SoBRA III
18 solar facilities in accordance with the 2022 Rate Mitigation Plan. The total
19 amount of the credit is approximately \$7.4M. The factors for each rate class are
20 calculated in a similar manner as explained for Schedule E12-E, page 1 above.

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1 Schedule E12-E, page 3 shows the net January – April 2022 CCR factors for the
2 various rate classes in accordance with the 2022 Rate Mitigation Plan.

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4 **Q. Has DEF used the most recent load research information in the**
5 **development of its capacity cost allocation factors?**

6 A. Yes. The 12CP load factor relationships from DEF's most recent load research
7 conducted for the period April 2020 through March 2021 are incorporated into the
8 capacity cost allocation factors. This information is included in DEF's Load
9 Research Report filed with the Commission on July 31, 2021.

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11 **Q. What is the 2022 projected average retail CCR factor?**

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13 A. The 2022 average retail CCR factor for January through April 2022 is \$0.970
14 ¢/kWh, made up of capacity of 1.018 ¢/kWh, ISFSI costs of 0.018 ¢/kWh and the
15 Charlie Creek and Sandy Creek SoBRA credit of 0.066 ¢/kWh.

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17 The 2022 average retail CCR factor for May through December 2022 is \$1.036
18 ¢/kWh, made up of capacity of 1.018 ¢/kWh and ISFSI costs of 0.018 ¢/kWh.

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1 **Q. Please explain the change in the CCR factor for the projection period**
2 **compared to the CCR factor currently in effect.**

3 A. The total projected average retail CCR rate of 0.970 ¢/kWh for January through
4 April 2022 is 0.263 ¢/kWh, or 21%, lower than the 2021 factor of 1.233 ¢/kWh.
5 This decrease is primarily due to the end of the recovery of the Crystal River
6 South net book value existing as of December 31, 2020 and reduction for the
7 State of Florida Corporate Income Tax Change approved in Order No. PSC-
8 2021-0024-FOF-EI, inclusion of the credit associated with Charlie Creek and
9 Sandy Creek, and the difference in the in the prior period true-up balance.

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11 The total projected average retail CCR rate of 1.036 ¢/kWh for May through
12 December 2022 is 0.197 ¢/kWh, or 16%, lower than the 2021 factor of 1.233
13 ¢/kWh. This decrease is primarily due to the end of the recovery of the Crystal
14 River South net book value existing as of December 31, 2020 and reduction for
15 the State of Florida Corporate Income Tax Change approved in Order No. PSC-
16 2021-0024-FOF-EI, and the difference in the in the prior period true-up balance.

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18 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

19 A. Yes
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1 (Whereupon, prefiled direct testimony of Mary
2 Ingle Lewter was inserted.)

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DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA, LLC**DOCKET NO. 20210001-EI****GPIF Schedules for
January through December 2020****DIRECT TESTIMONY OF
MARY INGLE LEWTER****March 16, 2021**

1 **Q. Please state your name and business address.**

2 A. My name is M. Ingle Lewter. My business address is 526 South Church
3 Street, Charlotte, North Carolina 28202.

4

5 **Q. By whom are you employed and in what capacity?**

6 A. I am employed by Duke Energy Indiana, LLC (“DEI”) as Manager of Fuels
7 and Fleet Analytics for Fuels and Systems Optimization. DEI and Duke
8 Energy Florida, LLC (“DEF” or “Company”) are both wholly-owned
9 subsidiaries of Duke Energy Corporation (“Duke Energy”).

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11 **Q. Describe your responsibilities as Manager of Fuels and Fleet Analytics.**

12 A. As Manager of Fuels and Fleet Analytics for Fuels and Systems
13 Optimization, I oversee the analysis and modeling of energy portfolios for
14 Duke Energy Corporation’s regulated utility subsidiaries, including DEF, as

1 well as Duke Energy Carolinas ("DEC"), Duke Energy Progress, LLC
2 ("DEP"), DEI, and Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc ("DEK"). My responsibilities
3 include oversight of planning and coordination associated with economic
4 system operations, including production cost modeling, outage coordination,
5 dispatch pricing, fuel burn forecasting, position analysis, and commodities
6 analytics.

7
8 **Q. Please describe your educational background and professional**
9 **experience.**

10 A. I earned a Bachelor of Science in Statistics from North Carolina State
11 University in 1995. I have worked with Progress Energy (Carolina Power &
12 Light) and Duke Energy combined since graduating from North Carolina
13 State University in 1995. I started with Carolina Power & Light (CP&L) in the
14 customer service area and then moved into payroll services in 1997. In 1999,
15 I joined the Bulk Power Marketing Department as a Business Analyst and
16 was responsible for data analysis, including load forecast metrics, external
17 market tracking and unit commitment modeling. In 2000, I took the role of
18 Power Scheduler and was responsible for scheduling, confirming and
19 tagging all short-term physical power transactions. In 2005, I was promoted
20 to Portfolio Analyst in the Portfolio Management group. In this role, I was
21 responsible for the short-term seven-day unit commitment plan for Progress
22 Energy Florida, which included load forecast development, generation
23 scheduling, unit commitment and the fuel burn forecast. In 2008, I moved
24 from the short-term seven-day unit commitment responsibilities to the mid-
25 term forecasting role and was promoted to Senior Portfolio Analyst. In 2012,

1 I was promoted to Lead Fuels & Fleet Analyst when Progress Energy
2 merged with Duke Energy. In these roles, I was responsible for the 5-year
3 mid-term forecast for Duke Energy Carolinas and Duke Energy Midwest
4 utilities, which are utilized for fuel planning, regulatory fuel filings, and budget
5 development. In December 2019, I became the Manager of Fuels & Fleet
6 Analytics, which is responsible for the mid-term forecast for all Duke Energy
7 Jurisdictions (DEC, DEP, DEI, DEK, and DEF).

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9 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

10 A. The purpose of my testimony is to describe the calculation of DEF's
11 Generating Performance Incentive Factor ("GPIF") reward/(penalty) amount
12 for the period of January through December 2020. This calculation was
13 based on a comparison of the actual performance of DEF's Six (6) GPIF
14 generating units for this period against the approved targets set for these
15 units prior to the actual performance period.

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17 **Q. Do you have an exhibit to your testimony in this proceeding?**

18 A. Yes, I am sponsoring Exhibit No. _____ (MIL-1T), which consists of the
19 schedules required by the GPIF Implementation Manual to support the
20 development of the incentive amount. This 22-page exhibit is attached to
21 my prepared testimony and includes as its first page an index to the contents
22 of the exhibit.

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1 **Q. What GPIF incentive amount has been calculated for this period?**

2 A. DEF's calculated GPIF incentive amount is a reward of \$2,657,279. This
3 amount was developed in a manner consistent with the GPIF
4 Implementation Manual. Page 2 of my exhibit shows the system GPIF points
5 and the corresponding reward/(penalty). The summary of weighted
6 incentive points earned by each individual unit can be found on page 4 of
7 my exhibit.

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9 **Q. How were the incentive points for equivalent availability and heat rate
10 calculated for the individual GPIF units?**

11 A. The calculation of incentive points was made by comparing the adjusted
12 actual performance data for equivalent availability and heat rate to the target
13 performance indicators for each unit. This comparison is shown on each
14 unit's Generating Performance Incentive Points Table found on pages 9
15 through 14 of my exhibit.

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17 It should be noted that the "target" Generating Performance Incentive Points
18 Tables on pages 9 through 14 and the Osprey Estimated Unit Performance
19 Data on page 21 of DEF's 2020 GPIF Targets and Ranges (Exhibit
20 No. ___(JBD-1P) filed in Docket 20190001-EI) contained errors related to:
21 1) the Weighting Factors for Equivalent Availability Factor (EAF) and Heat
22 Rate for all units, 2) the average heat rate target and ranges and associated
23 fuel savings/losses for Osprey combined cycle ("CC"), and 3) the monthly
24 operating Btus, heat rate, and heat rate equation for Osprey CC. These

1 errors, which were the result of a report assembly error, did not affect the
2 GPIF targets approved in Commission Order PSC-2019-0484-FOF-EI.

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4 DEF used the correct EAF and heat rate weighting factors, EAF and heat
5 rate targets and maximum/minimum values, and associated maximum and
6 minimum fuel savings/losses from pages 4 through 7 of "target" Exhibit
7 No. ____ (JBD-1P) in the calculation of the GPIF true-up results. As such, a
8 comparison of the "target" and "true-up" Generating Performance Incentive
9 Points Tables and Unit Performance Data tables from their respective
10 exhibits will show deviations due to these errors, but the correct information
11 is documented in "true-up" Exhibit No. ____ (MIL-1T) sponsored as part of this
12 testimony.

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14 **Q. Why is it necessary to make adjustments to the actual performance**
15 **data for comparison with the targets?**

16 A. Adjustments to the actual equivalent availability and heat rate data are
17 necessary to allow their comparison with the "target" Point Tables exactly as
18 approved by the Commission. These adjustments are described in the
19 Implementation Manual and are further explained by a Staff memorandum,
20 dated October 23, 1981, directed to the GPIF utilities. The adjustments to
21 actual equivalent availability primarily concern the differences between
22 target and actual planned outage hours, and are shown on page 7 of my
23 exhibit. The heat rate adjustments concern the differences between the
24 target and actual Net Output Factor (NOF), and are shown on page 8. The

1 methodology for both the equivalent availability and heat rate adjustments
2 are explained in the Staff memorandum.

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4 In addition, the Bartow CC unit had data excluded during the period in which
5 its steam turbine was in a planned outage. The Bartow CC unit has the
6 capability to be operated in simple cycle mode while the steam turbine is in
7 an outage. When operating in simple cycle mode, the unit's heat rate will
8 deviate significantly from its normal range. DEF's heat rate target setting
9 process for the Bartow CC unit excludes historical data from periods when
10 the unit operated in simple cycle mode. From late November until late
11 December 2020 the steam turbine was in a planned outage; during this
12 period the Bartow CC unit was operated in simple cycle. To be consistent
13 with the target setting process, simple cycle mode heat rate data was
14 excluded from actuals for the purposes of calculating the heat rate for the
15 Bartow CC in year 2020 during those times when the unit was being
16 operated in simple cycle mode as the result of a planned outage.

17

18 **Q. Have you provided the as-worked planned outage schedules for DEF's**
19 **GPIF units to support your adjustments to actual equivalent**
20 **availability?**

21 A. Yes. Page 21 of my exhibit summarizes the planned outages experienced
22 by DEF's GPIF units during the period. Page 22 presents an as-worked
23 schedule for each individual planned outage.

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1 Q. Does this conclude your testimony?

2 A. Yes.

**IN RE: PETITION ON BEHALF OF DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA
FOR
FUEL AND CAPACITY COST RECOVERY
FINAL TRUE-UP FOR THE PERIOD
JANUARY THROUGH DECEMBER 2020**

FPSC DOCKET NO. 20210001-EI

**GPIF TARGETS AND RANGES FOR
JANUARY THROUGH DECEMBER 2022**

**DIRECT TESTIMONY OF
MARY INGLE LEWTER**

September 3, 2021

1 **Q. Please state your name and business address.**

2 A. My name is M. Ingle Lewter. My business address is 526 South Church Street, Charlotte,
3 North Carolina 28202.
4

5 **Q. By whom are you employed and in what capacity?**

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7 Analytics for Fuels and Systems Optimization. DEI and Duke Energy Florida, LLC
8 ("DEF" or "Company") are both wholly-owned subsidiaries of Duke Energy Corporation
9 ("Duke Energy").
10

11 **Q. What are your responsibilities in that position?**

12 A. As Manager of Fuels and Fleet Analytics for Fuels and Systems Optimization, I oversee
13 the analysis and modeling of energy portfolios for Duke Energy Corporation's regulated
14 utility subsidiaries, including DEF, as well as Duke Energy Carolinas ("DEC"), Duke
15 Energy Progress, LLC ("DEP"), DEI, and Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc ("DEK"). My

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5 **Q. Please describe your educational background and professional experience.**

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13 was responsible for scheduling, confirming and tagging all short-term physical power
14 transactions. In 2005, I was promoted to Portfolio Analyst in the Portfolio Management
15 group. In this role, I was responsible for the short-term seven-day unit commitment plan
16 for Progress Energy Florida, which included load forecast development, generation
17 scheduling, unit commitment and the fuel burn forecast. In 2008, I moved from the short-
18 term seven-day unit commitment responsibilities to the mid-term forecasting role and was
19 promoted to Senior Portfolio Analyst. In 2012, I was promoted to Lead Fuels & Fleet
20 Analyst when Progress Energy merged with Duke Energy. In these roles, I was responsible
21 for the 5-year mid-term forecast for Duke Energy Carolinas and Duke Energy Midwest
22 utilities, which are utilized for fuel planning, regulatory fuel filings, and budget
23 development. In December 2019, I became the Manager of Fuels & Fleet Analytics, which

1 is responsible for the mid-term forecast for all Duke Energy Jurisdictions (DEC, DEP, DEI,
2 DEK, and DEF).

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4 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

5 A. The purpose of my testimony is to provide a recap of actual reward / penalty for the period
6 of January through December 2020, and outline the development of the Company's
7 Generating Performance Incentive Factor ("GPIF") targets and ranges for the period
8 January through December 2022. These GPIF targets and ranges have been developed
9 from individual unit equivalent availability, average net operating heat rate targets, and
10 improvement/degradation ranges for each of the Company's GPIF generating units, in
11 accordance with the Commission's GPIF Implementation Manual.

12
13 **Q. What GPIF incentive amount was calculated and reported in your March 16, 2021
14 testimony for the period January through December 2020?**

15 A. DEF's calculated GPIF incentive amount for this period was a reward of \$2,657,279.
16 Please refer to my testimony filed March 16, 2021 for the details of how this incentive
17 amount was calculated.

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19 **Q. Have there been any adjustments to the incentive amount filed in March?**

20 A. No.

1 **Q. Do you have an exhibit to your testimony?**

2 A. Yes. I am sponsoring Exhibit No. _____ (MIL-1P), which consists of the GPIF standard
3 form schedules prescribed in the GPIF Implementation Manual and supporting data,
4 including outage rates, net operating heat rates, and computer analyses and graphs for each
5 of the individual GPIF units. This exhibit is attached to my prepared testimony and
6 includes as its first page an index to the contents of the exhibit.

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8 **Q. Which of the Company's generating units have you included in the GPIF program
9 for the upcoming projection period?**

10 A. For the 2022 projection period, the GPIF program includes the following units: Bartow
11 Unit 4, Crystal River Unit 4, Crystal River Unit 5, and Hines Units 1 through 4. Combined,
12 these units account for 83% of the estimated total system net generation for the period,
13 excluding Citrus CC units. Citrus CC Units 1 and 2 were not included for the upcoming
14 projection period since they do not meet the inclusion of performance history to use in
15 setting targets and ranges for these units.

16
17 **Q. Have you determined the equivalent availability targets and
18 improvement/degradation ranges for the Company's GPIF units?**

19 A. Yes. This information is included in the GPIF Target and Range Summary on page 4 of
20 my Exhibit No. ____ (MIL-1P).

1 **Q. How were the equivalent availability targets developed?**

2 A. The equivalent availability targets were developed using the methodology established for
3 the Company's GPIF units, as set forth in Section 4 of the GPIF Implementation Manual.
4 This includes the formulation of graphs based on each unit's historic performance data for
5 the four individual unplanned outage rates (i.e., forced, partial forced, maintenance, and
6 partial maintenance outage rates), which in combination constitute the unit's equivalent
7 unplanned outage rate ("EUOR"). From operational data and these graphs, the individual
8 target rates are determined through a review of three years of monthly data points. The
9 unit's four target rates are then used to calculate its unplanned outage hours for the
10 projection period. When the unit's projected planned outage hours are taken into account,
11 the hours calculated from these individual unplanned outage rates can then be converted
12 into an overall equivalent unplanned outage factor ("EUOF"). Because factors are additive
13 (unlike rates), the EUOF and planned outage factor ("POF") when added to the equivalent
14 availability factor ("EAF") will always equal 100%. For example, an EUOF of 15% and
15 POF of 10% results in an EAF of 75%. The supporting tables and graphs for the target and
16 range rates are contained in pages 41-76 of my exhibit in the section entitled "Unplanned
17 Outage Rate Tables and Graphs."

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19 **Q. Please describe the methodology utilized to develop the improvement/degradation**
20 **ranges for each GPIF unit's availability targets?**

21 A. The methodology described in the GPIF Implementation Manual was used. Ranges were
22 first established for each of the four unplanned outage rates associated with each unit. From
23 an analysis of the unplanned outage graphs, units with small historical variations in outage

1 rates were assigned narrow ranges and units with large variations were assigned wider
2 ranges. These individual ranges, expressed in term of rates, were then converted into a
3 single unit availability range, expressed in terms of a factor, using the same procedure
4 described above for converting the availability targets from rates to factors.

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6 **Q. Were adjustments made to historical unit availability to account for significant**
7 **anomalies in historical performance?**

8 A. No.

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10 **Q. Have you determined the net operating heat rate targets and ranges for the**
11 **Company's GPIF units?**

12 A. Yes. This information is included in the Target and Range Summary on page 4 of my
13 Exhibit No. ____ (MIL-1P).

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15 **Q. How were these heat rate targets and ranges developed?**

16 A. The development of the heat rate targets and ranges for the upcoming period utilized
17 historical data from the past three years, as described in the GPIF Implementation Manual.
18 A "least squares" procedure was used to curve-fit the heat rate data to a linear relationship
19 with Net Operating Factor (NOF), and ranges at a 90% confidence level were also
20 established assuming a normal distribution. The analyses and data plots used to develop
21 the heat rate targets and ranges for each of the GPIF units are contained in pages 26-40 of
22 my exhibit in the section entitled "Average Net Operating Heat Rate Curves."
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1 **Q. How were the GPIF incentive points developed for the unit availability and heat rate**
2 **ranges?**

3 A. GPIF incentive points for availability and heat rate were developed by evenly spreading
4 the positive and negative point values from the target to the maximum and minimum values
5 in the case of availability, and from the neutral band to the maximum and minimum values
6 in the case of heat rate. The fuel savings (loss) dollars were evenly spread over the range
7 in the same manner as described for incentive points. The maximum savings (loss) dollars
8 are the same as those used in the calculation of the weighting factors.

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10 **Q. How were the GPIF weighting factors determined?**

11 A. To determine the weighting factors for availability, a series of simulations was made using
12 a production costing model in which each unit's maximum equivalent availability was
13 substituted for the target value to obtain a new system fuel cost. The differences in fuel
14 costs between these cases and the target case determine the contribution of each unit's
15 availability to fuel savings. The heat rate contribution of each unit to fuel savings was
16 determined by multiplying the BTU savings between the minimum and target heat rates (at
17 constant generation) by the average cost per BTU for that unit. Weighting factors were
18 then calculated by dividing each individual unit's fuel savings by total system fuel savings.

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20 **Q. What was the basis for determining the estimated maximum incentive amount?**

21 A. The determination of the maximum reward or penalty was based upon monthly common
22 equity projections obtained from a detailed financial simulation performed by the
23 Company's Corporate Model.

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2 **Q. What is the Company's estimated maximum incentive amount for 2021?**

3 A. The estimated maximum incentive for the Company is \$17,648,481. The calculation of
4 the estimated maximum incentive is shown on page 3 of my Exhibit No. ____ (MIL-1P).

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6 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

7 A. Yes.

1 (Whereupon, prefiled direct testimony of Renae
2 B. Deaton was inserted.)

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1 **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

2 **FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY**

3 **TESTIMONY OF RENAE B. DEATON**

4 **DOCKET NO. 20210001-EI**

5 **APRIL 2, 2021**

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7 **Q. Please state your name, business address, employer and position.**

8 A. My name is Renae B. Deaton. My business address is 700 Universe Boulevard,
9 Juno Beach, Florida 33408. I am employed by Florida Power & Light Company
10 (“FPL” or “the Company”) as the Senior Director, Clause Recovery and Wholesale
11 Rates, in the Regulatory & State Governmental Affairs Department.

12 **Q. Please state your education and business experience.**

13 A. I hold a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and a Master of Business
14 Administration from Charleston Southern University. I have over 30 years’
15 experience in retail and wholesale regulatory affairs, rate design and cost of service.
16 Since joining FPL in 1998, I have held various positions in the rates and regulatory
17 areas. Prior to my current position, I held the positions of Senior Manager of Cost
18 of Service and Load Research and Senior Manager of Rate Design in the Rates and
19 Tariffs Department. In 2016, I assumed my current position, where my duties
20 include providing direction as to the appropriateness of inclusion of costs through
21 a cost recovery clause and the overall preparation and filing of all cost recovery
22 clause documents including testimony and discovery. Prior to joining FPL, I was
23 employed at the South Carolina Public Service Authority (d/b/a Santee Cooper) for

1 fourteen years, where I held a variety of positions in the Corporate Forecasting,
2 Rates, and Marketing Department and in generation plant operations. As part of
3 the various roles I have held with FPL, I have testified before this Commission on
4 rate design and cost of service in base rate and clause recovery dockets. I have also
5 testified before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission supporting rates for
6 wholesale power sales agreements and Open Access Transmission Tariffs.

7 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony in this proceeding?**

8 A. The purpose of my testimony is to present the schedules necessary to support the
9 actual Fuel Cost Recovery (“FCR”) Clause and Capacity Cost Recovery (“CCR”)
10 Clause net true-up amounts for the period January 2020 through December 2020.

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12 The 2020 net true-up for the FCR Clause is an under-recovery, including interest,
13 of \$72,891,803. On April 1, 2021, the Commission approved the inclusion of the
14 2020 FCR Clause net true-up under-recovery of \$72,891,803 in FPL’s 2021
15 midcourse correction FCR factors effective May 1, 2021.

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17 The 2020 net true-up for the CCR Clause is an over-recovery, including interest, of
18 \$3,863,612. FPL is requesting Commission approval to include this 2020 CCR
19 Clause true-up over-recovery in the calculation of the CCR factors for the period
20 January 2022 through December 2022.

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22 Finally, FPL is requesting Commission approval to include \$3,681,030 in the
23 calculation of the FCR factors for the period January 2022 through December 2022,

1 which represents FPL's share of the 2020 Asset Optimization Incentive Mechanism
2 gains described in the testimony of FPL witness Yupp and presented on page 1 of
3 Exhibit GJY-1.

4 **Q. Have you prepared or caused to be prepared under your direction, supervision**
5 **or control any exhibits in this proceeding?**

6 A. Yes, I have. Exhibit RBD-1 contains the FCR-related schedules and Exhibit RBD-
7 2 contains the CCR-related schedules. In addition, FCR Schedules A1 through A12
8 for the January 2020 through December 2020 period have been filed monthly with
9 the Commission and served on all parties of record in this docket. Those schedules
10 are incorporated herein by reference.

11 **Q. What is the source of the data you present?**

12 A. Unless otherwise indicated, the data are taken from the books and records of FPL.
13 The books and records are kept in the regular course of the Company's business in
14 accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and practices, and with
15 the applicable provisions of the Uniform System of Accounts as prescribed by the
16 Commission.

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18 **FUEL COST RECOVERY CLAUSE**

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20 **Q. Please explain the calculation of the 2020 FCR net true-up amount.**

21 A. Exhibit RBD-1, page 1, titled "Calculation of Net True-Up," shows the calculation
22 of the FCR net true-up for the period January 2020 through December 2020, an
23 under-recovery of \$72,891,803.

1 The summary of the FCR net true-up amount shows the actual end-of-period true-
2 up under-recovery for the period January 2020 through December 2020 of
3 \$41,940,023 on line 1. The actual/estimated true-up over-recovery for the same
4 period of \$30,951,780 is shown on line 2. Line 1 less line 2 results in the final net
5 true-up under-recovery for the period January 2020 through December 2020 of
6 \$72,891,803 shown on line 3. On April 1, 2021, the Commission approved the
7 inclusion of the 2020 FCR Clause net true-up under-recovery of \$72,891,803 in
8 FPL's 2021 midcourse correction FCR factors effective May 1, 2021.

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10 The calculation of the FCR true-up amount for the period follows the procedures
11 established by this Commission as set forth on Commission Schedule A2
12 "Calculation of True-Up and Interest Provision."

13 **Q. Have you provided a schedule showing the calculation of the 2020 FCR actual**
14 **true-up by month?**

15 A. Yes. Exhibit RBD-1, page 2, titled "Calculation of Final True-Up Amount," shows
16 the calculation of the FCR actual true-up by month for January 2020 through
17 December 2020.

18 **Q. Have you provided a schedule showing the variances between actual and**
19 **actual/estimated FCR costs and applicable revenues for 2020?**

20 A. Yes. Exhibit RBD-1, page 3, (sum of lines 40 and 41) compares the actual end-of-
21 period true-up under-recovery of \$41,940,023 (column 4) to the actual/estimated
22 end-of-period true-up over-recovery of \$30,951,780 (column 5) resulting in a net
23 under-recovery of \$72,891,803 (column 6). Exhibit RBD-1, page 3 shows that the

1 variance consists of an increase in jurisdictional fuel costs of \$132.8 million (line
2 39) partially offset by an increase in revenues of \$58.8 million (line 29).

3 **Q. Please summarize the variance schedule on page 3 of Exhibit RBD-1.**

4 A. FPL previously projected jurisdictional total fuel costs and net power transactions
5 to be \$2.231 billion for 2020 (Exhibit RBD-1, page 3, line 39, column 5). The
6 actual jurisdictional total fuel costs and net power transactions for that period are
7 \$2.364 billion (Exhibit RBD-1, page 3, line 39, column 4). Jurisdictional total fuel
8 costs and net power transactions are \$132.8 million, or 6.0% higher than previously
9 projected (Exhibit RBD-1, page 3, line 39, column 6) and jurisdictional fuel
10 revenues net of revenue taxes for 2020 are \$58.8 million, or 2.6% higher than
11 previously projected (Exhibit RBD-1, page 3, line 29, column 6).

12 **Q. Please explain the variances in jurisdictional total fuel costs and net power**
13 **transactions.**

14 A. Below are the primary reasons for the \$132.8 million variance.

15
16 Fuel Cost of System Net Generation: \$140.1 million increase (Exhibit RBD-1, page
17 3, line 1, column 6)

18 The table below provides the detail of this variance.

Fuel Variance	2020 Final True-Up	2020 Actual Estimated True-Up	Difference
Heavy Oil			
Total Dollar	\$6,864,055	\$13,866,418	(7,002,363)
Units (Mmbtu)	595,280	1,271,430	(676,150)
\$ per Unit	11.5308	10.9062	0.6246
Variance Due to Consumption			(7,796,551)
Variance Due to Cost			794,189
Total Variance			(7,002,363)

Fuel Variance	2020 Final True-Up	2020 Actual Estimated True-Up	Difference
Light Oil			
Total Dollar	\$8,723,336	\$14,804,568	(6,081,232)
Units (Mmbtu)	522,494	1,053,796	(531,301)
\$ per Unit	16.6956	14.0488	2.6468
Variance Due to Consumption			(8,870,368)
Variance Due to Cost			2,789,136
Total Variance			(6,081,232)
Coal			
Total Dollar	\$52,698,208	\$50,709,323	1,988,886
Units (Mmbtu)	19,291,009	19,137,147	153,862
\$ per Unit	2.7317	2.6498	0.0820
Variance Due to Consumption			420,312
Variance Due to Cost			1,568,573
Total Variance			1,988,886
Gas			
Total Dollar	\$2,320,121,351	\$2,169,620,295	150,501,056
Units (Mmbtu)	672,790,461	640,798,422	31,992,039
\$ per Unit	3.4485	3.3858	0.0627
Variance Due to Consumption			110,324,710
Variance Due to Cost			40,176,346
Total Variance			150,501,056
Nuclear			
Total Dollar	\$148,402,742	\$147,687,701	715,041
Units (Mmbtu)	306,991,995	307,086,334	(94,339)
\$ per Unit	0.4834	0.4809	0.0025
Variance Due to Consumption			(45,605)
Variance Due to Cost			760,646
Total Variance			715,041
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Total Variance Due to Consumption			94,032,499
Total Variance Due to Cost			46,088,889
Total Variance			140,121,388

Note: The total fuel cost of system net generation for the 2020 final true-up does not tie to the amount provided on the 2020 final true-up E1b schedule due to various adjustments that impacted A1/A2 and A3/A4 schedules in 2020. These adjustments were included on the impacted A-Schedules in the months in which they occurred.

1 Fuel Cost of Stratified Sales: \$5.3 million decrease (Exhibit RBD-1, page 3, line 2,
2 column 6)

3 The variance for the fuel cost of stratified sales is primarily attributable to lower
4 than projected revenues from stratified contracts.

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6 Fuel Cost of Power Sold: \$4.1 million decrease (Exhibit RBD-1, page 3, line 4,
7 column 6)

8 The variance of \$4,124,219 for the Fuel Cost of Power Sold was primarily
9 attributable to lower than projected fuel costs for economy power sales. The
10 average unit fuel cost on economy power sales was \$1.33/MWh lower than
11 projected, resulting in a cost variance of \$3,747,982. In addition, FPL sold 22,011
12 MWh less of economy power, resulting in a volume variance of \$366,304. The
13 combination lower fuel costs attributable to economy power sales and lower than
14 projected economy power sales resulted in a net variance for economy power sales
15 of \$4,114,286. The remaining variance of \$9,933 was primarily attributable to
16 lower than projected fuel costs on St. Lucie Plant Reliability Exchange sales that
17 were partially offset by higher than projected St. Lucie Plant Reliability Exchange
18 sales.

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20 Variable Power Plant O&M Avoided due to Economy Purchases: \$0.072 million
21 decrease (Exhibit RBD-1, page 3, line 13, column 6)

22 The variance for variable power plant O&M avoided due to economy purchases
23 was attributable to lower than projected economy power purchases.

1 Fuel Cost of Purchased Power: \$1.0 million increase (Exhibit RBD-1, page 3, line
2 6, column 6)

3 The variance for the Fuel Cost of Purchased Power was primarily attributable to
4 higher than projected firm purchases and higher than projected costs associated
5 with these firm purchases. In total, FPL purchased 29,850 MWh more than
6 projected, resulting in a volume variance of \$546,223. The unit cost of these firm
7 purchases was \$0.31/MWh higher than projected, resulting in a cost variance of
8 \$468,464. The combination of higher firm purchases and higher costs for firm
9 purchases resulted in a net variance of \$1,014,687.

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11 Energy Cost of Economy Purchases: \$0.8 million decrease (Exhibit RBD-1, page
12 3, line 8, column 6)

13 The variance for the Energy Cost of Economy Purchases was attributable to lower
14 than projected economy purchases and higher than projected costs for economy
15 power. FPL purchased 111,510 MWh less of economy power, resulting in a
16 volume variance of (\$3,175,708). The average cost of economy power purchases
17 was \$9.18/MWh higher than projected, resulting in a cost variance of \$2,370,851.
18 The combination of lower economy power purchases coupled with higher costs for
19 economy power purchases resulted in a net variance of (\$804,857).

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21 Gains from Off-System Sales: \$0.7 million increase (Exhibit RBD-1, page 3, line
22 5, column 6)

23 The variance for Gains from Off-System Sales was primarily attributable to higher

1 than projected margins on economy power sales. Margins on economy power sales
2 averaged \$0.30/MWh higher than projected, resulting in a revenue variance of
3 \$850,337. FPL sold 22,011 MWh less of economy power, resulting in a volume
4 variance of (\$193,429). The combination of higher margins on economy power
5 sales and lower economy power sales resulted in a total variance for Gains from
6 Off-System Sales of \$656,908.

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8 Energy Payments to Qualifying Facilities: \$0.6 million decrease (Exhibit RBD-1,
9 page 3, line 7, column 6)

10 The variance for Energy Payments to Qualifying Facilities was attributable to lower
11 than projected purchases and lower than projected costs from Qualifying Facilities.
12 In total, FPL purchased 6,482 MWh less than projected, resulting in a volume
13 variance of (\$87,404). The average unit fuel cost for these purchases was
14 \$1.50/MWh lower than projected, resulting in a cost variance of (\$512,155). The
15 combination of lower purchases and lower fuel costs for Qualifying Facilities
16 resulted in a net variance of (\$599,559).

17 **Q. What is the variance in retail (jurisdictional) FCR revenues?**

18 A. As shown on Exhibit RBD-1, page 3, line 29, actual 2020 jurisdictional FCR
19 revenues, net of revenue taxes, are approximately \$58.8 million higher than the
20 actual/estimated projection. This is primarily due to jurisdictional sales that are
21 1,995,799,848 kWh higher than the actual/estimated projection.

22 **Q. FPL witness Yupp calculates in his testimony that FPL is entitled to retain**
23 **\$3,681,030 as its 60% share of 2020 Asset Optimization Incentive Mechanism**

1 **gains over the \$40 million threshold. When is FPL requesting to recover its**
2 **share of the gains, and how will this be reflected in the FCR schedules?**

- 3 A. FPL is requesting recovery of its share of the 2020 Asset Optimization Incentive
4 Mechanism gains through the 2022 FCR factors, consistent with how gains have
5 been recovered in prior years. FPL will include the approved jurisdictionalized
6 Incentive Mechanism gains amount in the calculation of the 2022 FCR factors and
7 will reflect recovery of one-twelfth of the approved amount, net of revenue taxes,
8 in each month's Schedule A2 for the period January 2022 through December 2022
9 as a reduction to jurisdictional fuel revenues applicable to each period.

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11 **CAPACITY COST RECOVERY CLAUSE**

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13 **Q. Please explain the calculation of the 2020 CCR net true-up amount.**

- 14 A. Exhibit RBD-2, page 1, titled "Final True-Up Summary" shows the calculation of
15 the CCR net true-up for the period January 2020 through December 2020, an over-
16 recovery of \$3,863,612, which FPL is requesting to be included in the calculation
17 of the CCR factors for the January 2022 through December 2022 period.

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19 The actual end-of-period over-recovery for the period January 2020 through
20 December 2020 of \$11,252,066 shown on line 1 less the actual/estimated end-of-
21 period over-recovery for the same period of \$7,388,454 shown on line 2 that was
22 approved by the Commission in Order No. PSC-2020-0439-FOF-EI, results in the
23 net true-up over-recovery for the period January 2020 through December 2020 of

1 \$3,863,612 shown on line 3.

2 **Q. Have you provided a schedule showing the calculation of the 2020 CCR actual**
3 **true-up by month?**

4 A. Yes. Exhibit RBD-2, pages 2 through 4, titled “Calculation of Final True-Up”
5 shows the calculation of the CCR end-of-period true-up for the period January 2020
6 through December 2020 by month.

7 **Q. Is this true-up calculation consistent with the true-up methodology used for**
8 **the FCR Clause?**

9 A. Yes. The calculation of the true-up amount follows the procedures established by
10 this Commission set forth on Commission Schedule A2 “Calculation of True-Up
11 and Interest Provision” for the FCR Clause.

12 **Q. Have you provided a schedule showing the variances between actual and**
13 **actual/estimated capacity costs and applicable revenues for 2020?**

14 A. Yes. Exhibit RBD-2, pages 5 and 6, titled “Calculation of Variances,” shows the
15 actual capacity costs and applicable revenues compared to actual/estimated
16 capacity costs and applicable revenues for the period January 2020 through
17 December 2020.

18 **Q. Please explain the variances related to capacity costs.**

19 A. As shown in Exhibit RBD-2, page 5, line 13, column 5, the variance related to total
20 system capacity costs is a decrease of \$2.3 million or 0.9%. Below are the primary
21 reasons for the decrease.

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23 Incremental Plant Security Costs – O&M: \$2.5 million decrease (Exhibit RBD-2,

1 page 5, line 9, column 5)

2 The variance for incremental plant security is primarily attributable to the
3 implementation of cost savings initiatives at the St. Lucie and Turkey Point plants
4 resulting in lower security force costs and less cyber security maintenance than
5 originally planned.

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7 Incremental Nuclear NRC Compliance Costs (Fukushima): O&M - \$0.7 million
8 decrease (Exhibit RBD-2, page 5, line 5, column 5)

9 Incremental Nuclear NRC Compliance Costs were lower by \$712,506 due to the
10 following: (1) Turkey Point flooding modifications to seal manholes at the site
11 began later in the year than originally projected. The work is expected to be
12 completed by the second quarter of 2021 and (2) the annual Regional Response
13 Center fees were lower than originally budgeted.

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15 Transmission of Electricity by Others: \$0.5 million decrease (Exhibit RBD-2, page
16 5, line 7, column 5)

17 The variance is due primarily to the reimbursement of counterparty transmission
18 expense associated with a wholesale power sale in December of approximately
19 (\$409,000). In addition, lower costs than originally projected for the purchase of
20 third-party transmission utilized to facilitate wholesale power sales during the
21 period resulted in an approximately (\$116,000) variance. The combination of lower
22 overall third-party transmission costs and the reimbursement of costs for a
23 December transaction resulted in a net variance of (525,267).

1 Transmission Revenues from Capacity Sales: \$1.4 million decrease (Exhibit RBD-
2 2, page 5, line 8, column 5)

3 Approximately (\$235,000) of the total variance is attributable to higher revenues
4 from capacity premiums associated with power capacity sales. Lower than
5 originally projected transmission revenues from economy sales resulted in a
6 variance of approximately \$1,672,000. Higher revenues from capacity premiums,
7 offset by lower transmission revenues from economy sales resulted in a total
8 variance of \$1,436,362.

9 **Q. Please describe the variance in 2020 CCR revenues.**

10 A. As shown on page 6, line 33, column 5, actual 2020 CCR revenues (net of revenue
11 taxes), are \$1.7 million higher than projected in the actual/estimated true-up filing.
12 This is primarily due to 1,995,799,848 kWh higher than projected jurisdictional
13 sales.

14 **Q. Have you provided a schedule showing the actual monthly capacity payments**
15 **by contract?**

16 A. Yes. Schedule A12 consists of two pages that are included in Exhibit RBD-2 as
17 pages 17 and 18. Page 17 shows the actual capacity payments for FPL's Purchase
18 Power Agreements for the period January 2020 through December 2020. Page 18
19 provides the short term capacity payments for the period January 2020 through
20 December 2020.

21 **Q. Have you provided a schedule showing the capital structure components and**
22 **cost rates relied upon by FPL to calculate the rate of return applied to all**
23 **capital projects recovered through the FCR and CCR Clauses?**

1 A. Yes. The capital structure components and cost rates used to calculate the rate of
2 return on the capital investments for the period January 2020 through December
3 2020 are included on pages 19 and 20 of Exhibit RBD-2.

4 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

5 A. Yes.

1 **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

2 **FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY**

3 **TESTIMONY OF RENAE B. DEATON**

4 **DOCKET NO. 20210001-EI**

5 **JULY 27, 2021**

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7 **Q. Please state your name, business address, employer and position.**

8 A. My name is Renae B. Deaton. My business address is 700 Universe Boulevard,
9 Juno Beach, Florida 33408. I am employed by Florida Power & Light Company
10 ("FPL" or "the Company") as Senior Director, Clause Recovery and Wholesale
11 Rates, in the Regulatory & State Governmental Affairs Department.

12 **Q. Have you previously testified in this docket?**

13 A. Yes.

14 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

15 A. The purpose of my testimony is to present for Commission review and approval the
16 calculation of the actual/estimated true-up amounts for the Fuel Cost Recovery
17 ("FCR") Clause and the Capacity Cost Recovery ("CCR") Clause for the period
18 January 2021 through December 2021.

19 **Q. Have you prepared or caused to be prepared under your direction, supervision**
20 **or control any exhibits with your testimony?**

21 A. Yes, various schedules are included in Exhibits RBD-3 and RBD-4. Exhibit RBD-
22 3 contains the FCR Schedules. These include Schedules E3 through E9 that provide
23 revised estimates for the period July 2021 through December 2021. FCR Schedules

1 A1 through A9 provide actual data for the period January 2021 through June 2021.
2 The actual data was derived from the FCR A-Schedules A1 through A9 that are
3 filed monthly with the Commission and served on all parties, which are
4 incorporated herein by reference. The FCR schedules contained in Exhibit RBD-3
5 also provide the calculation of the actual/estimated true-up amount and
6 actual/estimated variances for the period January 2021 through December 2021.

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8 Exhibit RBD-4 contains the CCR schedules, which provide the calculation of the
9 actual/estimated true-up amount and actual/estimated variances for the period
10 January 2021 through December 2021.

11 **Q. What is the source of the actual data that you present by way of testimony or**
12 **exhibits in this proceeding?**

13 A. Unless otherwise indicated, the actual data are taken from the books and records of
14 FPL. The books and records are kept in the regular course of the Company's
15 business in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and practices,
16 as well as the provisions of the Uniform System of Accounts as prescribed by this
17 Commission.

18 **Q. Please describe the data that FPL has used as a comparison when calculating**
19 **the FCR and CCR actual/estimated true-up amounts presented in your**
20 **testimony.**

21 A. The FCR actual/estimated true-up calculation compares actual data for January
22 2021 through June 2021 and revised estimates for July 2021 through December
23 2021 to the data reflected in FPL's 2021 FCR midcourse correction approved by

1 Order No. PSC-2021-0142-PCO-EI, issued on April 21, 2021.

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3 The CCR actual/estimated true-up calculation compares actuals for January 2021
4 through June 2021 and revised estimates for July 2021 through December 2021 to
5 the data reflected in FPL's original projection for the period January 2021 through
6 December 2021 filed on September 3, 2020.

7 **Q. Please explain the calculation of the interest provision that is applicable to the**
8 **FCR and CCR true-up amounts.**

9 A. The calculation of the interest provision follows the methodology used in
10 calculating the interest provision for all cost recovery clauses, as previously
11 approved by this Commission. The interest provision is the result of multiplying
12 the monthly average true-up amount for the twelve-month period by the monthly
13 average interest rate. The average interest rate for the months reflecting actual data
14 is developed using the AA financial 30-day rates as published on the Federal
15 Reserve website on the first business day of the current month and the subsequent
16 month divided by two. The average interest rate for the projected months is the
17 actual rate published on the first business day in July 2021, which reflects the
18 interest rate from the last business day in June 2021.

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FUEL COST RECOVERY CLAUSE

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3 **Q. Have you provided a schedule showing the calculation of the FCR 2021**
4 **actual/estimated true-up by month?**

5 A. Yes. Exhibit RBD-3, page 1 shows the calculation of the FCR actual/estimated
6 true-up by month for the period January 2021 through December 2021.

7 **Q. Please explain the calculation of the FCR end-of-period net true-up and**
8 **actual/estimated true-up amounts you are requesting this Commission to**
9 **approve.**

10 A. Exhibit RBD-3, page 1 shows the calculation of the FCR end-of-period net true-up
11 and actual/estimated true-up amounts. The 2021 end-of-period net true-up amount
12 to be carried forward to the 2022 FCR factors is an under-recovery of \$105,692,340
13 (page 1, line 44, column 15), which is based on the actual/estimated true-up under-
14 recovery, including interest, of \$105,692,340 (Exhibit RBD-3, page 1, lines 38 plus
15 39, column 15) for the period January 2021 through December 2021. The 2020
16 final net true-up under-recovery of \$72,891,803 filed on April 2, 2021, has been
17 included in FPL's 2021 FCR midcourse correction approved in Order No. PSC-
18 2021-0142-PCO-EI.

19 **Q. Were these calculations made in accordance with the procedures previously**
20 **approved in predecessors to this Docket?**

21 A. Yes.

22 **Q. Have you provided a schedule showing the variances between the**
23 **actual/estimated amounts and the midcourse correction amounts for 2021?**

1 A. Yes. Exhibit RBD-3, page 2 provides a variance calculation that compares the 2021
2 actual/estimated period data by component to the same components from the
3 midcourse correction filing.

4 **Q. Please summarize the variance schedule on page 2 of Exhibit RBD-3.**

5 A. FPL's midcourse correction filing projected jurisdictional total fuel costs and net
6 power transactions to be \$2.790 billion for 2021 (Exhibit RBD-3, page 2, line 44,
7 column 4). The actual/estimated jurisdictional total fuel costs and net power
8 transactions are now projected to be \$2.929 billion for that period (Exhibit RBD-3,
9 page 2, line 44, column 3). The estimated variance is due to higher than projected
10 costs combined with higher than projected sales and revenues. Jurisdictional total
11 fuel costs and net power transactions are estimated to be \$139.5 million, or 5.0%
12 higher than the midcourse correction estimates (Exhibit RBD-3, page 2, line 44,
13 column 5), and jurisdictional fuel revenues applicable to the period, net of revenue
14 taxes are projected to be \$33.9 million, or 1.2% higher than the midcourse
15 correction estimates (Exhibit RBD-3, page 2, line 40, column 5). The net impact
16 due to the increase in jurisdictional fuel costs and the increase in jurisdictional fuel
17 revenues applicable to the period result in the actual/estimated true-up under-
18 recovery of \$105.6 million (Exhibit RBD-3, page 2, line 45, column 5).

19 **Q. Please explain the variances in jurisdictional total fuel costs and net power**
20 **transactions.**

21 A. Below are the primary reasons for the \$139.5 million variance in jurisdictional total
22 fuel costs.

23

1 Fuel Cost of System Net Generation - \$132.7 million increase (Exhibit RBD-3,
 2 page 2, line 2, column 5)

3 The table below provides the detail of this variance.

Fuel Variance	2021 Actual/Estimated	2021 Midcourse Correction	Difference
Heavy Oil			
Total Dollar	\$12,525,920	\$4,720,381	\$7,805,539
Units (MMBTU)	1,071,548	413,896	657,652
\$ per Unit	11.6896	11.4048	0.2848
Variance Due to Consumption			7,687,658
Variance Due to Cost			117,881
Total Variance			7,805,539
Light Oil			
Total Dollar	\$10,612,881	\$2,009,737	\$8,603,144
Units (MMBTU)	693,115	133,048	560,067
\$ per Unit	15.3119	15.1053	0.2065
Variance Due to Consumption			8,575,664
Variance Due to Cost			27,480
Total Variance			8,603,144
Coal			
Total Dollar	\$73,566,315	\$70,983,848	\$2,582,466
Units (MMBTU)	27,359,653	27,597,038	(237,385)
\$ per Unit	2.6889	2.5722	0.1167
Variance Due to Consumption			(638,295)
Variance Due to Cost			3,220,762
Total Variance			2,582,466
Gas			
Total Dollar	\$2,864,561,626	\$2,753,019,048	\$111,542,578
Units (MMBTU)	611,124,075	590,197,256	20,926,819
\$ per Unit	4.6874	4.6646	0.0228
Variance Due to Consumption			98,091,640
Variance Due to Cost			13,450,938
Total Variance			111,542,578
Nuclear			
Total Dollar	\$149,526,153	\$147,364,272	\$2,161,881
Units (MMBTU)	302,285,375	297,449,116	4,836,258
\$ per Unit	0.4947	0.4954	(0.0008)
Variance Due to Consumption			2,392,266
Variance Due to Cost			(230,385)
Total Variance			2,161,881
Total			

Fuel Variance	2021 Actual/Estimated	2021 Midcourse Correction	Difference
Total Dollar	\$3,110,792,894	\$2,978,097,286	\$132,695,608
Units (MMBTU)	942,533,766	915,790,355	26,743,411
\$ per Unit	3.3005	3.2519	0.0485
Variance Due to Consumption			88,265,498
Variance Due to Cost			44,430,110
Total Variance			132,695,608

1

2 Energy Cost of Economy Purchases - \$10.6 million increase (Exhibit RBD-3, page
3 2, line 9, column 5)

4 The variance for the Energy Cost of Economy Purchases is attributable to higher
5 than projected economy power purchases and higher than projected costs for
6 economy purchases. FPL now projects to purchase 149,932 MWh more of
7 economy power, resulting in a volume variance of \$4,266,876. The average cost
8 of economy purchases is now projected to be \$12.59/MWh higher than originally
9 projected, resulting in a cost variance of \$6,290,406. The combination of higher
10 economy power purchases coupled with higher costs for economy power purchases
11 results in a total variance of \$10,557,282.

12

13 Fuel Cost of Stratified Sales - \$4.9 million decrease (Exhibit RBD-3, page 2, line
14 4, column 5)

15 The variance for the fuel cost of stratified sales is primarily attributable to lower
16 than originally projected stratified sales.

17

18 Fuel Cost of Purchased Power - \$1.7 million increase (Exhibit RBD-3, page 2, line
19 7, column 5)

1 The variance of \$1,721,720 for the Fuel Cost of Purchased Power is primarily
2 attributable to higher than projected purchases from the Solid Waste Authority
3 (“SWA”). FPL now projects to purchase 111,645 MWh more from SWA, resulting
4 in a volume variance of \$3,510,970. The volume variance is partially offset by
5 lower than projected fuel costs for SWA purchases. FPL now projects that the
6 average unit fuel cost for SWA purchases will be \$2.18/MWh lower than originally
7 projected, resulting in a cost variance of (\$2,214,813). The combination of higher
8 SWA purchases and lower fuel costs for SWA purchases results in a net variance
9 for SWA purchases of \$1,296,157. The remaining variance of \$425,563 is
10 primarily attributable to higher than projected fuel costs for St. Lucie Plant
11 Reliability Exchange purchases.

12
13 Fuel Cost of Power Sold - \$1.4 million decrease (Exhibit RBD-3, page 2, line 5,
14 column 5)

15 The variance of \$1,365,588 for the Fuel Cost of Power Sold is attributable to lower
16 than projected economy power sales and lower than projected fuel costs on
17 economy power sales. FPL now projects to sell 23,688 MWh less of economy
18 power, resulting in a volume variance of \$529,151. The average unit fuel cost on
19 economy power sales is now projected to be \$0.35/MWh lower than originally
20 projected, resulting in a cost variance of \$795,472. The combination of lower
21 economy power sales and lower fuel costs attributable to economy power sales
22 results in a total variance for economy power sales of \$1,324,623. The remaining
23 variance of \$40,965 is attributable to lower than projected St. Lucie Plant

1 Reliability Exchange sales and lower than projected fuel costs attributable to St.
2 Lucie Plant Reliability Exchange sales.

3
4 Gains from Off-System Sales - \$2.2 million increase (Exhibit RBD-3, page 2, line
5 6, column 5)

6 The variance for Gains from Off-System Sales is primarily attributable to higher
7 than projected margins on economy power sales. FPL now projects that margins
8 on economy power sales will be \$1.09/MWh higher than originally projected,
9 resulting in a cost variance of \$2,447,900. The cost variance is partially offset by
10 lower than projected economy power sales. FPL now projects to sell 23,688 MWh
11 less of economy power, resulting in a volume variance of \$204,811. The
12 combination of higher margins on economy power sales and lower economy power
13 sales results in a net variance for Gains from Off-System Sales of \$2,243,089.

14
15 Energy Payments to Qualifying Facilities - \$0.344 million decrease (Exhibit RBD-
16 3, page 2, line 8, column 5)

17 The variance of (\$344,315) for Energy Payments to Qualifying Facilities is
18 primarily attributable to lower than projected fuel costs from As-Available Co-Gen
19 facilities. FPL now projects that fuel costs from As-Available Co-Gen facilities
20 will be \$1.35/MWh lower than originally projected.

21
22 Variable Power Plant O&M Avoided due to Economy Purchases - \$0.097 million
23 increase (Exhibit RBD-3, page 2, line 15, column 6)

1 The variance of \$97,456 is attributable to higher than originally projected economy
2 power purchases.

3
4 **CAPACITY COST RECOVERY CLAUSE**

5
6 **Q. Have you provided a schedule showing the calculation of the CCR 2021**
7 **actual/estimated true-up by month?**

8 A. Yes. Exhibit RBD-4, page 1 provides the calculation of the CCR actual/estimated
9 true-up by month for the period January 2021 through December 2021.

10 **Q. Please explain the calculation of the CCR 2021 actual/estimated true-up and**
11 **the end-of-period net true-up amounts you are requesting this Commission to**
12 **approve.**

13 A. Exhibit RBD-4, pages 4 and 5 shows the actual/estimated capacity costs and
14 applicable revenues (January 2021 through June 2021 reflects actual data, while the
15 data for July 2021 through December 2021 is based on updated estimates)
16 compared to the original projection filing for the January 2021 through December
17 2021 period. The CCR revenues (net of revenue taxes) are projected to be \$0.687
18 million (Exhibit RBD-4, page 5, line 28, column 5) lower than FPL's original
19 projection filing. Jurisdictional total capacity costs are estimated to be \$5.592
20 million lower than the original projection filing (Exhibit RBD-4, page 5, line 23,
21 column 5). The \$5.592 million over-recovery due to lower jurisdictional capacity
22 costs and the \$0.687 million decrease in revenues, results in the 2021
23 actual/estimated true-up over-recovery amount of \$4,916,997 including interest

1 (Exhibit RBD-4, page 5, lines 30 plus 31, column 5).

2
3 As shown on Exhibit RBD-4, page 3, the 2021 end-of period net true up amount to
4 be carried forward to the 2022 CCR factors is an over-recovery of \$8,780,610 (line
5 14, column 15). This \$8,780,610 net over-recovery is comprised of the 2020 final
6 net true-up over-recovery of \$3,863,612 (line 11, column 15), and the
7 actual/estimated true-up over-recovery, including interest, of \$4,916,997 for the
8 period January 2021 through December 2021 (lines 8 plus 9, column 15).

9 **Q. Is this true-up calculation made in accordance with the procedures previously**
10 **approved in predecessors to this docket?**

11 A. Yes.

12 **Q. Please explain the variances related to capacity costs.**

13 A. As shown in Exhibit RBD-4, page 5, line 1, column 5, total system capacity costs
14 are estimated to be \$5,840,976 or 2.4% lower than projected in FPL's original
15 projection filing. The variance related to the jurisdictional portion of these costs is
16 also a 2.4% decrease from the original projection (page 5, line 23, column 6).
17 Below are the primary reasons for the estimated \$5.8 million decrease in total
18 system capacity costs.

19
20 Transmission Revenues from Capacity Sales - \$1.6 million increase (Exhibit RBD-
21 4, page 4, line 5, column 5)

22 Approximately (\$2,015,000) of the total variance is attributable to higher revenues
23 from capacity premiums associated with power capacity sales. Lower than

1 originally projected transmission revenues from economy sales resulted in a
2 variance of approximately \$394,000. Higher revenues from capacity premiums,
3 offset by lower transmission revenues from economy sales resulted in a total
4 variance of (\$1,621,454).

5
6 Transmission of Electricity by Others - \$0.538 million increase (Exhibit RBD-4,
7 page 4, line 4, column 5)

8 The variance is primarily due to a sign reversal for the original projection amount
9 of (\$375,581), which should have been reflected as \$375,581, offset by lower than
10 originally projected costs of \$162,610 for the purchase of third-party transmission
11 utilized to facilitate wholesale power sales during the period.

12
13 Incremental Nuclear NRC Compliance Costs – Capital - \$0.431 million decrease
14 (Exhibit RBD-4, page 4, line 9, column 5)

15 The variance for incremental nuclear NRC compliance capital costs is primarily
16 attributable to \$3 million in salvage recorded in late 2020, which reduced return
17 requirements in 2021.

18
19 Incremental Plant Security Costs – Capital - \$0.474 million decrease (Exhibit RBD-
20 4, page 4, line 7, column 5)

21 The variance for incremental plant security capital costs is primarily attributable to
22 the deferral of Turkey Point Force-On-Force plant modifications from 2020, which
23 lowered the beginning balance in the 2021 original projections, thereby reducing

1 2021 revenue requirements.

2

3 Incremental Plant Security Costs - O&M - \$2.3 million decrease (Exhibit RBD-4,
4 page 4, line 6, column 5)

5 The variance for incremental plant security O&M costs is primarily attributable to
6 a shift in security officer support charges to the capital projects which lowered the
7 amount charged to the Capacity Clause.

8

9 Incremental Nuclear NRC Compliance Costs - O&M - \$0.208 million decrease
10 (Exhibit RBD-4, page 4, line 8, column 5)

11 The variance for incremental nuclear NRC compliance O&M costs is primarily
12 attributable to lower than projected annual Regional Response Center fees.

13 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

14 A. Yes, it does.

1 **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

2 **FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY**

3 **TESTIMONY OF RENAE B. DEATON**

4 **DOCKET NO. 20210001-EI**

5 **SEPTEMBER 3, 2021**

6

7 **Q. Please state your name, business address, employer and position.**

8 A. My name is Renae B. Deaton. My business address is 700 Universe Boulevard,
9 Juno Beach, Florida 33408. I am employed by Florida Power & Light Company
10 (“FPL” or “the Company”) as the Senior Director, Clause Recovery and Wholesale
11 Rates in the Regulatory & State Governmental Affairs Department.

12 **Q. Have you previously testified in this docket?**

13 A. Yes.

14 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

15 A. The purpose of my testimony in this docket is to present for Commission review
16 and approval the calculations of FPL’s Fuel Cost Recovery (“FCR”) Clause and
17 Capacity Cost Recovery (“CCR”) Clause factors for the period January 2022
18 through December 2022, which are based on unified rates for FPL and Gulf Power
19 (“Gulf”).

20

21 FPL and Gulf will be operationally and functionally integrated in 2022. On March
22 12, 2021, FPL filed with the Commission a Petition for Base Rate Increase and
23 Unification in Docket No. 20210015 (“2021 Rate Case”) that requested, among

1 other things, authority to consolidate and unify the FPL and Gulf base rates
2 effective January 1, 2022. On August 10, 2021, FPL, the Office of Public Counsel,
3 Florida Retail Federation, Florida Industrial Power Users Group and Southern
4 Alliance for Clean Energy filed a Joint Motion for Approval of Settlement
5 Agreement (“Settlement Agreement”) to resolve all matters pending in the 2021
6 Rate Case. Vote Solar, the CLEO Institute and the Federal Executive Agencies
7 subsequently also signed on to the Settlement Agreement. The Settlement
8 Agreement provides that, in addition to base rate unification, clause rates will also
9 be unified effective January 1, 2022. Therefore, FPL is requesting recovery of
10 unified 2022 FCR and CCR factors that have been calculated based on the
11 consolidation of FPL and Gulf fuel and power cost projections, contingent upon the
12 Commission’s approval of the Settlement Agreement. Because FPL and Gulf
13 remain separate ratemaking entities through 2021, the 2022 FCR and CCR factors
14 include the separate FPL and Gulf standalone prior and current period true-up
15 amounts.

16
17 My testimony addresses the following subjects:

- 18 • Revised 2021 FCR actual/estimated true-up amounts for FPL and Gulf,
19 which are incorporated into the calculation of the unified 2022 FCR factors;
- 20 • Unified FCR clause factors for the period January 2022 through December
21 2022;
- 22 • The calculation of the jurisdictional amount of FPLs portion of the 2020
23 asset optimization gains to be recovered through the 2022 FCR factors;

- 1 • Unified CCR clause factors for the period January 2022 through December
2 2022 including refunds for the true-up of the 2019 and 2020 SoBRAs and
3 the Okeechobee Clean Energy Center limited scope adjustment (“OCEC
4 LSA”);
- 5 • Proposed cogeneration as-available energy (“COG-1”) tariff sheets, which
6 reflect updated variable operation and maintenance expense and loss factors
7 for the consolidated company; and
- 8 • Items from the Settlement Agreement that impact the 2022 FCR and CCR
9 factors.

10

11 Finally, I have reviewed the testimonies and exhibits that were filed by Mr. Richard
12 L. Hume on behalf of Gulf in this docket on April 2, 2021 (2020 Final True-Up)
13 and July 27, 2021 (2021 Actual/Estimated True-Up). Those testimonies and
14 exhibits are accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief, and with the exception
15 of the portions relating specifically to Mr. Hume’s background and experience, I
16 adopt them as my own.

17 **Q. Have you prepared or caused to be prepared under your direction,**
18 **supervision, or control any exhibits in this proceeding?**

19 A. Yes. They are as follows:

20 Exhibit RBD-5 (Appendix II)

- 21 • Schedules E1, E1-A, E1-C, E1-D, E1-E, E2, Calculation of
22 Jurisdictional Asset Optimization Gains – Company Portion, RS-1
23 Inverted Rate Calculation, which provide the calculation of unified FCR

1 factors for January 2022 through December 2022, and Schedules E10
2 and H1;

3 • Pages 9 through 13, which provide the consolidated 2022 Projected
4 Energy Losses by Rate Class;

5 • Pages 140 through 143, which provide updated COG-1 tariff sheets;

6 Exhibit RBD-6 (Appendices III-A and III-B)

7 • Revised E1b schedules for FPL and Gulf, which provide the calculation
8 of revised 2021 Actual/Estimated true-up amounts;

9 Exhibit RBD-7 (Appendix IV)

10 • Pages 1 through 4 provide the calculation of unified 2022 CCR factors
11 including refunds for the 2019 and 2020 SoBRA true-ups and the OCEC
12 LSA true-up;

13 • Pages 5 through 9 provide the calculation of depreciation and return on
14 incremental power plant security and incremental Nuclear Regulatory
15 Commission (“NRC”) compliance capital investments;

16 • Page 10 provides the calculation of amortization and return on the
17 regulatory asset related to the Cedar Bay Transaction;

18 • Page 11 provides the calculation of amortization and return on the
19 regulatory liability related to the Cedar Bay Transaction;

20 • Page 12 provides the calculation of amortization and return on the
21 regulatory asset related to the Indiantown Transaction;

22 • Page 13 provides the calculation of the amortization and return on the
23 regulatory asset related to the recording of safety-related expenses and

1 incremental bad debt incurred due to COVID-19 by Gulf as approved in
2 Order No. PSC-2021-0267-S-PU in Docket No. 20200194-PU
3 (“COVID-19 Regulatory Asset”);

- 4 • Page 14 provides the capital structure, components and cost rates relied
5 upon to calculate the rate of return applied to capital investments
6 included for recovery through the CCR clause for the period January
7 2022 through December 2022; and
- 8 • Pages 17 through 30 provide the calculations of unified separation
9 factors.

10
11 **FUEL COST RECOVERY CLAUSE**

12
13 **Q. Has the Company revised FPL’s and Gulf’s 2021 FCR actual/estimated true-**
14 **up amounts that were filed on July 27, 2021?**

15 **A.** Yes. The 2021 FCR actual/estimated true-up amounts for FPL and Gulf have been
16 revised to include July 2021 actual data and to update the cost of system net
17 generation for August through December 2021 due to increases in natural gas
18 prices, as explained in the testimony of FPL witness Gerard J. Yupp. The revised
19 2021 actual/estimated true-up also includes updated FPL SolarTogether
20 subscription credit amounts that reflect July 2021 actual data and updated estimates
21 for August through December 2021.

22
23 FPL’s 2021 FCR actual/estimated true-up amount has been revised to an under-

1 recovery of \$288,304,271 (see Exhibit RBD-6, Appendix III-A). FPL's 2020 final
2 true-up under-recovery of \$72,891,803 that was filed on April 2, 2021 was included
3 and is being recovered in the 2021 midcourse correction factors approved in Order
4 PSC-2021-0142-PCO-EI issued on April 21, 2021. FPL's revised 2021
5 actual/estimated true-up under-recovery of \$288,304,271 is being included in the
6 calculation of unified 2022 FCR factors.

7
8 Gulf's 2021 FCR actual/estimated net true-up amount has been revised to an under-
9 recovery of \$65,641,361 (see Exhibit RBD-6, Appendix III-B). This \$65,641,361
10 under-recovery includes Gulf's 2020 final true-up over-recovery of \$6,085,680 that
11 was filed on April 2, 2021.

12
13 The total net true-up amount to be included in the 2022 FCR factors is an under-
14 recovery of \$353,945,632, as shown on line 33 of Schedule E1.

15 **Q. What adjustments are included in the calculation of the unified 2022 FCR**
16 **factors shown on Schedule E1 included in Appendix II?**

17 A. The unified 2022 FCR factors include the following adjustments: (1) a total net
18 true-up, which reflects the sum of FPL's and Gulf's revised 2021 actual/estimated
19 net true-up amounts, (2) a consolidated Generating Performance Incentive Factor
20 ("GPIF") which reflects the sum of FPL's and Gulf's GPIF results for 2020, (3) the
21 jurisdictional amount associated with FPL's share of the 2020 asset optimization gains
22 and (4) the cost associated with the projected 2022 Subscription Credit for the FPL
23 SolarTogether Program.

1 As discussed above, the total net true-up amount to be included in the 2022 FCR
2 factors is an under-recovery of \$353,945,632. The total net \$353,945,632 under-
3 recovery, divided by the projected retail sales of 122,096,501 MWh for January
4 2022 through December 2022, results in an increase of 0.2899 cents per kWh.

5
6 The FPL and Gulf GPIF testimonies of witness Charles R. Rote, filed on March 16,
7 2021, propose a reward of \$6,390,846 for FPL and a penalty of \$1,642,650 for Gulf
8 for the period ending December 2020. The total of these amounts, which represents
9 a net reward of \$4,748,196, is reflected on line 37 of Schedule E1. This \$4,748,196
10 reward, divided by the projected retail sales of 122,096,501 MWh for January 2022
11 through December 2022, results in an increase of 0.0039 cents per kWh.

12
13 FPL is including \$3,503,210 for the jurisdictional amount associated with its share of
14 2020 asset optimization gains in the calculation of its unified 2022 FCR factors, as
15 shown on line 38 of Schedule E1. As presented and explained in the direct testimony
16 and exhibits of witness Yupp filed on April 2, 2021 in this docket, FPL's activities
17 under the asset optimization program in 2020 delivered \$46,135,050 in total gains. Of
18 these total gains, FPL is allowed to retain \$3,681,030 (system amount) per Order No.
19 PSC-13-0023-S-EI dated January 14, 2013 and Order No. PSC-16-0560-AS-EI dated
20 December 15, 2016. FPL will reflect recovery of one-twelfth of the approved
21 jurisdictional amount of \$3,503,210, in each month's Schedule A2 for the period
22 January 2022 through December 2022 as a reduction to jurisdictional fuel revenues
23 applicable to each period. The calculation of the jurisdictional amount of the 2020

1 asset optimization gains is shown on page 4 of Appendix II. This \$3,503,210,
2 divided by the projected retail sales of 122,096,501 MWh for January 2022 through
3 December 2022, results in an increase of 0.0029 cents per kWh.

4
5 FPL has included \$113,512,426 associated with the projected 2022 Subscription
6 Credit for the FPL SolarTogether Program, as shown on line 39 of Schedule E1.
7 The subscription credit is based on the program's solar power plants' forecasted
8 generation and the Subscription Credit rate as reflected in the SolarTogether tariff
9 included in the Settlement Agreement. This \$113,512,426, divided by the projected
10 retail sales of 122,096,501 MWh for January 2022 through December 2022, results
11 in an increase of 0.0930 cents per kWh.

12
13 Schedule E2 provides the monthly unified FCR factors as well as the unified
14 levelized FCR factor for 2022. Schedule E-1E provides the calculation of the
15 unified 2022 FCR factors by rate group for each period.

16 **Q. Please explain the fuel cost of stratified sales amount reflected on line 2 of**
17 **Schedule E1.**

18 A. FPL has included a credit of \$54,128,274 associated with consolidated stratified
19 wholesale power sales contracts in effect in 2022. The fuel costs of wholesale sales
20 are normally included in the total cost of fuel and net power transactions used to
21 calculate the average system cost per kWh for fuel adjustment purposes. However,
22 since the fuel cost of the stratified sales are not recovered on an average system cost
23 basis, an adjustment has been made to remove these costs and the related kWh sales

1 from the fuel adjustment calculation. This adjustment was performed in the same
2 manner that off-system sales are removed from the calculation, consistent with
3 Order No. PSC-97-0262-FOF-EI.

4
5 **CAPACITY COST RECOVERY CLAUSE**

6
7 **Q. Have you prepared a summary of the requested consolidated CCR costs for**
8 **the projected period of January 2022 through December 2022?**

9 A. Yes. Pages 1 and 2 of Appendix IV provides this summary. Total recoverable
10 capacity costs for the period January 2022 through December 2022 on a
11 consolidated basis are \$275,309,761 (page 2, line 37). This includes \$291,876,857
12 of 2022 projected consolidated jurisdictional capacity costs (page 2, line 28), the
13 combined net true-up over-recovery for 2020 and 2021 of \$11,306,429 (page 2, line
14 31 plus line 32), the true-up refund for the OCEC LSA of \$5,055,917 (page 2, line
15 33) and the true-up refund associated with the 2019 and 2020 SoBRAs of \$204,750
16 (page 2, line 34).

17 **Q. What adjustments are included in the calculation of the combined 2022 CCR**
18 **factors included in Appendix IV?**

19 A. The total net true-up to be included in the unified 2022 CCR factors is an over-
20 recovery of \$11,306,429, as shown on page 2, line 31 plus line 32. This over-
21 recovery is comprised of FPL's 2020 final net true-up over-recovery of \$3,863,612
22 filed on April 2, 2021, FPL's 2021 actual/estimated true-up over-recovery of
23 \$4,916,997 filed on August 27, 2021, Gulf's 2020 final net true-up over-recovery

1 of \$838,127 filed on April 2, 2021, and Gulf's 2021 actual/estimated true-up over-
2 recovery of \$1,687,693 filed on August 27, 2021.

3
4 Pursuant to the 2016 Base Rate Settlement Agreement, a true-up of the OCEC LSA
5 and SoBRA is required if actual capital costs are lower than projected. As such,
6 FPL has included a credit of \$5.1 million, including interest (Appendix IV, page 2,
7 line 33) for the OCEC LSA true-up and a credit of \$0.205 million, including
8 interest, (Appendix IV, page 2, line 34) for the true-up of the 2019 and 2020
9 SoBRAs as a reduction in the calculation of unified 2022 CCR factors. These true-
10 up amounts were calculated pursuant to Order No. PSC-16-0560-AS-EI, as
11 discussed in the declarations of Jason Chin and Edward J. Anderson.

12 **Q. Do the unified 2022 CCR factors include costs associated with the COVID-19**
13 **Regulatory Asset?**

14 A. Yes. Pursuant to Order No. PSC-2021-0267-S-PU in Docket No. 20200194-PU,
15 Gulf established a regulatory asset of \$13.2 million for recovery of safety-related
16 expenses and incremental bad debt incurred due to COVID-19 through June 30,
17 2021. The COVID-19 Regulatory Asset is to be amortized over a three-year period
18 and recovered through the fuel and purchased power cost recovery clause
19 mechanism commencing January 2022 (see page 13 of Exhibit RBD-7, Appendix
20 IV).

21 **Q. Please describe the Weighted Average Cost of Capital ("WACC") that is used**
22 **in the calculation of the return on the 2022 capital investments included for**
23 **recovery.**

1 A. FPL calculated and applied a projected 2022 WACC in accordance with the
2 methodology established in Commission Order No. PSC-2020-0165-PAA-EU,
3 Docket No. 20200118-EU, issued on May 20, 2020 (“2020 WACC Order”). This
4 projected WACC is based on the 2022 Test Year Rate Case forecast and an ROE
5 of 10.60%, as provided in the Settlement Agreement. The WACC is used to
6 calculate the rate of return applied to the 2022 CCR capital investments. The
7 projected capital structure, components and cost rates used to calculate the rate of
8 return are provided on page 14 of Exhibit RBD-7 in Appendix IV.

9 **Q. Have you prepared a calculation of the allocation factors for demand and**
10 **energy?**

11 A. Yes. Page 3 of Appendix IV provides this calculation. The demand allocation
12 factors are calculated by determining the percentage each rate class contributes to
13 the monthly system peaks. The energy allocators are calculated by determining the
14 percentage each rate class contributes to total kWh sales, as adjusted for losses.

15 **Q. What are the effective dates that FPL is requesting for the new unified FCR**
16 **and CCR factors for 2022?**

17 A. FPL is requesting that unified FCR factors and CCR factors for the period January
18 2022 through December 2022 become effective starting with meter readings made
19 on or after January 1, 2022. These factors should remain in effect until modified
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Proposed Settlement Agreement

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Q. Have you made any adjustments to the 2022 FCR and CCR factors to reflect the proposed Settlement Agreement?

A. Yes. In addition to the filing of unified FCR and CCR factors that take effect January 1, 2022, subject to the Commission’s approval, the calculation of the 2022 FCR and CCR factors include the following adjustments proposed in the Settlement Agreement:

- Regulatory Assessment Fee (“RAF”) - Remove the RAF from the calculation of the FCR and CCR factors.
- Return on Equity (“ROE”) – The WACC reflects an ROE of 10.60% used in the CCR Clause.
- FPL SolarTogether Subscription Credits – Recover updated subscription credit amount as provided in the Settlement Agreement.
- Indiantown Generating Facility Non-Fuel Revenue Requirements – discontinue recovery of Indiantown base revenue requirements through the CCR and instead recover Indiantown site revenue requirements through base rates.

Q. How would the 2022 FCR and CCR costs be impacted if the Settlement Agreement is not approved or modified?

A. The FCR and CCR costs included in the 2022 actual/estimated and final true-up amounts will reflect the relevant provisions approved in the 2021 Rate Case.

1 **Q. Are there any adjustments in the Settlement Agreement that you have not**
2 **included in the calculation of the 2022 FCR or CCR factors?**

3 A. Yes. As part of the Settlement Agreement FPL has proposed changes in
4 depreciation rates that will impact the amounts to be recovered through the 2022
5 CCR Clause. The revised depreciation rates are not included in the calculation of
6 the 2022 capital revenue requirements due to the timing needed to prepare the CCR
7 schedules, but the approved depreciation rates will be reflected in the CCR costs in
8 the 2022 actual/estimated and final true-up amounts to be included in the 2023 CCR
9 factors.

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11 **Proposed 2022 Residential Bill Based on Unified Rates**

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13 **Q. What is FPL's proposed residential 1,000 kWh bill for the period January**
14 **2022 through December 2022 for the consolidated company?**

15 A. The proposed residential 1,000 kWh bill for January through December 2022 for
16 customers in the former FPL service area is \$113.85. This proposed bill includes a
17 base rate charge of \$75.82, which reflects base rates proposed in the Settlement
18 Agreement, an FCR charge of \$28.22, a CCR charge of \$2.39, an environmental
19 cost recovery charge of \$2.99, a conservation cost recovery charge of \$1.34, a storm
20 protection plan cost recovery charge of \$2.14, the transition rider credit of \$1.98
21 and the gross receipts tax and regulatory assessment fee of \$2.93. FPL's proposed
22 2022 residential 1,000 kWh bill for customers in the former FPL service area is
23 provided on Schedule E-10, which is page 137 of Appendix II.

1 The proposed residential 1,000 kWh bill for January through December 2022 for
2 customers in the former Gulf service area is \$148.78. This proposed bill includes
3 a base rate charge of \$75.82, which reflects base rates proposed in the Settlement
4 Agreement, an FCR charge of \$28.22, a CCR charge of \$2.39, an environmental
5 cost recovery charge of \$2.99, a conservation cost recovery charge of \$1.34, a storm
6 protection plan cost recovery charge of \$2.14, a storm restoration charge of \$11.00,
7 the transition rider surcharge of \$21.06, and the gross receipts tax and regulatory
8 assessment fee of \$3.82. FPL's proposed 2022 residential 1,000 kWh bill for
9 customers in the former Gulf service area is provided on Schedule E-10, which is
10 page 138 of Appendix II.

11 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

12 A. Yes, it does.

1 **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

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3 **GULF POWER COMPANY**

4 **TESTIMONY OF RICHARD L. HUME**

5 **DOCKET NO. 20210001-EI**

6 **APRIL 2, 2021**

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8 **Q. Please state your name, business address, and occupation.**

9 A. My name is Richard Hume. My business address is One Energy Place Pensacola,
10 FL 32520. I am the Regulatory Issues Manager for Florida Power & Light
11 Company (“FPL”), as successor by merger with, Gulf Power Company (“Gulf
12 Power”).

13 **Q. Please briefly describe your educational background and business experience.**

14 A. I graduated from the University of Florida in 1991 with a Bachelor of Science
15 degree in Business Administration with a Finance Major and earned a Master of
16 Business Administration degree with a Finance Concentration from the University
17 of Florida in 1995. In 1998, I worked for New-Energy Associates, (which became
18 a subsidiary of Siemens Power Generation), a consulting firm that works with
19 electric and gas utilities across the United States. During that time, I consulted in
20 the area of financial forecasting and budgeting as well as cost of service and
21 rate forecasting. In 2007, I joined Oglethorpe Power and after a year was
22 promoted to the position of Director of Financial Forecasting. In that position I
23 was primarily responsible for the long-range financial forecast and resource
24 plan. In 2012, I joined FPL managing a data analytics team. In that position part
25 of what my team was responsible for was customer rate and bill impact

1 analysis and worked in partnership with the Regulatory Affairs team. In 2019, I
2 joined Gulf Power as the Regulatory Issues Manager where my current
3 responsibilities include oversight of Gulf Power’s fuel and purchase power cost
4 recovery clause, calculation of cost recovery factors and the related regulatory
5 filings.

6 **Q. Please describe the relationship of Gulf Power to FPL.**

7 A. Gulf Power was acquired by FPL’s parent company, NextEra Energy, Inc., on
8 January 1, 2019. Gulf Power was subsequently merged with FPL on January 1,
9 2021. Following the acquisition, and even prior to the legal combination of FPL
10 and Gulf Power, the two companies began to consolidate their operations; however,
11 the companies remained separate ratemaking entities. On March 12, 2021, FPL
12 filed with the Florida Public Service Commission (“FPSC” or “ the Commission”) a
13 Petition for Unification of Rates and for a Base Rate Increase, in which FPL
14 requested that the Commission approve the placement of FPL’s rates into effect for
15 all customers currently served pursuant to the rates and tariffs on file for Gulf
16 Power. If the Commission approves FPL’s request, Gulf Power will no longer exist
17 as a separate ratemaking entity.

18 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony in this docket?**

19 A. The purpose of my testimony is to present the final true-up amounts for the period
20 January 2020 through December 2020 for both the Fuel and Purchased Power Cost
21 Recovery Clause and the Capacity Cost Recovery Clause. I will summarize Gulf
22 Power’s fuel expenses, net power transaction expense, purchased power capacity
23 costs, and certify that these expenses were properly incurred during the period
24 January 2020 through December 2020. Lastly, I will present the actual benchmark
25 level for the calendar year 2021 gains on non-separated wholesale energy sales

1 eligible for a shareholder incentive and the amount of gains or losses from hedging
2 settlements for the period January 2020 through December 2020.

3 **Q. Have you prepared any exhibits to which you will refer in your testimony?**

4 A. Yes, I have. Exhibit RLH-1 consists of 8 schedules which includes 2 schedules
5 related to the fuel and purchased power cost recovery final true-up, 1 schedule that
6 relates to Gulf Power's natural gas fuel hedging activities for 2020 and 5 schedules
7 that relate to the capacity cost recovery final true-up. Exhibit RLH-2 contains
8 Schedules A-1 through A-9 and A-12 for the period December 2020, previously
9 filed with the Commission.

10 **Q. Have you verified that to the best of your knowledge and belief, the
11 information contained in these documents is correct?**

12 A. Yes, I have. Unless otherwise indicated, the actual data in these documents is taken
13 from the books and records of Gulf Power. The books and records are kept in the
14 regular course of business in accordance with generally accepted accounting
15 principles and practices, and provisions of the Uniform System of Accounts as
16 prescribed by the Commission. Based on the information in these documents and
17 the foregoing testimony, the recoverable fuel and purchased power costs, and
18 hedging activities are reasonable and prudent.

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I. FUEL

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22 **Q. Which schedules of your exhibit relate to the calculation of the fuel and
23 purchased power cost recovery true-up amount?**

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A. Schedules 1 and 2 of my Exhibit RLH-1 relate to the fuel and purchased power cost
25 recovery true-up calculation for the period January 2020 through December 2020.

1 These schedules compare twelve months of actual data to the actual/estimated true-
2 up filed in last year's fuel docket which included six months of actual and six
3 months of re-projected data. In addition, Fuel Cost Recovery Schedules A-1
4 through A-9 for December 2020 are incorporated herein as Exhibit RLH-2. The
5 A-schedules compare twelve months of actual data to twelve months of projected
6 data from a combination of the original 2020 fuel projection for the period January
7 through June, and the 2020 estimated true-up re-projections for the period July
8 through December.

9 **Q. What is the final fuel and purchased power cost true-up amount related to the**
10 **period January 2020 through December 2020 to be addressed through the fuel**
11 **cost recovery factors in the period January 2022 through December 2022?**

12 A. A net over-recovery amount of \$6,085,680 will be included in the calculation of
13 the 2022 fuel cost recovery clause rates, as shown on Schedule 1 of Exhibit RLH-
14 1.

15 **Q. How was this amount calculated?**

16 A. The \$6,085,680 is calculated on Schedule 1 of my Exhibit RLH-1 by taking the
17 difference between the estimated and actual over/under-recovery amounts for the
18 period January 2020 through December 2020. The estimated under-recovery
19 amount was \$9,968,285 as compared to the actual under-recovery amount of
20 \$3,882,605, resulting in a net over-recovery of \$6,085,680. The estimated true-up
21 amount for this period was approved in FPSC Order No. PSC-2020-0439-FOF-EI,
22 dated November 16, 2020.

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1 **Q. What are the primary factors which contributed to the final fuel and**
2 **purchased power cost true-up amount?**

3 A. Gulf Power experienced lower than estimated fuel and net power expense and
4 higher than estimated jurisdictional fuel clause revenue. These variances are
5 discussed in more detail below and are summarized on Schedule 2 of Exhibit RLH-
6 1.

7 **Fuel Clause Revenue**

8 **Q. Please explain the variance in fuel revenue applicable for 2020.**

9 A. Gulf Power's jurisdictional fuel revenue was \$305,319,719 which was \$4,005,263
10 or 1.33% above the actual/estimated.

11 **Total Fuel and Net Power Transactions**

12 **Q. During the period January 2020 through December 2020, how did Gulf Power's**
13 **recoverable total fuel and net power transaction expenses compare with the**
14 **actual/estimated expenses?**

15 A. Gulf Power's recoverable total fuel cost and net power transaction expense was
16 \$308,815,472 which is \$1,455,615 or 0.47% below the estimated amount of
17 \$310,271,087. Actual fuel and net power transaction energy was 17,806,382 MWh
18 compared to the estimated net energy of 21,151,772 MWh or 15.82% lower than
19 the estimated amount. The lower total fuel and net power transactions expense is
20 attributed to a lower quantity of fuel and net power transaction energy than
21 projected for the period presented above. This information is summarized on
22 Schedule 2 of my Exhibit RLH-1.

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1 **Total Fuel Cost of Generated Power**

2 **Q. During the period January 2020 through December 2020, how did Gulf Power's**
 3 **recoverable fuel cost of net generation compare with the actual/estimated**
 4 **expenses?**

5 A. Gulf Power's recoverable fuel cost of system net generation was \$190,842,864 or
 6 11.26% below the estimated amount of \$215,050,454. This information is
 7 summarized on Schedule 2 of Exhibit RLH-1 and the table below provides the
 8 detail of the variance.

Fuel Variance	2020 Final True-up	2020 Actual / Estimated	Difference
<u>OIL - C.T.</u>			
Total Dollar	\$43,427	\$56,283	(12,856)
Units	2,871	3,607	(736)
\$ per Units	15.1261	15.6038	(0.48)
Variance Due to Consumption			(11,133)
Variance Due to Cost			\$ (1,723)
Total Variance			(12,856)
<u>GAS</u>			
Total Dollar	\$109,050,227	\$118,192,873	(9,142,646)
Units	40,783,185	45,994,831	(5,211,646)
\$ per Units	2.6739	2.5697	0.10
Variance Due to Consumption			(13,935,429)
Variance Due to Cost			4,792,783
Total Variance			(9,142,646)
<u>COAL + GAS B.L. + OIL B.L.</u>			
Total Dollar	\$81,160,388	\$96,188,953	(15,028,565)
Units	23,637,582	30,484,736	(6,847,154)
\$ per Units	3.4335	3.1553	0.28
Variance Due to Consumption			(23,509,921)
Variance Due to Cost			8,481,355
Total Variance			(15,028,565)
<u>Other Adjustments to Fuel Costs</u>			
Total Variance	\$588,822	\$612,346	(23,523)
<u>Total Variance</u>			
Total Variance Due to Consumption			(37,456,482)
OIL - C.T.			(11,133)
GAS			(13,935,429)
COAL + GAS B.L. + OIL B.L.			(23,509,921)
Total Variance Due to Cost			13,248,893
OIL - C.T.			(1,723)
GAS			4,792,783
COAL + GAS B.L. + OIL B.L.			8,481,355
Other Adjustments to Fuel Costs			(23,523)
Total			(24,207,590)

1 **Total Cost of Purchased Power**

2 **Q. During the period January 2020 through December 2020, how did Gulf Power**
3 **'s recoverable fuel cost of purchased power compare to actual/estimated cost?**

4 A. Gulf Power's recoverable fuel cost of purchased power for the period was
5 \$177,881,592 or 1.68% below the estimated amount of \$180,925,065. Total
6 megawatt hours of purchased power were 7,073,921 MWh compared to the
7 estimate of 7,549,910 MWh or 6.30% below estimates. The resulting average fuel
8 cost of purchased power was 2.515 cents per kWh or 4.93% above the estimated
9 amount of 2.396 cents per kWh. This information is from Schedule A-1, period-
10 to-date, for the month of December 2020 included in Exhibit RLH-2 and
11 summarized on Schedule 2 of Exhibit RLH-1.

12 **Q. What are the reasons for the difference between Gulf Power's actual fuel cost**
13 **of purchased power and the actual/estimated costs?**

14 A. The lower total fuel cost of purchased power is primarily due to lower megawatt
15 hours purchased by Gulf Power through purchased power agreements than
16 estimated.

17 **Power Sales**

18 **Q. During the period January 2020 through December 2020 how did Gulf Power**
19 **'s recoverable fuel cost of power sold compare with the actual/estimated costs?**

20 A. Gulf Power's recoverable fuel cost of power sold for the period is \$56,082,677 or
21 34.30% lower than the estimated amount of \$85,357,812. The total quantity of
22 power sales was 3,065,477 MWh compared to Gulf Power's estimated sales of
23 4,668,264 MWh, or 34.33% below estimates. The resulting average fuel cost of
24 power sold was 1.829 cents per kWh or 0.06% above the estimated amount of 1.828

1 cents per kWh. The 2020 actual information is from Schedule A-1, period-to-date,
2 for the month of December 2020 and summarized on Schedule 2 of RLH-1.

3 **Q. What are the reasons for the difference between Gulf Power's actual fuel cost**
4 **of power sold and the actual/estimated costs?**

5 A. The lower actual fuel cost of power sold is primarily due to a lower quantity of
6 generation available for non-territorial sales after meeting Gulf Power's territorial
7 load.

8 **Gains on Non-Separated Wholesale Energy Sales Benchmark**

9 **Q. Has the benchmark level for gains on non-separated wholesale energy sales**
10 **eligible for a shareholder incentive been updated for actual 2019 gains?**

11 A. Yes, the three-year rolling average gain on economy sales, based entirely on actual
12 data for calendar years 2018 through 2020 is calculated
13 as follows:

14	Year	Actual Gain
15	2018	589,410
16	2019	159,393
17	2020	202,489
18	Three-Year Average	\$317,097

19 **Q. What is the actual threshold for 2021?**

20 A. The actual threshold for 2021 is \$317,097.

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II. HEDGING

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Q. Did Gulf Power’s fuel hedging activity during 2020 follow Gulf Power’s Risk Management Plan for Fuel Procurement?

A. Yes. As part of the Stipulation and Settlement Agreement, in Docket No. 20160186-EI, Gulf Power agreed to continue its existing moratorium for new natural gas financial hedges until January 1, 2021. Although Gulf Power did not enter into any new financial hedge contracts in 2020, hedges that settled in 2020 were entered into prior to the current moratorium on natural gas financial hedges and complied with previously approved Risk Management Plans. Gulf Power has had no hedging activities since March 2020.

Q. For the period in question, what volume of natural gas was hedged using a fixed price contract or financial instrument?

A. Gulf Power hedged 990,000 MMBtu of natural gas based upon plant Smith 3 and the Central Alabama PPA combined cycle unit projected burns in 2020 using financial instruments. This represents 5% of Gulf Power’s 18,600,279 MMBtu actual gas burn for these resources during the period. The total amount of natural gas burn by month for these resources is reported on Schedule 3 of Exhibit RLH-1.

Q. What types of hedging instruments were used by Gulf Power, and what type and volume of fuel was hedged by each type of instrument?

A. Natural gas was hedged using financial swap contracts that were entered into prior to the current moratorium. These swaps settled against the NYMEX Last Day Final Settlement price.

1 **Q. What was the actual total cost (e.g., fees, commissions, option premiums,**
2 **future gains and losses, swap settlements) associated with each type of hedging**
3 **instrument for the period January 2020 through December 2020?**

4 A. No fees, commissions, or premiums were paid by Gulf Power on the financial hedge
5 transactions during this period. Gulf Power's 2020 hedging program activities for
6 the period January through March 2020 resulted in a net hedge settlement cost of
7 \$1,605,420 as shown on line 2 of the December 2020 Schedule A-1, period-to-date
8 of Exhibit RLH-2.

10 III. PURCHASED POWER CAPACITY

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12 **Q. Mr. Hume, you stated earlier that you are responsible for the purchased power**
13 **capacity cost recovery true-up calculation. Which schedules of your exhibit**
14 **relate to the calculation of this amount?**

15 A. Schedules CCA-1, CCA-2, CCA-3, CCA-4 and CCA-5 of Exhibit RLH-1 relate to
16 the purchased power capacity cost recovery true-up calculation for the period
17 January 2020 through December 2020. Schedules CCA-1 and Schedule CCA-2
18 summarize the calculation of the final true-up amount. Schedules CCA-3 through
19 CCA-5 provides the monthly calculation of the actual over/under-recovery of
20 purchased power capacity costs, monthly calculation of the interest provision and
21 additional details related to purchased power capacity contracts which also appear
22 on Lines 1 and 2 of Schedule CCA-3. In addition, Schedule A-12 of Exhibit RLH-
23 2 contains purchased power capacity cost information for the period January 2020
24 through December 2020.

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1 **Q. What is the final purchased power capacity cost true-up amount related to the**
2 **period of January 2020 through December 2020 to be addressed in the period**
3 **January 2022 through December 2022?**

4 A. An over-recovery amount of \$838,127 will be included in the calculation of the
5 2022 purchased power capacity clause rates, as shown on Schedule CCA-1 of
6 Exhibit RLH-1.

7 **Q. How was this amount calculated?**

8 A. The \$838,127 was calculated by taking the difference between the estimated
9 January 2020 through December 2020 under-recovery of \$2,700,587 and the actual
10 under-recovery of \$1,862,460. This true up amount is also the sum of lines 11, 12,
11 and 15 under column 1 of Schedule CCA-2 of Exhibit RLH-1. The estimated true-
12 up amount for this period was approved in FPSC Order No. PSC-2020-0439-FOF-
13 EI dated November 16, 2020.

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15 Additional details supporting the approved estimated true-up amount are included
16 on Schedules CCE-1A and CCE-1B filed July 27, 2020.

17 **Q. During the period January 2020 through December 2020, how did Gulf**
18 **Power's actual total purchased power capacity costs and jurisdictional**
19 **capacity clause revenue compare with the actual/estimated amounts?**

20 A. The actual total capacity payments for the period January 2020 through December
21 2020, as shown on line 5 of Schedule CCA-2 contained in Exhibit RLH-1, was
22 \$84,446,374. Gulf Power's total estimated net purchased power capacity cost for
23 the same period was \$85,345,135, as indicated on line 5 of Schedule CCE-1B the
24 Exhibit RLH-3 filed July 27, 2020 in Docket No. 20200001-EI. The difference
25 between the actual net capacity cost and the estimated net capacity cost for the

1 recovery period is \$898,761 or 1.05% less than the estimated amount.
2 Jurisdictional capacity clause revenue for the period January 2020 through
3 December 2020, as shown on line 10 of Schedule CCA-2, was \$80,260,003 or
4 \$35,964 lower than the estimate of \$80,533,916. Jurisdictional capacity clause
5 revenue and expense variances were less than one percent for the period.

6 **Q. Mr. Hume, does this complete your testimony?**

7 A. Yes.

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Docket No. 20210001-EI

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared Richard L. Hume, who being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he is the Regulatory Issues Manager of Gulf Power Company, a Florida corporation, that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief. He is personally known to me.

Richard L. Hume

Richard L. Hume
Regulatory Issues Manager

Sworn to and subscribed before me by means of physical presence or _____
online notarization this 1st day of April, 2021.

Melissa Adarnes
Notary Public, State of Florida at Large



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1 **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

2 **GULF POWER COMPANY**

3 **TESTIMONY OF RICH L. HUME**

4 **DOCKET NO. 20210001-EI**

5 **JULY 27, 2021**

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7 **Q. Please state your name and address.**

8 A. My name is Richard Hume. My business address is One Energy Place Pensacola,
9 FL 32520. I am the Regulatory Issues Manager for Florida Power & Light
10 Company (“FPL”), as successor by merger with, Gulf Power Company (“Gulf
11 Power”).

12 **Q. Have you previously testified in this docket?**

13 A. Yes, I have.

14 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

15 A. The purpose of my testimony is to present for Commission review and approval the
16 calculation of the actual/estimated true-up amounts for the Fuel Cost Recovery
17 (“FCR”) Clause and the Capacity Cost Recovery (“CCR”) Clause for the period
18 January 2021 through December 2021.

19 **Q. Have you prepared or caused to be prepared under your direction, supervision
20 or control any exhibits with your testimony?**

21 A. Yes, various schedules are included in Exhibit RLH-3 and Exhibit RLH-4. Exhibit
22 RLH-3 contains the FCR schedules and Exhibit RLH-4 contains the CCR
23 schedules.

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1 **Q. What is the source of the actual data that you present by way of testimony or**
2 **exhibits in this proceeding?**

3 A. Unless otherwise indicated, the actual data are taken from the books and records of
4 Gulf Power. The books and records are kept in the regular course of the Company's
5 business in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and practices,
6 as well as the provisions of the Uniform System of Accounts as prescribed by this
7 Commission.

8 **Q. Please describe the data that Gulf has used as a comparison when calculating**
9 **the FCR and CCR actual/estimated true-up amounts presented in your**
10 **testimony.**

11 A. The FCR true-up calculation compares actual/estimated data consisting of actuals
12 for January 2021 through June 2021 and revised estimates for July 2021 through
13 December 2021 to the data reflected in Gulf's original projection for the period
14 January 2021 through December 2021 filed on September 3, 2020. Likewise, the
15 CCR true-up calculation compares actual/estimated data consisting of actuals for
16 January 2021 through June 2021 and revised estimates for July 2021 through
17 December 2021 to the data reflected in Gulf's original projections for the period
18 January 2021 through December 2021 filed on September 3, 2020.

19 **Q. Please explain the calculation of the interest provision that is applicable to the**
20 **FCR and CCR true-up amounts.**

21 A. The calculation of the interest provision follows the methodology used in
22 calculating the interest provision for all cost recovery clauses, as previously
23 approved by this Commission. The interest provision is the result of multiplying
24 the monthly average true-up amount for the twelve-month period by the monthly
25 average interest rate. The average interest rate for the months reflecting actual data
26 is developed using the AA financial 30-day rates as published on the Federal

1 Reserve website on the first business day of the current month and the subsequent
2 month divided by two. The average interest rate for the estimated months is the
3 actual rate published on the first business day in July 2021, which reflects the
4 interest rate from the last business day in June 2021.

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6 **FUEL COST RECOVERY CLAUSE**

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8 **Q. Have you provided a schedule showing the calculation of the FCR 2021**
9 **actual/estimated true-up by month?**

10 A. Yes. Exhibit RLH-3, Schedule E-1B shows the calculation of the FCR
11 actual/estimated true-up by month for the period January 2021 through December
12 2021.

13 **Q. What has Gulf calculated as the fuel cost recovery true-up factor to be applied**
14 **in the period January 2021 through December 2021?**

15 A. The fuel cost recovery true-up factor for this period is 0.3713 cents per kWh. As
16 shown on Schedule E-1A, this calculation includes an estimated under-recovery for
17 the January through December 2021 period of \$46 million. It also includes a final
18 over-recovery for the January through December 2020 period of \$6 million (see
19 Schedule 1 of Exhibit RLH-1 filed in this docket on March 1, 2021). The resulting
20 total under-recovery of \$40 million will be incorporated into Gulf's proposed 2022
21 fuel cost recovery factors.

22 **Q. Have there been any other notable changes to the recoverable costs for the**
23 **actual period January 2021 through June 2021?**

24 A. Yes, Gulf made an adjustment that increased fuel clause revenues by \$1.2 million.
25 The adjustment of represents a reclassification of base retail revenue to clause
26 revenue. Subsequent to the close of the general ledger for the period ending

1 December 31, 2020, it was identified that base retail revenues were overstated by
2 \$2.0 million and clause revenues were understated by the same amount. The fuel
3 portion of this revenue adjustment is \$1.2 million, which was moved from base to
4 clause revenue in January 2021. (Exhibit RLH-3, Schedule E-1B, lines 6 plus 7
5 plus 8, column 15).

6 **Q. Were these calculations made in accordance with the procedures previously**
7 **approved in predecessors to this Docket?**

8 A. Yes.

9 **Q. Have you provided a schedule showing the variances between the**
10 **actual/estimated amounts and the projections for 2021?**

11 A. Yes. Exhibit RLH-3, Schedule E-1B-1 provides a variance calculation that
12 compares the 2021 actual/estimated period data by component to the same
13 components from the 2021 original projection filed on September 3, 2020.

14 **Q. Please summarize the variance Schedule E-1B-1 of Exhibit RLH-3.**

15 A. Gulf originally projected jurisdictional total fuel costs and net power transactions
16 to be \$327.3 million for 2021 (Exhibit RLH-3, page 3, line 21, column 4). The
17 actual/estimated jurisdictional total fuel costs and net power transactions are now
18 projected to be \$378.8 million for that period (Exhibit RLH-3, page 3, line 21,
19 column 3). The estimated variance is due to higher than projected costs of
20 generated and purchased power as well as lower than expected revenue from power
21 sales. Jurisdictional total fuel costs and net power transactions are estimated to be
22 \$51.4 million, or 15.73% higher than the original projection (Exhibit RLH-3, page
23 3, line 21, column 5). The net impact due to the increase in jurisdictional fuel costs
24 results in the actual/estimated true-up under-recovery of \$46 million (Exhibit RLH-
25 3, page 2, line 9, column 15).

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1 **Q. Please explain the variances in jurisdictional total fuel costs and net power**
 2 **transactions.**

3 A. The summary below shows the primary drivers for the \$51.4 million increase in
 4 jurisdictional total fuel costs.

Description	Variance (millions)
Fuel Costs of System Net Generated	\$ 25.3
Lower Gain on Power Sales	\$ 24.8
Total Cost of Purchased Power	\$ 2.1
Other Generation Power	\$ (0.7)
Total	\$ 51.4

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 12 Fuel Cost of System Net Generation: \$25.3 million increase (Exhibit RLH-3,
 13 Schedule E-1B-1, line 1 column 5):

14 The primary driver for the increase in cost of System Net Generation is higher
 15 prices than projected for natural gas. The table below outlines the variances in more
 16 detail and is also shown on Schedule E3.

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Fuel Variance by Major Fuel Type	2021 Actual Estimated	2021 Projection	Variance
<u>OIL - C.T.</u>			
Total Dollar	\$29,499	\$44,528	\$ (15,029)
MMBTU	1,942	2,905	(963)
\$ per MMBTU	15.19	15.33	\$ (0.14)
		Variance Due to Consumption	\$ (14,628)
		Variance Due to Cost	\$ (401)
<u>NATURAL GAS</u>			
Total Dollar	\$208,557,813	\$188,746,851	\$ 19,810,962
MMBTU	57,547,791	63,081,885	(5,534,094)
\$ per MMBTU	3.62	2.99	\$ 0.63
		Variance Due to Consumption	\$ (20,033,420)
		Variance Due to Cost	\$ 39,844,382
<u>COAL + GAS B.L. + OIL B.L.</u>			
Total Dollar	\$62,501,810	\$56,837,821	\$ 5,663,989
MMBTU	21,773,737	20,453,213	1,320,524
\$ per MMBTU	2.87	2.78	\$ 0.09
		Variance Due to Consumption	\$ 3,789,904
		Variance Due to Cost	\$ 1,874,085
<u>Other Adjustments to Fuel Costs</u>			
Total Variance	941,329	1,135,469	\$ (194,140)
		Total Variance Due to Consumption	\$ (16,258,144)
		Total Variance Due to Cost	\$ 41,523,926
		Total Variance	\$ 25,265,783

Total Gains on Power Sales: \$24.8 million decrease (Exhibit RLH-3, Schedule E-1B-1, line 12, column 5):

The decrease for Gains on Power Sales is primarily attributed to 1,496,556 MWh or 27.89% lower than projected power sales. The projected price for the fuel cost and gains on power sales is 2.6023 cents per kWh, which is 11.30% higher than the original projection.

Total Cost of Purchased Power: \$2.1 million increase (Exhibit RLH-3, Schedule E-1B-1, line 7, column 5):

The variance for the Cost of Purchased Power is primarily attributed to the higher payments to qualifying facilities estimated to be \$1.7 million higher than the projection filing. In addition, although economy purchases decreased, the

1 remaining variance is attributed to a higher economy purchase price in the Southern
2 Company Power Pool which is estimated to be 3.3216 cents/kWh or 12.81% higher
3 than originally projected. The higher price was offset by the decrease in lower
4 MWh purchases now estimated to be 10.5% lower than projected.

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6 Other generated power: \$0.7 million decrease (Exhibit RLH-3, Schedule E-1B-1,
7 lines 1b, 2 and 3, column 5):

8 Other costs of generated power variances are those related to wholesale kWh sales
9 credit, other generation, and miscellaneous adjustments to fuel costs.

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11 **CAPACITY COST RECOVERY CLAUSE**

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13 **Q. Have you provided a schedule showing the calculation of the CCR 2021**
14 **actual/estimated true-up by month?**

15 A. Yes. Exhibit RLH-4, Schedule CCE-1E provides the calculation of the CCR
16 actual/estimated true-up by month for the period January 2021 through December
17 2021.

18 **Q. What has Gulf calculated as the purchased power capacity factor true-up to**
19 **be applied in the period January 2021 through December 2021?**

20 A. The true-up for this period is (0.0233) cents per kWh, as shown on Schedule CCE-
21 1E. This calculation includes an estimated over-recovery of \$1.7 million for
22 January 2021 through December 2021. It also includes a final over-recovery of
23 \$0.8 million for the period January 2020 through December 2020 (see Schedule
24 CCA-1 of Exhibit RLH-1 filed in this docket on March 2, 2021). The resulting
25 total over-recovery of \$2.5 million will be incorporated into Gulf Power's proposed
26 2022 purchased power capacity cost recovery factors.

1 **Q. Please explain the calculation of the CCR 2021 actual/estimated true-up and**
 2 **the end-of-period net true-up amounts you are requesting this Commission to**
 3 **approve.**

4 A. Exhibit RLH-4, CCE-1B shows the actual/estimated capacity costs and applicable
 5 revenues (January 2021 through June 2021 reflects actual data, while the data for
 6 July 2021 through December 2021 is based on updated estimates) compared to the
 7 original projection filing for the January 2021 through December 2021 period. The
 8 \$2.5 million over-recovery is due to lower than projected retail sales. The total
 9 jurisdictional capacity payments are projected to be \$1.9 million or 2.2% lower than
 10 Gulf's original projection filing.

Description	2021 Actual/Estimated	2021 Projection	Variance
Total Jurisdictional Capacity Payments/(Receipts)	\$ 81,690,344	\$ 83,552,876	\$ (1,862,532)

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 14 **Q. Is this true-up calculation made in accordance with the procedures previously**
 15 **approved in predecessors to this docket?**

16 A. Yes.

17 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

18 A. Yes, it does.

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Recovery
with Generating Performance Incentive Factor

Docket No. 20210001-EI

Filed: October 7, 2021

ERRATA SHEET

APRIL 2, 2021 TESTIMONY OF GERARD J. YUPP

<u>PAGE No.</u>	<u>LINE No.</u>	
Page 1	Line 12	Strike “Have you previously testified in this docket?” and replace with “Please summarize your educational background and professional experience.”
Page 1	Line 13	Replace “Yes.” with “I graduated from Drexel University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering in 1989. I joined the Protection and Control Department of FPL in 1989 as a Field Engineer where I was responsible for the installation, maintenance, and troubleshooting of protective relay equipment for generation, transmission and distribution facilities. While employed by FPL, I earned a Masters of Business Administration degree from Florida Atlantic University in 1994. In 1996, I joined the Energy Marketing and Trading Division (“EMT”) of FPL as a real-time power trader. I progressed through several power trading positions and assumed the lead role for power trading in 2002. In 2004, I became the Director of Wholesale Operations and natural gas and fuel oil procurement and operations were added to my responsibilities. I have been in my current role since 2008. On the operations side, I am responsible for the procurement and management of all natural gas and fuel oil for FPL, as well as all short-term power trading activity. Finally, I am responsible for the oversight of FPL’s optimization activities associated with the Incentive Mechanism.”

1 **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**
2 **FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY**
3 **TESTIMONY OF GERARD J. YUPP**
4 **DOCKET NO. 20210001-EI**
5 **April 2, 2021**

6 **Q. Please state your name and address.**

7 A. My name is Gerard J. Yupp. My business address is 700 Universe Boulevard,
8 Juno Beach, Florida, 33408.

9 **Q. By whom are you employed and what is your position?**

10 A. I am employed by Florida Power and Light Company (“FPL”) as Senior Director
11 of Wholesale Operations in the Energy Marketing and Trading Division.

12 **Q. Have you previously testified in this docket?**

13 A. Yes.

14 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

15 A. The purpose of my testimony is to present the 2020 results of FPL’s activities
16 under the Asset Optimization Program Incentive Mechanism that was originally
17 approved by Order No. PSC-13-0023-S-EI, dated January 14, 2013, in Docket
18 No. 120015-EI and approved for continuation, with certain modifications, by
19 Order No. PSC-16-0560-AS-EI, dated December 15, 2016, in Docket No.
20 160021-EI.

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1 **Q. Have you prepared or caused to be prepared under your supervision,**
2 **direction and control any exhibits in this proceeding?**

3 A. Yes, I am sponsoring the following exhibits:

- 4 • GJY-1, consisting of 4 pages:
- 5 ▪ Page 1 – Total Gains Schedule
 - 6 ▪ Page 2 – Wholesale Power Detail
 - 7 ▪ Page 3 – Asset Optimization Detail
 - 8 ▪ Page 4 – Incremental Optimization Costs

9 **Q. Please provide an overview of the Incentive Mechanism.**

10 A. The Incentive Mechanism is an expanded optimization program that is designed
11 to create additional value for FPL's customers while also providing an incentive
12 to FPL if certain customer-value thresholds are achieved. The Incentive
13 Mechanism includes gains from wholesale power sales and savings from
14 wholesale power purchases, as well as gains from other forms of asset
15 optimization. These other forms of asset optimization include, but are not limited
16 to, natural gas storage optimization, natural gas sales, capacity releases of natural
17 gas transportation, capacity releases of electric transmission and potentially
18 capturing additional value from a third party in the form of an Asset Management
19 Agreement.

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1 **Q. Please describe the modifications that were made to the Incentive**
2 **Mechanism in FPL's 2016 rate case and approved by Order No. PSC-16-**
3 **0560-AS-EI.**

4 A. There were two specific modifications made to the Incentive Mechanism in
5 FPL's 2016 rate case. First, the sharing threshold was reduced from \$46 million
6 to \$40 million. The sharing intervals and percentages remained unchanged from
7 the original Incentive Mechanism. Under the modified Incentive Mechanism,
8 customers continue to receive 100% of the gains up to the new sharing threshold
9 of \$40 million. Incremental gains above \$40 million continue to be shared
10 between FPL and customers as follows: customers receive 40% and FPL
11 receives 60% of the incremental gains between \$40 million and \$100 million;
12 and customers receive 50% and FPL receives 50% of all incremental gains above
13 \$100 million.

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15 The second modification that was made to the Incentive Mechanism involved
16 variable power plant O&M costs. Under the original Incentive Mechanism, FPL
17 was allowed to recover variable power plant O&M costs incurred to make
18 wholesale sales above 514,000 MWh (the level of wholesale sales that were
19 assumed in forecasting FPL's 2013 test year power plant O&M costs in the MFRs
20 filed in FPL's 2012 rate case). Under the modified Incentive Mechanism, FPL
21 nets economy sales and purchases and recovers the net amount of variable power
22 plant O&M incurred during the year. For example, if economy purchases are
23 greater than economy sales, customers receive a credit for the net variable power

1 plant O&M that has been saved during the year. The per-MWh variable power
2 plant O&M rate that FPL uses to calculate these costs, as described in FPL's 2017
3 Test Year MFRs filed with the 2016 Rate Petition is \$0.65/MWh. FPL continues
4 to be allowed to recover reasonable and prudent incremental O&M costs incurred
5 in implementing the expanded optimization program under the Incentive
6 Mechanism, including incremental personnel, software and associated hardware
7 costs.

8 **Q. Please summarize the activities and results of the Incentive Mechanism for**
9 **2020.**

10 A. FPL's activities under the Incentive Mechanism in 2020 delivered \$46,135,050
11 in total gains. During 2020, FPL's activities under the Incentive Mechanism
12 included wholesale power purchases and sales, natural gas sales in the market
13 and production areas, gas storage utilization, and the capacity release of firm
14 natural gas transportation. Additionally, FPL entered into several Asset
15 Management Agreements related to a small portion of upstream gas
16 transportation during 2020. The total gains of \$46,135,050 exceeded the sharing
17 threshold of \$40 million. Therefore, the incremental gains above \$40 million will
18 be shared between customers and FPL, 40% and 60%, respectively. Exhibit
19 GJY-1, Page 1, shows monthly gain totals, threshold levels and the final gains
20 allocation for 2020.

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1 **Q. Please provide the details of FPL's wholesale power activities under the**
2 **Incentive Mechanism for 2020.**

3 A. The details of FPL's 2020 wholesale power sales and purchases are shown
4 separately on Page 2 of Exhibit GJY-1. FPL had gains of \$25,419,391 on
5 wholesale sales and savings of \$2,740,526 on wholesale purchases for the year.

6 **Q. Please provide the details of FPL's asset optimization activities under the**
7 **Incentive Mechanism for 2020.**

8 A. The details of FPL's 2020 asset optimization activities are shown on Page 3 of
9 Exhibit GJY-1. FPL had a total of \$17,975,132 of gains that were the result of
10 seven different forms of asset optimization.

11 **Q. Did FPL incur incremental O&M expenses related to the operation of the**
12 **Incentive Mechanism in 2020?**

13 A. Yes. FPL incurred personnel expenses of \$480,859 related to the costs associated
14 with an additional two and one-half personnel required to support FPL's
15 expanded activities under the Incentive Mechanism. FPL also incurred \$31,467
16 in expenses related to licensing fees of OATI WebTrader software. In total, FPL
17 incurred incremental O&M expenses related to the operation of the Incentive
18 Mechanism of \$512,326 in 2020.

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20 On the variable power plant O&M side, FPL's actual net economy power sales
21 and purchases totaled 2,552,979 MWh (2,811,241 MWh of economy sales and
22 258,262 MWh of economy purchases), resulting in net variable power plant
23 O&M costs of \$1,659,436 for 2020.

1 **Q. Overall, were FPL's activities under the Incentive Mechanism successful in**
2 **2020?**

3 A. Yes. FPL's activities under the Incentive Mechanism were highly successful in
4 2020. On the wholesale power side, suitable market conditions in the winter
5 period helped drive strong wholesale power sales and high demand across the
6 summer period provided the opportunity to purchase power from the market to
7 avoid running more expensive generation. Overall, FPL was able to consistently
8 capitalize on power market opportunities throughout the year to deliver slightly
9 more than \$28 million in customer benefits. Market opportunities for asset
10 optimization activities related to natural gas were fairly consistent throughout the
11 year (peaking in November and December) and resulted in significant customer
12 benefits of nearly \$18 million. In total, these activities delivered \$46,135,050 of
13 gains, which contrast very favorably to the total optimization expenses (personnel
14 and variable power plant O&M) of \$2,171,762.

15 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

16 A. Yes it does.

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Fuel and Purchase Power Cost Recovery Clause
and Generating Performance Incentive Factor

Docket No. 20210001-EI

Filed: October 27, 2021

ERRATA SHEET**SEPTEMBER 3, 2021 TESTIMONY OF GERARD J. YUPP**

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1 **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**
2 **FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY**
3 **TESTIMONY OF GERARD J. YUPP**
4 **DOCKET NO. 20210001-EI**
5 **SEPTEMBER 3, 2021**

6 **Q. Please state your name and address.**

7 A. My name is Gerard J. Yupp. My business address is 700 Universe Boulevard,
8 Juno Beach, Florida, 33408.

9 **Q. By whom are you employed and what is your position?**

10 A. I am employed by Florida Power and Light Company (“FPL”) as Senior Director
11 of Wholesale Operations in the Energy Marketing and Trading Division.

12 **Q. Have you previously testified in this docket?**

13 A. Yes.

14 **Q. Have you prepared or caused to be prepared under your supervision,
15 direction and control any exhibits or schedules in this proceeding?**

16 A. Yes, I am sponsoring the following exhibits and schedules:

- 17 • GJY-3: Appendix I;
- 18 • Schedules E3 through E9 of Appendix II included in Renae Deaton’s
19 Exhibit RBD-5;
- 20 • Schedules E3 through E5 of Appendix III-A included in Exhibit RBD-6;
- 21 • Schedules E3 through E5 and E9 of Appendix III-B, included in Exhibit
22 RBD-6; and

1 I am co-sponsoring:

- 2 • Schedule E2 and H1 of Appendix II included in Exhibit RBD-5

3 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

4 A. The purpose of my testimony is to present and explain FPL's projections for (1)
5 the dispatch costs of light fuel oil, coal and natural gas; (2) the availability of
6 natural gas to FPL; (3) generating unit heat rates and availabilities; and (4) the
7 quantities and costs of wholesale (off-system) power sales and purchased power
8 transactions. Additionally, my testimony addresses the Incentive Mechanism
9 results for 2020 and the Incremental Optimization Costs included in FPL's 2022
10 Projection Filing pursuant to the Incentive Mechanism that was approved in
11 Order No. PSC-16-0560-AS-EI dated December 15, 2016 ("2016 Base Rate
12 Settlement Agreement") and proposed as an on-going program in the
13 Stipulation and Settlement Agreement filed in FPL's rate case Docket No.
14 20210015-EI on August 10, 2021.

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16 **CONSOLIDATION OF FUEL AND POWER COST PROJECTIONS**

17 **Q. Does FPL's 2022 Fuel Projection Filing incorporate the consolidation of fuel**
18 **and power costs for both FPL and the former Gulf Power Company**
19 **("Gulf")?**

20 A. Yes. The costs reflected in this filing represent the consolidation of the FPL and
21 Gulf systems.

22 **Q. How will you refer to FPL and Gulf in your testimony?**

23 A. All references to FPL in my testimony are meant to represent the consolidated

1 company unless otherwise noted. I utilize the term Gulf only when necessary to
2 distinguish certain information related to the time period during which the former
3 Gulf system operates as part of the Southern Company System Intercompany
4 Interchange Contract (“IIC” or “Southern Pool”).

5 **Q. Please describe how Gulf’s participation in and exit from the Southern Pool**
6 **is reflected in FPL’s 2022 Fuel Projection Filing.**

7 A. FPL’s 2022 Fuel Projection Filing contemplates that Gulf will continue as a
8 member of the Southern Pool through June 2022 and will exit from the IIC
9 starting on July 1, 2021. This date coincides with the projected in-service date of
10 the North Florida Resiliency Connection (“NFRC”). The NFRC is a new
11 transmission line that is being constructed to enhance the existing electrical
12 connection between the two systems and to provide operational benefits by
13 allowing for the joint dispatch of the FPL and Gulf systems.

14 **Q. Please further elaborate on how FPL included Gulf in its 2022 Projection**
15 **Filing.**

16 A. FPL’s 2022 fuel projections are comprised of two distinct periods. First, for the
17 January through June 2022 period, the projected fuel costs for Gulf were
18 estimated by Southern Company and represent Gulf’s projected costs as a
19 member of the Southern Pool. FPL’s fuel cost projections for this same period
20 were developed on a stand-alone basis. For the July through December 2022
21 period, the projections represent estimated fuel and power costs for a consolidated
22 system that is jointly dispatched after the NFRC goes into service.

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1 **FUEL PRICE FORECAST**

2 **Q. What forecast methodologies has FPL used for the 2022 recovery period?**

3 A. For natural gas commodity prices, the forecast methodology relies upon the
4 NYMEX Natural Gas Futures contract prices (forward curve). For light fuel oil
5 prices, FPL utilizes Over-The-Counter (“OTC”) forward market prices.
6 Projections for the price of coal are based on actual coal purchases and price
7 forecasts developed by J.D. Energy. Forecasts for the availability of natural gas
8 are developed internally at FPL and are based on contractual commitments and
9 market experience. The forward curves for both natural gas and light fuel oil
10 represent expected future prices at a given point in time. The basic assumption
11 made with respect to using the forward curves is that all available data that could
12 impact the price of natural gas and light fuel oil in the short-term is incorporated
13 into the curves at all times. FPL utilized forward curve prices from the close of
14 business on August 2, 2021 for calculating its 2022 Fuel Cost Recovery (“FCR”)
15 Clause factors. This forecast methodology and the resulting fuel forecast was
16 utilized to develop cost projections for FPL as a stand-alone system during the
17 January 2022 through June 2022 time period and for FPL and Gulf during the
18 consolidated period of July 2022 through December 2022.

19 **Q. Has FPL used these same forecasting methodologies previously?**

20 A. Yes. FPL began using the NYMEX Natural Gas Futures contract prices (forward
21 curve) and OTC forward market prices in 2004 for its 2005 projections and has
22 used this methodology consistently since that time.

1 **Q. Did Southern Company utilize the same forward curve date in its fuel**
2 **forecast to develop Gulf's cost projections as a member of the Southern Pool**
3 **during the January 2022 through June 2022 period?**

4 A. Yes. In an effort to synchronize cost projections for the period during which Gulf
5 is dispatched as part of the Southern Pool, Southern Company also utilized
6 underlying forward curve prices from the close of business on August 2, 2021 in
7 its fuel forecast.

8 **Q. Were forward curve prices from the close of business on August 2, 2021 also**
9 **utilized to update cost projections for FPL and Gulf for the August through**
10 **December 2021 period?**

11 A. Yes. The revised 2021 Actual/Estimated true-up amounts for FPL and Gulf for
12 the August through December 2021 period, as described in the testimony of FPL
13 witness Renae B. Deaton, were calculated based on underlying forward curve
14 prices from the close of business on August 2, 2021.

15 **Q. What are the factors that can affect FPL's natural gas prices during the**
16 **January through December 2022 period?**

17 A. In general, the key physical factors are (1) North American natural gas demand
18 and domestic production; (2) the level of working gas in underground storage
19 throughout the period; (3) weather (particularly in the winter period); (4) the
20 potential for imports and/or exports of natural gas; and (5) the terms of FPL's
21 natural gas supply and transportation contracts.

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1 In its August 2021 Short-Term Energy Outlook, the Energy Information
2 Administration (“EIA”) forecasts Henry Hub natural gas spot prices will average
3 approximately \$3.71 per MMBtu in the third quarter of 2021 and \$3.42 per
4 MMBtu for all of 2021. Higher natural gas prices in 2021 reflect growth in
5 liquefied natural gas exports and rising consumption for sectors other than
6 electric power. The EIA forecasts that Henry Hub spot prices will average \$3.08
7 per MMBtu in 2022, amid rising U.S. natural gas production. U.S. dry natural
8 gas production is estimated to increase from a forecasted average of 92.2 billion
9 cubic feet (“BCF”) /day in 2021 to 94.9 BCF/day in 2022.

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11 Natural gas consumption is forecast to decrease by approximately 1% in 2021
12 (compared to 2020 levels). For 2021, the decrease in natural gas consumption
13 occurs, in part, due to natural gas to coal switching in the electric power sector as
14 a result of rising gas prices. Overall, natural gas consumption in 2022 is projected
15 to increase compared to 2021 consumption levels. Natural gas storage levels
16 ended July 2021 at roughly 2.8 trillion cubic feet, or 6% lower than the five-year
17 average. Natural gas storage levels are expected to reach approximately 3.6
18 trillion cubic feet at the end of October 2021, or 4% below the five-year average.

19 **Q. Please describe FPL’s natural gas transportation portfolio for the January
20 through December 2022 period.**

21 A. FPL utilizes the Florida Gas Transmission Company, LLC (“FGT”), Gulfstream
22 Natural Gas System, LLC (“Gulfstream”), Sabal Trail Transmission, LLC
23 (“Sabal Trail”), Florida Southeast Connection, LLC (“FSC”), and Gulf South

1 Pipeline Company, LP (“Gulf South”) pipelines to deliver natural gas to its
2 generation facilities. FPL’s total firm transportation capacity ranges from
3 1,237,000 to 1,361,000 MMBtu/day on FGT, 695,000 MMBtu/day on
4 Gulfstream, 600,000 MMBtu/day on Sabal Trail/FSC, and 30,000 MMBtu/day
5 on Gulf South. Additionally, FPL projects that during the January through
6 December 2022 period, varying levels of non-firm natural gas transportation
7 capacity will be available, depending on the month.

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9 FPL also has firm transportation capacity on several upstream pipelines that
10 provide FPL access to on-shore gas supply. FPL has 80,000 MMBtu/day
11 (January through March) and 180,000 MMBtu/day (April through December) of
12 firm transport on the Southeast Supply Header (“SESH”) pipeline, 121,500
13 MMBtu/day of firm transport on the Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Company,
14 LLC (“Transco”) Zone 4A lateral, and 329,000 MMBtu/day (January through
15 March), 444,000 MMBtu/day (April), 345,000 MMBtu/day (May through
16 October), and 200,000 MMBtu/day (November through December) of firm
17 transport on the Gulf South pipeline. FPL’s firm transportation rights on these
18 pipelines provide access for up to 646,500 MMBtu/day during the summer
19 season of on-shore natural gas supply, which helps diversify FPL’s natural gas
20 portfolio and enhance the reliability of fuel supply.

21 **Q. Please describe FPL’s natural gas storage position.**

22 A. FPL currently holds 4.0 BCF of firm natural gas storage capacity in Bay Gas
23 Storage (“Bay Gas”), located in southwest Alabama and 1.0 BCF of firm natural

1 gas storage capacity in Southern Pines Energy Center (“Southern Pines”), located
2 in southeast Mississippi. The current contract with Southern Pines is set to expire
3 March 31, 2022. As part of its Fuel Policy requirements as a member of the
4 Southern Pool, Gulf currently holds firm natural gas storage capacity in Bay Gas
5 (0.58 BCF), Leaf River Energy Center (0.85 BCF), and Petal Gas Storage (0.50
6 BCF). Southern Company will retain this storage capacity upon Gulf’s exit from
7 the Southern Pool and FPL is currently evaluating its future storage requirements
8 for the consolidated company.

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10 While the acquisition of upstream transportation capacity has helped mitigate a
11 large portion of risk associated with off-shore natural gas supply, natural gas
12 storage capacity remains an important part of FPL’s gas portfolio. As FPL’s
13 reliance on natural gas has increased, the importance of natural gas storage in
14 helping balance consumption “swings” due to weather and unit availability has
15 also increased. Storage capacity improves reliability by providing a relatively
16 inexpensive insurance policy against supply and infrastructure problems while
17 also increasing FPL’s ability to manage supply and demand on a daily basis.

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19 FPL continually evaluates its natural gas storage portfolio and will make
20 adjustments as required to maintain reliability, provide the necessary flexibility
21 to respond to demand changes, and to diversify its overall portfolio.

1 **Q. What are FPL’s projections for the dispatch cost and availability of natural**
2 **gas for the January through December 2022 period?**

3 A. FPL’s projections of the system average dispatch cost and availability of natural
4 gas, by transport type, by pipeline and by month, are provided on page 3 of
5 Appendix I.

6 **Q. Please describe FPL’s utilization of light fuel oil.**

7 A. FPL primarily utilizes light fuel oil (or ultra low sulfur diesel, “ULSD”) as a back-
8 up fuel in its natural gas-fired generation units. FPL’s light fuel oil system is
9 comprised of nearly 1.6 million barrels of storage that provides an average of 83
10 hours of full load operation across the fleet of dual-fired units. FPL’s light fuel
11 oil system offers substantial flexibility through varying tank sizes, resupply
12 options, and through varying locations and proximity to supply sources.

13 **Q. Please provide FPL’s projection for the dispatch cost of light fuel oil for the**
14 **January through December 2022 period.**

15 A. FPL’s projection for the system average dispatch cost of light fuel oil, by month,
16 is provided on page 3 of Appendix I.

17 **Q. What is the basis for FPL’s projections of the dispatch cost of coal for Plant**
18 **Scherer and Plant Daniel?**

19 A. FPL’s projected dispatch costs are based on FPL’s price projection for spot coal
20 delivered to the plant.

1 **Q. Please provide FPL’s projection for the dispatch cost of coal at Plant Scherer**
2 **and Plant Daniel for the January through December 2022 period.**

3 A. FPL’s projection for the system average dispatch cost of coal for this period, by
4 month, is shown on page 3 of Appendix I.

5 **Q. Do the fuel costs reflected on Schedule E3 for light oil and coal differ from**
6 **the dispatch costs shown on page 3 of Appendix I?**

7 A. Yes. FPL maintains inventories of those fuels and runs its plants out of that
8 inventory. The dispatch costs reflect what FPL would pay to replace fuel that is
9 removed from inventory to run the plants. On the other hand, the “charge out”
10 costs for light oil and coal that are reflected on Schedule E3 are based on FPL’s
11 weighted average inventory cost, by month, for each fuel type.

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13 **PLANT HEAT RATES, OUTAGE FACTORS, PLANNED OUTAGES,**
14 **AND CHANGES IN GENERATING CAPACITY**

15 **Q. Please describe how FPL developed the projected Average Net Heat Rates**
16 **shown on Schedule E4 of Appendix II.**

17 A. The projected Average Net Heat Rates were calculated by the GenTrader model
18 (Southern Company model for Gulf from January 2022 through June 2022). The
19 current heat rate equations and efficiency factors for FPL’s generating units,
20 which present heat rate as a function of unit power level, were used as inputs to
21 GenTrader (Southern Company model for Gulf from January 2022 through June
22 2022) for this calculation. The heat rate equations and efficiency factors are
23 updated as appropriate based on historical unit performance and projected

1 changes due to plant upgrades, fuel grade changes, and/or from the results of
2 performance tests.

3 **Q. Are you providing the outage factors projected for the period January**
4 **through December 2022?**

5 A. Yes. This data is shown on page 4 of Appendix I.

6 **Q. How were the outage factors for this period developed?**

7 A. The unplanned outage factors were developed using the actual historical full and
8 partial outage event data for each of the units. The historical unplanned outage
9 factor of each generating unit was adjusted, as necessary, to eliminate non-
10 recurring events and recognize the effect of planned outages to arrive at the
11 projected factor for the period January through December 2022.

12 **Q. Please describe the significant planned outages for the January through**
13 **December 2022 period.**

14 A. Planned outages at FPL's nuclear units are the most significant in relation to fuel
15 cost recovery. Turkey Point Unit 4 is scheduled to be out of service from March
16 12, 2022 until April 10, 2022, or 29 days during the period. St. Lucie Unit 1 is
17 scheduled to be out of service from September 3, 2022 until October 3, 2022, or
18 30 days during the period.

19 **Q. Please identify any changes to FPL's fossil generation capacity projected to**
20 **take place during the January through December 2022 period.**

21 A. As shown in FPL's 2021 Ten Year Power Plant Site Plan (Table ES-1, page 16),
22 FPL projects a net increase in its 2022 summer firm capacity of 678 MW. This
23 increase is attributable to the addition of 469 MW of battery storage, 316 MW of

1 solar generation, 1,163 MW of combined cycle generation, 938 MW of simple
2 cycle CTs, and 58 MW of combined cycle upgrades. The additions are off-set
3 by the retirement of Manatee Units 1 and 2 (1,626 MW), Scherer 4 (634 MW),
4 and solar degradation (6 MW).

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6 **WHOLESALE (OFF-SYSTEM) POWER AND PURCHASED POWER**

7 **TRANSACTIONS**

8 **Q. Are you providing the projected wholesale (off-system) power sales and**
9 **purchased power transactions forecasted for January through December**
10 **2022?**

11 A. Yes. This data is shown on Schedules E6, E7, E8, and E9 of Appendix II of this
12 filing.

13 **Q. In what types of wholesale (off-system) power transactions does FPL**
14 **engage?**

15 A. FPL purchases power from the wholesale market when it can displace higher cost
16 generation with lower cost power from the market. FPL will also sell excess
17 power into the market when its cost of generation is lower than the market. FPL's
18 customers benefit from both purchases and sales as savings on purchases and
19 gains on sales are credited to customers through the FCRC clause. Power
20 purchases and sales are executed under specific tariffs that allow FPL to transact
21 with a given entity. Although FPL primarily transacts on a short-term basis
22 (hourly and daily transactions), FPL continuously searches for all opportunities
23 to lower fuel costs through purchasing and selling wholesale power, regardless

1 of the duration of the transaction.

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3 Gulf is forecasted to have Associated Interchange Energy (“Associated
4 Interchange”) purchases and sales during the January 2022 through June 2022
5 period while it remains a member of the Southern Pool. Associated Interchange
6 represents energy transfers that occur between Southern Pool members as a result
7 of centralized integrated system economic dispatch. The Associated Interchange
8 Energy Rate, as determined for each hour, is based on the variable dispatch cost
9 of the incremental resource(s) that serve the collective obligations of the Southern
10 Pool members. A Southern Pool member supplying Associated Interchange
11 receives a payment that is determined by multiplying the Associated Interchange
12 Energy Rate by the megawatt hours sold to the Southern Pool each hour. A
13 Southern Pool member receiving Associated Interchange is charged an amount
14 that is determined by multiplying the Associated Interchange Energy Rate by the
15 megawatt hours purchased from the Southern Pool each hour.

16 **Q. Please describe the method used to forecast wholesale (off-system) power**
17 **purchases and sales and Associated Interchange purchases and sales.**

18 A. Wholesale (off-system) power purchases and sales are projected based upon
19 estimated generation costs, generation availability, fuel availability, expected
20 market conditions and historical data. The projections for Associated Interchange
21 purchases and sales are a direct output of the model used by Southern Company
22 to simulate the integrated economic dispatch of the Southern Pool.

1 **Q. What are the forecasted amounts and costs of wholesale (off-system) power**
2 **sales and Associated Interchange sales?**

3 A. FPL has projected 2,434,468 MWh of wholesale (off-system) power sales for the
4 period of January through December 2022. The projected fuel cost related to
5 these sales is \$59,976,726. The projected transaction revenue from these sales is
6 \$88,199,148. After taking into account the transmission costs, the projected gain
7 is \$22,704,934. Associated Interchange sales are projected to be 2,853,251 MWh
8 with related fuel costs of \$72,251,139.

9 **Q. In what document are the fuel costs for wholesale (off-system) power sales**
10 **and Associated Interchange transactions reported?**

11 A. Schedule E6 of Appendix II provides the total MWh of energy, total dollars for
12 fuel adjustment, total cost and total gain for wholesale (off-system) power sales
13 as well as the total MWh of energy and total dollars for fuel adjustment of
14 Associated Interchange sales.

15 **Q. What are the forecasted amounts and costs of wholesale (off-system) power**
16 **purchases and Associated Interchange purchases for the January to**
17 **December 2022 period?**

18 A. The costs of these economy purchases and Associated Interchange purchases are
19 shown on Schedule E9 of Appendix II. For the period, FPL projects it will
20 purchase a total of 467,567 MWh at a cost of \$12,323,306. If FPL generated this
21 energy, FPL estimates that it would cost \$14,275,577. Therefore, these purchases
22 are projected to result in savings of \$1,952,271. Associated Interchange
23 purchases are projected to be 71,789 MWh at a cost of \$2,012,972.

1 **Q. Does FPL have additional agreements for the purchase of electric power and**
2 **energy that are included in your projections?**

3 A. Yes. FPL purchases energy under two contracts with the Solid Waste Authority
4 of Palm Beach County (“SWA”). FPL also projects to purchase energy from the
5 Central Alabama Generating Station (“Central Alabama”) under a Power
6 Purchase Agreement with Shell Energy North America (“Shell PPA”) and under
7 two wind energy purchase agreements (“Kingfisher I” and “Kingfisher II”) with
8 Morgan Stanley Capital Group. In addition, FPL contracts to purchase and sell
9 nuclear energy under the St. Lucie Plant Nuclear Reliability Exchange
10 Agreements with Orlando Utilities Commission (“OUC”) and Florida Municipal
11 Power Agency. Lastly, FPL purchases energy and capacity from Qualifying
12 Facilities and “as-available” energy from a number of cogeneration and small
13 power production facilities under existing tariffs and contracts, including solar
14 energy purchases under agreements with three solar facilities located in
15 Northwest Florida.

16 **Q. Please provide the projected energy costs to be recovered through the FCR**
17 **Clause for the power purchases referred to above during the January**
18 **through December 2022 period.**

19 A. Energy purchases under the SWA agreements are projected to be 892,980 MWh
20 for the period at an energy cost of \$30,388,548. FPL projects to purchase
21 4,372,775 MWh at an energy cost of \$133,732,287 under the Shell PPA from
22 Central Alabama and 1,031,280 MWh at an energy cost of \$46,850,888 from
23 Kingfisher I and Kingfisher II combined. FPL’s cost for energy purchases under

1 the St. Lucie Plant Reliability Exchange Agreements is a function of the operation
2 of St. Lucie Unit 2 and the fuel costs to the owners. For the period, FPL projects
3 purchases of 633,858 MWh at a cost of \$2,926,719. These projections are shown
4 on Schedule E7 of Appendix II.

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6 In addition, as shown on Schedule E8 of Appendix II, FPL projects that purchases
7 from Qualifying Facilities for the period will provide 685,635 MWh at a cost of
8 \$24,793,908.

9 **Q. How does FPL develop the projected energy costs related to purchases from**
10 **Qualifying Facilities?**

11 A. For those contracts that entitle FPL to purchase “as-available” energy at FPL’s
12 avoided energy cost, FPL used its fuel price forecasts as inputs to the GenTrader
13 model to project the avoided energy cost that is used to set the price of these
14 energy purchases each month. For those contracts that are not based on FPL’s
15 avoided energy cost (firm capacity and energy and “as-available” energy), the
16 applicable Unit Energy Cost mechanisms prescribed in the contracts are used to
17 project monthly energy costs.

18 **Q. What are the forecasted amounts and cost of energy being sold under the St.**
19 **Lucie Plant Reliability Exchange Agreement?**

20 A. FPL projects to sell 578,523 MWh of energy at a cost of \$2,996,664. These
21 projections are shown on Schedule E6 of Appendix II.

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1 **HEDGING/ RISK MANAGEMENT PLAN**

2 **Q. Has FPL filed a Hedging Activity Final True-Up Report for 2020, consistent**
3 **with the Hedging Order Clarification Guidelines, as required by Order No.**
4 **PSC-08-0667-PAA-EI issued on October 8, 2008?**

5 A. No. Pursuant to Paragraph 16 of the 2016 Base Rate Settlement Agreement,
6 FPL's fuel hedging program is under a moratorium. Therefore, FPL had no
7 hedging activity to report for 2020.

8 **Q. Has FPL filed a comprehensive risk management plan for 2022, consistent**
9 **with the Hedging Order Clarification Guidelines as required by Order No.**
10 **PSC-08-0667-PAA-EI issued on October 8, 2008?**

11 A. Yes. FPL has filed a comprehensive risk management plan for 2022.

12 **Q. Will FPL's proposed 2022 risk management plan change if the Commission**
13 **approves the Stipulation and Settlement Agreement filed in FPL's rate**
14 **case Docket No. 20210015-EI on August 10, 2021?**

15 A. Yes, pursuant to the terms of that proposed Stipulation and Settlement
16 Agreement, if it is approved, FPL will terminate natural gas financial hedging
17 during the term of the Agreement, which includes 2022. FPL would make a filing
18 to implement that termination following approval of the Stipulation and
19 Settlement Agreement, if that occurs.

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1 **THE INCENTIVE MECHANISM**

2 **Q. What were the results of FPL's asset optimization activities under the**
3 **Incentive Mechanism in 2020?**

4 A. FPL's asset optimization activities in 2020 delivered total benefits of
5 \$46,135,050. The total gains exceeded the sharing threshold of \$40 million and,
6 therefore, the gains above \$40 million will be shared between customers and FPL
7 on a 40%/60% basis, respectively. In total, customers will receive \$42,109,564
8 (net of FPL's share of the gain above the \$40 million threshold, and after
9 incremental personnel, software, and hardware expenses are removed), and FPL
10 will receive \$3,681,030. FPL's share of the gain is included for recovery in FPL's
11 2022 FCR Clause factors.

12 **Q. Did the Incentive Mechanism allow FPL to deliver greater value to**
13 **customers in 2020?**

14 A. Yes. I have compared how customers would have fared under the prior
15 wholesale-sales sharing mechanism with the results FPL has achieved under the
16 Incentive Mechanism. For the purpose of this comparison, I have included the
17 same savings of approximately \$29.99 million from optimization activities for
18 power sales, power purchases and releases of electric transmission capacity under
19 both mechanisms, as FPL was engaging in those activities prior to the
20 Commission's approval of the Incentive Mechanism. For those savings, the
21 previous sharing mechanism would have yielded net benefits to FPL's customers
22 of \$29.76 million, while FPL would have received \$0.23 million in benefits
23 because the three-year rolling average threshold for wholesale sales would have

1 been exceeded.

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3 In contrast, under the Incentive Mechanism, FPL also is incented to pursue
4 beneficial natural gas transportation, storage and trading activities. These
5 activities generated slightly more than \$17.98 million of additional savings in
6 2020. When one takes into account these additional savings, less FPL's recovery
7 of incremental optimization costs, the result is that FPL's customers received
8 slightly more than \$42.11 million of savings under the Incentive Mechanism.
9 This is \$12.35 million more than customers would have received if the prior
10 sharing mechanism were still in effect, clear proof that the Incentive Mechanism
11 is working to deliver added value for customers as FPL and the Commission
12 envisioned when it was approved.

13 **Q. Has FPL included in its 2022 FCR factors, projections of the savings that it**
14 **will achieve under the Incentive Mechanism?**

15 A. Yes. FPL has included projections for savings on wholesale power purchases
16 (Schedule E9), projections for gains on wholesale power sales (Schedule E6), and
17 projections for other types of asset optimization measures (Schedule E3) for
18 2022.

19 **Q. Has FPL included in its 2022 FCR factors, projections of the Incremental**
20 **Optimization Costs that it will incur under the Incentive Mechanism?**

21 A. Yes. FPL has included in its 2022 FCR factors, Incremental Optimization Costs
22 from two categories: (i) incremental personnel, software and hardware costs
23 associated with managing the various asset optimization activities, and (ii)

1 variable power plant O&M (“VOM”) costs associated with wholesale economy
2 sales and purchases.

3 **Q. Please describe the costs that are included in FPL’s projections for**
4 **incremental personnel, software and hardware expenses.**

5 A. FPL projects to incur incremental expenses of \$444,343 in 2022 for the salaries
6 and expenses related to employees who were added in 2013 to support the
7 Incentive Mechanism.

8 **Q. Please describe the costs that are included in FPL’s projections for VOM**
9 **expenses.**

10 A. FPL has included for recovery in its 2022 FCR factors, VOM expenses that
11 reflect the netting of economy sales and purchases. As shown on Schedules E6
12 and E9 of Appendix II, FPL projects to sell 2,434,468 MWh and purchase
13 467,567 MWh of economy power. Therefore, applying FPL’s VOM rate of
14 \$0.48/MWh, FPL projects to incur VOM expenses of \$1,168,545 associated with
15 its economy sales and to avoid (\$224,432) with its economy purchases. FPL has
16 included for recovery the net of these two figures, \$944,113 (Schedule E2, Sum
17 of Line Nos. 14 and 15), in its 2022 FCR factors.

18 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

19 A. Yes it does.

1 (Whereupon, prefiled direct testimony of Dean
2 Curtland was inserted.)

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1 **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**
2 **FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY**
3 **TESTIMONY OF DEAN CURTLAND**
4 **DOCKET NO. 20210001-EI**
5 **SEPTEMBER 3, 2021**

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7 **Q. Please state your name and address.**

8 A. My name is Dean Curtland. My business address is 15430 Endeavor Drive,
9 Jupiter, FL 33478.

10 **Q. By whom are you employed and what is your position?**

11 A. I am employed by Florida Power & Light Company (“FPL”) as Vice President,
12 Nuclear.

13 **Q. Please describe your duties and responsibilities.**

14 A. I am responsible for the Nuclear fleet functional areas of Engineering,
15 Operations, Maintenance, Chemistry, Radiation Protection, Regulatory Affairs,
16 Security, Training, Outages and Projects.

17 **Q. Please describe your educational background and business experience in the**
18 **nuclear industry.**

19 A. I hold a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering from Purdue
20 University. I also held a Senior Reactor Operator license from the Nuclear
21 Regulatory Commission at Duane Arnold for thirteen years, and I completed the
22 Institute of Nuclear Power Senior Plant Management Course.

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1 I have spent over 36 years in the nuclear industry, beginning at Duane Arnold
2 Energy Center as Operations Director. I held numerous positions of increasing
3 responsibility including Training Manager, Engineering Director and Plant General
4 Manager. I was also the General Manager of Fleet Engineering for the NextEra
5 nuclear fleet and the Site Vice President of NextEra Energy's Seabrook and Duane
6 Arnold Nuclear Plants before serving in my current role as Vice President, Nuclear.

7 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

8 A. My testimony presents and explains FPL's projections of nuclear fuel costs for the
9 thermal energy to be produced by our nuclear units measured in Million British
10 Thermal Units ("MMBtu"). Nuclear fuel costs were input values to the GenTrader
11 model that is used to calculate the costs included in the proposed fuel cost recovery
12 factors for the period January 2022 through December 2022. I am also supporting
13 FPL's projected 2022 incremental plant security and Fukushima-related costs.

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15 **Nuclear Fuel Costs**

16 **Q. What is the basis for FPL's projections of nuclear fuel costs?**

17 A. FPL's nuclear fuel cost projections are developed using projected energy
18 production at its nuclear units and current operating schedules, for the period
19 January 2022 through December 2022.

20 **Q. Please provide FPL's projection for nuclear fuel unit costs and energy for the
21 period January 2022 through December 2022.**

22 A. FPL projects the nuclear units will burn 305,036,436 MMBtu of energy at a cost
23 of \$0.4837 per MMBtu for the period January 2022 through December 2022.

24 Projections by nuclear unit and by month are listed in Appendix II, on Schedule E-

1 4, starting on page 17, which is attached as an exhibit to FPL witness Deaton's
2 testimony.

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4 **Nuclear Plant Incremental Security Costs**

5 **Q. What is FPL's projection of incremental security costs at its nuclear power
6 plants for the period January 2022 through December 2022?**

7 A. FPL projects that it will incur \$34.2 million in incremental nuclear power plant
8 security costs in 2022. The costs consist of \$7.0 million of capital investment and
9 \$27.2 million of O&M expenses.

10 **Q. Please provide a brief description of the items included in incremental nuclear
11 power plant security costs.**

12 A. The projection includes the costs incurred in maintaining a security force as a result
13 of implementing the NRC's fitness-for-duty rule under 10 CFR Part 26, which
14 strictly limits the number of hours that nuclear security personnel may work;
15 additional personnel training; maintenance of the physical upgrades resulting from
16 implementing the NRC's physical security rule under 10 CFR Part 73; and
17 implementation of the NRC's cyber security rule under 10 CFR Part 73. It also
18 includes force-on-force modifications at the St. Lucie and Turkey Point nuclear
19 sites to effectively mitigate adversary tactics and capabilities employed by the
20 NRC's Composite Adversary Force, as required by NRC inspection procedures.

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22 **Fukushima-Related Costs**

23 **Q. What is FPL's projection of Fukushima-related costs at its nuclear power
24 plants for the period January 2022 through December 2022?**

1 A. FPL's current projection of Fukushima-related costs for 2022 is approximately
2 \$0.8 million of O&M expenses.

3 **Q. Please provide a brief description of the items included in this projection of**
4 **Fukushima-related costs.**

5 A. The projection includes FPL's share of costs incurred for equipment, storage,
6 and transportation, to support the shared Regional Response Centers (a
7 warehouse of off-site portable equipment shared by the industry).

8 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

9 A. Yes, it does.

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2 Charles R. Rote was inserted.)

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1 **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

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3 **GULF POWER COMPANY**

4 **TESTIMONY OF CHARLES R. ROTE**

5 **DOCKET NO. 20210001-EI**

6 **MARCH 16, 2021**

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8 **Q. Please state your name, business address.**

9 A. My name is Charles R. Rote. My business address is 700 Universe Boulevard, Juno
10 Beach, Florida 33408.

11 **Q. By whom are you employed and in what capacity?**

12 A. I am employed by Florida Power & Light Company (“FPL”), as Business Services
13 Director in the Power Generation Division.

14 **Q. Please summarize your educational background and professional experience.**

15 A. I graduated from DePauw University with a bachelor’s degree in Industrial
16 Psychology in 1991. I subsequently earned a Master of Business Administration
17 from Pace University in New York in 1994. I am a Certified Public Accountant in
18 the state of New York. Prior to 1999, I held various auditing positions at Price
19 Waterhouse LLP and Pfizer Inc. From 1999 to 2009, I worked for Rinker Materials
20 (acquired by Cemex in 2008) in various audit, accounting and development
21 capacities. I have been in my current role at FPL since 2009 where I have
22 responsibility for all budgeting, forecasting, regulatory and internal controls
23 activities for FPL’s and Gulf Power Company’s (“Gulf” or “the Company”) fossil
24 generating assets. Since 2013, I have also overseen the preparation and filing of
25 the Generating Performance Incentive Factor (“GPIF”) documents including
26 testimony, exhibits, audits and discovery.

1 **Q. Please describe the relationship of Gulf Power to Florida Power & Light**
2 **Company.**

3 A. Gulf Power was acquired by FPL's parent company, NextEra Energy, Inc., on
4 January 1, 2019. Gulf was subsequently merged into FPL on January 1,
5 2021. Following the acquisition, and even prior to the legal combination of FPL and
6 Gulf Power, the two companies began to consolidate their operations; however, the
7 companies remained separate ratemaking entities. On March 12, 2021, FPL filed
8 with the Florida Public Service Commission ("FPSC" or "the Commission") a
9 Petition for Unification of Rates and for a Base Rate Increase, in which FPL
10 requested that the Commission approve the placement of FPL's rates into effect for
11 all customers currently served pursuant to the rates and tariffs on file for Gulf. If
12 the Commission approves FPL's request, Gulf will no longer exist as a separate
13 ratemaking entity.

14 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

15 A. The purpose of my testimony is to report Gulf's actual 2020 performance for
16 Equivalent Availability Factor and Average Net Operating Heat Rate for the twelve
17 generating units used to determine its GPIF and to calculate the resulting GPIF
18 reward. I compared the performance of each unit to the targets approved in
19 Commission Order No. PSC-2019-0484-FOF-EI issued November 18, 2019 for the
20 period January through December 2020 and performed the reward/penalty
21 calculations prescribed by the GPIF Manual.

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1 **Q. Have you prepared, or caused to have prepared under your direction,**
2 **supervision, or control any exhibits in this proceeding?**

3 A. Yes, Exhibit CR-1 consisting of five schedules shows the reward/penalty
4 calculations.

5 **Q. Is there any information that has been supplied to the Commission pertaining**
6 **to this GPIF period that requires amendment?**

7 A. Yes. Some corrections have been made to the actual unit performance data, which
8 was submitted monthly to the Commission during this time period. These
9 corrections are based on discoveries made during the final data review to ensure the
10 accuracy of the information reported in this filing. The actual unit performance data
11 tables on pages 13 through 22 of Schedule 5 of Exhibit CR-1 incorporate these
12 changes. The data contained in these tables is the data upon which the GPIF
13 calculations were made.

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15 On January 20, 2021, Plant Crist was renamed Gulf Clean Energy Center (GCEC)
16 with the completion of the plant's gas conversion. Plant Crist Unit 7 is now reflected
17 as GCEC 7 in my exhibit.

18 **Q. Are there any issues related to the GPIF targets for this period that were filed**
19 **with the Commission on September 3, 2019, in Docket No. 20190001-EI that**
20 **may affect the validity of those targets for this period?**

21 A. Yes. The target filing takes 3 years of historical unit specific heat rate data to
22 develop the heat rate targets for each unit. The historical data used to develop the
23 2020 targets do not take into consideration damage that occurred at the Gulf Clean
24 Energy Center (GCEC) on September 16th from Hurricane Sally. GCEC Unit 7
25 remained offline until January 10, 2021. As a result of GCEC Unit 7 being offline,

1 Smith Unit 3 had to provide more generation than forecasted and this drove heat rate
2 performance outside of its normal historical ranges during that period. The 2020
3 GPIF projections did not contemplate operating Smith Unit 3 in this manner.

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5 The GPIF process was not established to reward or penalize units for performance
6 demands as result of catastrophic events; therefore, the heat rate targets set for the
7 period of September through December 2020 were adjusted for Smith Unit 3.

8 **Q. Please describe how this change in generation mix is being addressed in this**
9 **filing.**

10 A. In accordance with past Commission Orders pertaining to the burning of low Btu
11 coal in Daniel Units 1 and 2 , including Commission Orders PSC-04-1276-FOF-EI
12 and PSC-05-1252-FOF-EI, Plant Daniel Units 1 and 2 are excluded from the GPIF
13 heat rate calculations for the months when the low-Btu fuel mix was burned. This
14 was accomplished by setting the units' Adjusted Actual Heat Rates equal to their
15 respective Target Heat Rates. This resulted in producing neither a reward nor a
16 penalty for heat rate for these two units for these months when the units were burning
17 the low-Btu fuel mix.

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19 Gulf believes that due to extensive damage sustained at GCEC 7 and the higher
20 generation demand on Smith Unit 3 resulting in a higher heat rate for period
21 September through December 2020 the target heat rate should be used in place of
22 actual heat rate.

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1 **Q. Were there any other circumstances that the Company did not make any**
2 **adjustments for?**

3 A. Yes. The GCEC 7 target was based on the lateral gas line being in-service by July
4 1, 2020. The lateral line didn't go into service until December 31, 2020. After
5 GCEC 7 came out of outage at the end of May, the unit ran on minimum load for
6 the months of June through August burning to conserve coal. The result of running
7 on minimum load, the unit produces a higher heat rate than a unit running at optimal
8 load. This higher heat rate contributed to the GPIF penalty.

9 **Q. Please review the Company's equivalent availability results for the period.**

10 A. Actual equivalent availability and adjusted actual equivalent availability figures for
11 each of the Company's GPIF units are shown on page 12 of Schedule 5. Pages 3
12 through 7 of Schedule 2 contain the calculations for the adjusted actual equivalent
13 availabilities.

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15 A calculation of GPIF availability points based on these availabilities and the
16 targets established in Commission Order No. PSC-2019-0484-FOF-EI is on page 8
17 of Schedule 2. The results are Scherer 3, (10.00) points; GCEC 7, (10.00) points;
18 Daniel 1, 0.00 points; Daniel 2, (10.00) points; and Smith 3, (10.00) points.

19 **Q. What were the heat rate results for the period?**

20 A. The detailed calculations of the actual average net operating heat rates for the
21 Company's GPIF units are on pages 2 through 6 of Schedule 3.

22 As was done for the prior GPIF periods, and as indicated on pages 7 through 11 of
23 Schedule 3, the target equations were used to adjust actual results to the target basis.
24 These equations, submitted in September 2019, are shown on page 13 of Schedule

1 3. As calculated on page 14 of Schedule 3, the adjusted actual average net operating
2 heat rates correspond to the following GPIF unit heat rate points:
3 Scherer 3, 0.00 points; GCEC 7, (10.00) points; Daniel 1, 10.00 points;
4 Daniel 2, 5.33 points, and Smith 3, (2.35) points.

5 **Q. What number of Company points was achieved during the period, and what**
6 **reward or penalty is indicated by these points according to the GPIF**
7 **procedure?**

8 A. Using the unit equivalent availability and heat rate points previously mentioned,
9 along with the appropriate weighting factors, the number of Company points
10 achieved was (2.08) as indicated on page 2 of Schedule 4. This calculated to a
11 penalty in the amount of \$1,642,650.

12 **Q. Please summarize your testimony.**

13 A. In view of the adjusted actual equivalent availabilities, as shown on page 8 of
14 Schedule 2, and the adjusted actual average net operating heat rates achieved, as
15 shown on page 14 of Schedule 3, evidencing the Company's performance for the
16 period, Gulf calculates a penalty in the amount of \$1,642,650 as provided by the
17 GPIF methodology.

18 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

19 A. Yes.

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Docket No. 20210001-EI

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared Charles Rote, who being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he is the Power Generation Division Director Business Services of Gulf Power Company, a Florida corporation, that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief. He is personally known to me.

Charles Rote

Charles Rote
Power Generation Division Director Business Svcs

Sworn to and subscribed before me by means of X physical presence or _____ online notarization this 12th day of March, 2021.

K Carey
Notary Public, State of Florida at Large



1 **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**
2 **FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY**
3 **TESTIMONY OF CHARLES R. ROTE**
4 **DOCKET NO. 20210001-EI**
5 **MARCH 16, 2021**

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7 **Q. Please state your name and business address.**

8 A. My name is Charles R. Rote, and my business address is 700 Universe
9 Boulevard, Juno Beach, Florida 33408.

10 **Q. By whom are you employed and in what capacity?**

11 A. I am employed by Florida Power & Light Company (“FPL”), as Business
12 Services Director in the Power Generation Division.

13 **Q. Please summarize your educational background and professional**
14 **experience.**

15 A. I graduated from DePauw University with a Bachelor’s degree in Industrial
16 Psychology in 1991. I subsequently earned a Master of Business
17 Administration from Pace University in New York in 1994. I am a Certified
18 Public Accountant in the state of New York. Prior to 1999, I held various
19 auditing positions at Price Waterhouse LLP and Pfizer Inc. From 1999 to 2009,
20 I worked for Rinker Materials (acquired by Cemex in 2008) in various audit,
21 accounting and development capacities. I have been in my current role at FPL
22 since 2009 where I have responsibility for all budgeting, forecasting, regulatory
23 and internal controls activities for FPL’s fossil and solar generating

1 assets. Since 2013, I have also overseen the preparation and filing of the
2 Generating Performance Incentive Factor (“GPIF”) documents including
3 testimony, exhibits, audits and discovery.

4 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

5 A. The purpose of my testimony is to report FPL’s actual 2020 performance for
6 Equivalent Availability Factor (“EAF”) and Average Net Operating Heat Rate
7 (“ANOHR”) for the twelve generating units used to determine its GPIF and to
8 calculate the resulting GPIF reward. I compared the performance of each unit
9 to the targets approved in the final Commission Order No. PSC-2019-0484-
10 FOF-EI issued November 18, 2019 for the period January through December
11 2020, and performed the reward/penalty calculations prescribed by the GPIF
12 Manual. My testimony presents the result of these calculations: \$12,780,585 of
13 fuel savings to FPL’s customers as a result of the availability and efficiency of
14 FPL’s GPIF generating units, and a GPIF reward of \$6,390,846.

15 **Q. Have you prepared, or caused to have prepared under your direction,
16 supervision, or control any exhibits in this proceeding?**

17 A. Yes. Exhibit CRR-1 shows the reward/penalty calculations. Page 1 of Exhibit
18 CRR-1 is an index to the contents of the exhibit.

19 **Q. Please explain in general terms how the total GPIF reward/penalty amount
20 was calculated.**

21 A. The steps involved in making this calculation are provided in Exhibit CRR-1.
22 Page 2 provides the GPIF Reward/Penalty Table (Actual), which shows an
23 overall GPIF performance point value of +3.3814, \$12,780,585 in fuel savings

1 and a GPIF reward of \$6,390,846. Page 3 provides the calculation of the
2 maximum allowed incentive dollars as approved by Commission Order No.
3 PSC-13-0665-FOF-EI issued December 18, 2013. The calculation of the
4 system actual GPIF performance points is shown on page 4. This page lists
5 each GPIF unit, the unit's EAF and ANOHR, the weighting factors, and the
6 associated GPIF unit points.

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8 Page 5 is the actual EAF and adjustments summary. This page, in columns 1
9 through 5, lists each of the twelve GPIF units, the actual outage factors and the
10 actual EAF for each unit. Column 6 is the adjustment for planned outage
11 variation. Column 7 is the adjusted actual EAF, which is calculated on page 6.
12 Column 8 is the target EAF. Column 9 contains the Generating Performance
13 Incentive Points for availability as determined by interpolating from the tables
14 shown on pages 8 through 19. These tables are based on the targets and target
15 ranges previously approved by the Commission.

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17 Continuing with Exhibit CRR-1, page 7 shows the adjustments to ANOHR.
18 Columns 2 through 4 show the target heat rate formula, the actual net output
19 factor ("NOF") and ANOHR for each GPIF unit. Since heat rate varies with
20 NOF, it is necessary to determine both the target and actual heat rates at the
21 same NOF. This adjustment provides a common basis for comparison purposes
22 and is shown numerically for each GPIF unit in columns 5 through 8. Column
23 9 contains the Generating Performance Incentive Points as determined by

1 interpolating from the tables shown on pages 8 through 19. These tables are
2 based on the targets and target ranges approved by the Commission.

3 **Q. Please explain the primary reason FPL will receive a reward under the**
4 **GPIF for the January through December 2020 period.**

5 A. The primary reason that FPL will receive a reward for the period is that adjusted
6 actual EAF for six out of the twelve GPIF units were better than their targets.
7 In addition, three out of the twelve GPIF units operated with an adjusted actual
8 ANOHR that was below the ± 75 Btu/kWh dead band.

9 **Q. Please summarize each nuclear unit's performance as it relates to the EAF.**

10 A. St. Lucie Unit 1 operated at an adjusted actual EAF of 99.9%, compared to its
11 target of 87.4%. This results in +10.0 points, which corresponds to a GPIF
12 reward of \$1,863,540.

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14 St. Lucie Unit 2 operated at an adjusted actual EAF of 91.4%, compared to its
15 target of 85.7%. This results in +10.0 points, which corresponds to a GPIF
16 reward of \$1,287,090.

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18 Turkey Point Unit 3 operated at an adjusted actual EAF of 85.2% compared to
19 its target of 85.7%. This results in -1.67 points, which corresponds to a GPIF
20 penalty of \$200,718.

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1 Turkey Point Unit 4 operated at an adjusted actual EAF of 83.4% compared to
2 its target of 82.7%. This results in +2.33 points, which corresponds to a GPIF
3 reward of \$261,954.

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5 In total, the nuclear units' EAF performance results in a net GPIF reward of
6 \$3,211,866.

7 **Q. Please summarize each nuclear unit's performance as it relates to**
8 **ANOHR.**

9 A. The St. Lucie Unit 1 adjusted actual ANOHR is 10,444 Btu/kWh compared to
10 its target of 10,421 Btu/kWh. This ANOHR is within the ± 75 Btu/kWh dead
11 band around the projected target; therefore, there is no GPIF reward or penalty.

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13 The St. Lucie Unit 2 adjusted actual ANOHR is 10,272 Btu/kWh compared to
14 its target of 10,262 Btu/kWh. This ANOHR is within the ± 75 Btu/kWh dead
15 band around the projected target; therefore, there is no GPIF reward or penalty.

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17 The Turkey Point Unit 3 adjusted actual ANOHR is 10,440 Btu/kWh compared
18 to its target of 11,228 Btu/kWh. This ANOHR is better than the ± 75 Btu/kWh
19 dead band around the projected target. This results in +10.0 points, which
20 corresponds to a GPIF reward of \$332,640.

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1 Turkey Point Unit 4 adjusted actual ANOHR is 10,801 Btu/kWh compared to
2 its target of 10,865 Btu/kWh. This ANOHR is within the ± 75 Btu/kWh dead
3 band around the projected target; therefore, there is no GPIF reward or penalty.

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5 In total, the nuclear units' heat rate performance results in a net GPIF reward of
6 \$332,640.

7 **Q. What is the total GPIF reward for FPL's nuclear units?**

8 A. \$3,544,506.

9 **Q. Please summarize the performance of FPL's fossil units.**

10 A. Regarding EAF performance, three of the eight fossil generating units
11 performed better than their availability targets as shown on Exhibit CRR-1,
12 page 5, resulting in a combined reward of \$892,080. The other five performed
13 worse than their availability target as shown on Exhibit CRR-1, page 5,
14 resulting in a penalty of \$638,820. Thus, the total fossil units' EAF
15 performance results in a net GPIF reward of \$253,260.

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17 Regarding ANOHR, six of the eight fossil units operated with ANOHRs that
18 were within the ± 75 Btu/kWh dead band so there were no incentive rewards or
19 penalties. The other two operated below the dead band so they received a
20 combined reward of \$2,593,080. Thus, the total fossil units' heat rate
21 performance results in a net GPIF reward of \$2,593,080.

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23 **Q. What is the total GPIF reward/penalty for FPL's fossil units?**

1 A. The net GPIF fossil availability performance reward of \$253,260 plus the net
2 GPIF heat rate fossil performance reward of \$2,593,080 results in a total GPIF
3 reward for FPL's fossil units of \$2,846,340.

4 **Q. To recap, what is the total GPIF result for the period January through**
5 **December 2020?**

6 A. The total GPIF result for the period January through December 2020 is
7 \$12,780,585 of fuel savings to FPL's customers as a result of the availability
8 and efficiency of FPL's GPIF generating units, and a GPIF reward of
9 \$6,390,846.

10 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

11 A. Yes.

1 **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

2 **FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY**

3 **TESTIMONY OF CHARLES R. ROTE**

4 **DOCKET NO. 20210001-EI**

5 **SEPTEMBER 3, 2021**

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7 **Q. Please state your name and business address.**

8 A. My name is Charles R. Rote, and my business address is 700 Universe Boulevard,
9 Juno Beach, Florida 33408.

10 **Q. By whom are you currently employed and in what capacity?**

11 A. I am employed by Florida Power & Light Company (“FPL”) as the Business
12 Services Director in the Power Generation Division of FPL, where I am
13 responsible for budgeting, forecasting, regulatory reporting and financial internal
14 controls for FPL’s fossil/solar generating assets.

15 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

16 A. The purpose of my testimony is to present FPL’s generating unit equivalent
17 availability factor (“EAF”) targets and average net operating heat rate
18 (“ANOHR”) targets used in determining the Generating Performance Incentive
19 Factor (“GPIF”) for the period January through December 2022.

20 **Q. Have you prepared, or caused to have prepared under your direction,
21 supervision, or control, any exhibits in this proceeding?**

22 A. Yes, I am sponsoring Exhibit CRR-2. This Exhibit supports the development of
23 the 2022 GPIF EAF and ANOHR targets. The first page of this exhibit is an

1 index to its contents. All other pages are numbered according to the GPIF
2 Manual as approved by the Commission.

3 **Q. Are you including the former Gulf Power Company (“Gulf”) generating**
4 **units in your GPIF preparation?**

5 A. Yes, I am.

6 **Q. Do any generating units from the former Gulf qualify for GPIF when**
7 **combined with the FPL units?**

8 A. No, they do not. When the former Gulf generating units are combined with the
9 FPL units, they are below the top 80% threshold of the combined total forecasted
10 system net generation which is required to qualify for the GPIF in accordance
11 with the GPIF Manual.

12 **Q. Please summarize the 2022 system targets for EAF and ANOHR for the units**
13 **to be considered in establishing the GPIF for FPL.**

14 A. For the period of January through December 2022, FPL projects a weighted
15 system equivalent planned outage factor (“EPOF”) of 4.6% and a weighted
16 system equivalent unplanned outage factor (“EUOF”) of 7.7%, which yield a
17 weighted system EAF target of 87.7%. The targets for this period reflect planned
18 refuelings for St. Lucie Unit 1 and Turkey Point Unit 4. FPL also projects a
19 weighted system ANOHR target of 7,225 Btu/kWh for the same period. These
20 targets represent fair and reasonable values. Therefore, FPL requests that the
21 targets for these performance indicators be approved by the Commission.

22 **Q. Have you established individual target levels of performance for the units to**
23 **be considered in establishing the GPIF for FPL?**

1 A. Yes, I have. Exhibit CRR-2, pages 6 and 7, contains the information
2 summarizing the individual targets and ranges for EAF and ANOHR for each of
3 the fifteen generating units that FPL proposes to be considered as GPIF units for
4 the period January through December 2022. All of these targets have been
5 derived utilizing the accepted methodologies adopted in the GPIF Manual.

6 **Q. Please summarize FPL's methodology for determining EAF targets.**

7 A. The GPIF Manual requires that the EAF target for each unit be determined as the
8 difference between 100% and the sum of the EPOF and EUOF. The EPOF for
9 each unit is determined by the duration and magnitude of the planned outage, if
10 any, scheduled for the projected period. The EUOF is determined by the sum of
11 the historical average equivalent forced outage factor and the historical equivalent
12 maintenance outage factor. The EUOF is then adjusted to reflect recent or
13 projected unit overhauls following the projection period.

14 **Q. Please summarize FPL's methodology for determining ANOHR targets.**

15 A. To develop the ANOHR targets, a set of curves that reflect historical ANOHR and
16 unit net output factors are developed for each GPIF unit. The historical data is
17 analyzed for any unusual operating conditions and changes in equipment that
18 affect the predicted heat rate. A regression equation is calculated and a statistical
19 analysis of the historical ANOHR variance with respect to the best fit curve is
20 also performed to identify unusual observations. The resulting equation is used to
21 project ANOHR for the unit using the net output factor from the production
22 costing simulation program, GenTrader. This projected ANOHR value is then
23 used in the GPIF tables and in the calculations to determine the possible fuel

1 savings or losses due to improvements or degradations in heat rate performance.

2 This process is consistent with the GPIF Manual.

3 **Q. How did you select the units to be considered when establishing the GPIF for**
4 **FPL?**

5 A. In accordance with the GPIF Manual, each unit's estimated net generation is
6 ranked from highest to lowest. Then, those units, which the cumulative net
7 generation represent no less than the top 80% of the total estimated system net
8 generation, are included in the GPIF calculation. The estimated net generation is
9 taken from the GenTrader model, which forms the basis for the projected
10 levelized fuel cost recovery factor for the period. In this case, the fifteen units
11 which FPL proposes to use for the period January through December 2022
12 represent the top 82.2% of the total forecasted system net generation for this
13 period including the former Gulf generating units but excluding Okeechobee
14 ("OCEC") and Dania Beach ("DBEC") Clean Energy Centers. OCEC went in
15 service in April 2019 and DBEC is expected to be in service in the second quarter
16 of 2022. Consequently, they were excluded from the GPIF calculation because
17 there is insufficient historical data to include them. Consistent with the GPIF
18 Manual, these units will be considered in the GPIF calculations once FPL has
19 enough operating history to use in projecting future performance.

20 **Q. Do FPL's 2022 EAF and ANOHR performance targets as shown on Exhibit**
21 **CRR-2 represent reasonable levels of generation availability and efficiency?**

22 A. Yes, they do.

23 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

24 A. Yes, it does.

1 (Whereupon, prefiled direct testimony of Jason
2 Chin was inserted.)

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Fuel and Purchase Power Cost Recovery
Clause with Generating Performance Incentive
Factor

Docket No: 20210001-EI

DECLARATION OF JASON CHIN

1. My name is Jason Chin, and my business address is Florida Power & Light Company (“FPL”), 9250 West Flagler Street, Miami, Florida, 33174.
2. I am employed by FPL as Senior Manager, Regulatory Accounting.
3. I hold a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting and a Bachelor of Science degree in Finance from Florida State University. I also hold a Master’s degree in Business Administration (MBA) in Finance from Nova Southeastern University. I have been employed by FPL since 2008. During my tenure at the Company, I have held various accounting and regulatory positions of increasing responsibility with most of my career focused in regulatory accounting and the calculation of revenue requirements. Specifically, I have provided accounting support in multiple FPL retail base rate filings and other regulatory dockets filed at the Florida Public Service Commission (“FPSC” or the “Commission”) as well as the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. My responsibilities have included the management of the accounting for FPL’s, Gulf’s and FCG’s cost recovery clauses and the preparation, review and filing of both FPL’s and FCG’s monthly Earnings Surveillance Reports (“ESR”) at the FPSC.
4. The purpose of my declaration is to provide the revised revenue requirement calculations for the Okeechobee Clean Energy Center (“OCEC”), the 2019 Solar Project and the 2020 Solar Project based on actual capital costs as required by FPL’s Stipulation and Settlement

Agreement approved by the Commission in Order No. PSC-16-0560-AS-EI, Docket No. 20160021-EI, issued on December 15, 2016 (“Settlement Agreement”).

Okeechobee Clean Energy Center Limited Scope Adjustment

5. As more fully described in Paragraph 9(d) of the Settlement Agreement, once OCEC’s actual capital costs are known, if the unit’s actual capital costs are less than the projected costs used to develop the initial OCEC LSA factor, the factor would be recalculated and a one-time credit would be made to customers through the Capacity Cost Recovery Clause.
6. Pursuant to Paragraph 9(a) of the Settlement Agreement, the authorized jurisdictional annualized base revenue requirement for the first 12 months of operations for OCEC used for the initial LSA factor was \$200 million.
7. As reflected on Attachment JC-1, the actual capital costs for OCEC are \$1,223.3 million resulting in a revised jurisdictional annualized base revenue requirement for the first 12 months of operations of \$198.3 million. This represents a decrease in jurisdictional annualized base revenue requirement of \$1.736 million.

2019 and 2020 Solar Base Rate Adjustments

8. The Commission approved the estimated jurisdictional revenue requirements for the 2019 and 2020 Solar Base Rate Adjustments (SoBRA) in Order No. PSC-2018-0610-FOF-EI (Docket No. 20180001-EI) and Order No. PSC-2019-0484-FOF-EI, (Docket No. 20190001-EI), and placed into service during 2019 and 2020, respectively. The final jurisdictional revenue requirement computations are based on actual capital costs for the 2019 and 2020 Projects as required by the Settlement Agreement.
9. Paragraph 10(g) of the Settlement Agreement states the following:

“In the event that the actual capital expenditures are less than the projected costs used to develop the initial SoBRA factor, the lower figure shall be the basis for the full revenue requirements and a one-time credit will be made through the CCR Clause. In order to determine the amount of this credit, a revised SoBRA Factor will be computed using the same data and methodology incorporated in the initial SoBRA factor, with the exception that the actual capital expenditures will be used in lieu of the capital expenditures on which the Annualized Base Revenue Requirement was based.”

10. As reflected in the 2019 SoBRA Final Revenue Requirement Calculation on page 1 of Attachment JC-2, the final jurisdictional annualized revenue requirement associated with the 2019 SoBRA is \$51.659 million.
11. With the exception of capital costs, the final revenue requirement computation for the 2019 SoBRA is based on the same inputs used for the initial 2019 SoBRA Factor included in FPL witness Castaneda’s testimony filed on August 24, 2018, Docket No. 20180001-EI, and approved by this Commission in Order No. PSC-2018-0610-FOF-EI. As reflected on page 2 of Attachment JC-2, the projected total per book capital cost of \$413.063 million used in the initial 2019 SoBRA Factor was replaced with the actual total per book costs of \$412.804 million, resulting in a decrease in revenue requirements of \$26,890.
12. As reflected within the 2020 SoBRA Final Revenue Requirement Calculation on page 1 of Attachment JC-3, the final jurisdictional annualized revenue requirement associated with the 2020 SoBRA is \$50.384 million.
13. With the exception of capital costs, the final revenue requirement computation for the 2020 SoBRA is based on the same inputs used for the initial 2020 SoBRA Factor included in FPL witness Fuentes’s testimony filed on September 3, 2019, Docket No. 20190001-EI,

and approved by this Commission in Order No. PSC-2019-0484-FOF-EI. As reflected on page 2 of Attachment JC-3, the projected total per book capital cost of \$410.699 million used in the initial 2020 SoBRA Factor was replaced with the actual total per book cost of \$409.488 million, resulting in a decrease in revenue requirements of \$107,294.

14. The refund calculations associated with the decreases in revenue requirements for the OCEC LSA, the 2019 SoBRA, and 2020 SoBRA are discussed in FPL witness Edward Anderson's declaration.
15. Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have read the foregoing declaration and that the facts stated in it are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.



JASON CHIN

Date: 09/02/2021

1 (Whereupon, prefiled direct testimony of
2 Edward J. Anderson was inserted.)

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Fuel and Purchase Power Cost Recovery
Clause with Generating Performance Incentive
Factor

Docket No: 20210001-EI

DECLARATION OF EDWARD J. ANDERSON

1. My name is Edward J. Anderson, and my business address is Florida Power & Light Company, 700 Universe Boulevard, Juno Beach, Florida 33408. I have personal knowledge of the matters stated in this declaration.
2. I am employed by Florida Power & Light Company (“FPL” or the “Company”) as Manager-Regulatory Rate Development.
3. I hold a Bachelor of Arts in Economics and Business, from the Virginia Military Institute. In November 2016, I joined FPL as Principal-Rate Development within the Company’s Regulatory Affairs Organization and assumed my current role in March 2018. Prior to joining FPL, I was employed by Dominion Energy for fourteen years. From 2003 to 2007, I worked within Dominion’s Trading and Marketing Organization as a Business Operations Support Associate and Power Market Analyst. My responsibilities included Power Pool (PJM and NE-ISO) reconciliation, analysis, and trading support. In 2007, I was promoted to Hourly Trader where I was responsible for managing and optimizing the hourly operations of Dominion’s merchant power plant assets in PJM and NE-ISO. From 2008 to 2016, I worked within Dominion’s State Regulation Department as a senior level Regulatory Pricing Analyst and Regulatory Advisor. My responsibilities included providing support and analysis as they related to rate design for all base and rider regulatory filings, and I was the Company’s rates witness for several generation adjustment and fuel rate proceedings.

4. The purpose of my declaration is to provide, for the generation listed below, revised Generation Base Rate Adjustment (“GBRA”) and Solar Base Rate Adjustment (“SoBRA”) factors as well as the amounts to be refunded through the Capacity Cost Recovery Clause (“CCRC”):
 - a. the Okeechobee Clean Energy Center (“OCEC”);
 - b. the 2019 Solar Project; and
 - c. the 2020 Solar Project.
5. FPL is employing the identical mechanism it has employed to true-up the capital expenditures associated with the Cape Canaveral Energy Center, Port Everglades Energy Centers the 2017 Solar Project, and the 2018 Solar Project.

OCEC Factor

6. As presented on page 1 of Attachment JC-1, to the Declaration of Jason Chin, the OCEC final jurisdictional annualized base revenue requirement based on the actual capital costs for the OCEC is \$198.264 million.
7. Except for the revenue requirement associated with the actual capital costs, the revised OCEC Factor is computed using the same data used in computation of the initial OCEC Factor. This data includes billed retail base revenues from the sales of electricity and unbilled retail base revenues in the amount of \$6,578.103 million, as shown in the OCEC filing, Docket No. 20180001-EI.
8. The revised OCEC Factor using the updated revenue requirement of \$198.264 million is 3.014%. The computation of this revised factor is provided in Attachment EJA-1, page 1 of 3.

2019 SoBRA Project Factor

9. As presented on page 1 of Attachment JC-2, to the Declaration of Jason Chin, the 2019 SoBRA Project's final jurisdictional annualized base revenue requirement based on the actual capital costs is \$51.659 million.
10. Except for the revenue requirement associated with the actual capital costs, the revised 2019 SoBRA Project Factor is computed using the same data used in computation of the initial 2019 SoBRA Project Factor. This data includes billed retail base revenues from the sales of electricity and unbilled retail base revenues in the amount of \$6,501.950 million, as shown in the 2019 SoBRA Project filing, Docket 20180001-EI.
11. The revised 2019 SoBRA Project Factor using the updated revenue requirement of \$51.659 million is 0.7945%. The computation of this revised factor is provided in Attachment EJA-2, page 1 of 3.

2020 SoBRA Project Factor

12. As presented on page 1 of Attachment JC-3, to the Declaration of Jason Chin, the 2020 SoBRA Project final jurisdictional annualized base revenue requirement based on the actual capital costs is \$50.384 million.
13. Except for the revenue requirement associated with the actual capital costs, the revised SoBRA Factor is computed using the same data used in the computation of the initial SoBRA Factor. This data includes billed retail base revenues from the sales of electricity and unbilled retail base revenues in the amount of \$6,896.706 million, as shown in the initial SoBRA Filing, Docket No. 20190001-EI.
14. The revised 2020 SoBRA Factor using the updated revenue requirement of \$50.384 million is 0.731%. The computation of this revised factor is provided in Attachment EJA-3, page 1 of 3.


Refund Amounts

15. Pursuant to FPL's 2016 Rate Settlement approved by Order No. PSC-16-0560-AS-EI, and consistent with the initial filings associated with OCEC, the 2019 SoBRA Project and 2020 SoBRA Project, once the actual capital costs are known, if the actual capital costs are less than the projected costs used to develop the initial Factors, a one-time credit is to be made through the Capacity Clause. The difference between the cumulative base revenues that have been collected since the implementation of the initial factors through December 31, 2021, and the cumulative base revenues that would have resulted if the revised Factors had been implemented will be credited to customers through the CCRC with interest through December 31, 2021 at the 30-day commercial paper rate as specified in Rule 25-6.109. The amounts of the refund with interest are as follows:

Plant	Refund (\$MM)	Reference
OCEC	\$5.056	Attachment EJA-1, Page 3 of 3
2019 SoBRA Project	\$0.085	Attachment EJA-2, Page 3 of 3
2020 SoBRA Project	\$0.120	Attachment EJA-3, Page 3 of 3
Total	\$5.261	

The total refund amount with interest to be credited to the CCRC will be \$5.261 million.

16. Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have read the foregoing declaration and that the facts stated in it are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.



 EDWARD J. ANDERSON

Date: 9/1/2021

1 (Whereupon, prefiled direct testimony of
2 Curtis D. Young was inserted.)

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Docket No. 20210001-EI
Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Recovery Clause
Direct Testimony of
Curtis Young
(2020 Final True-Up)
on behalf of
Florida Public Utilities Company

1 Q. Please state your name and business address.

2 A. Curtis Young, 1635 Meathe Road, West Palm Beach, Florida 33411.

3 Q. By whom are you employed?

4 A. I am employed by Florida Public Utilities Company.

5 Q. Could you give a brief description of your background and business experience?

6 A. I am the Senior Regulatory Analyst for Florida Public Utilities Company. I have
7 performed various accounting and analytical functions including regulatory filings,
8 revenue reporting, account analysis, recovery rate reconciliations and earnings
9 surveillance. I'm also involved in the preparation of special reports and schedules
10 used internally by division managers for decision making projects. Additionally, I
11 coordinate the gathering of data for the FPSC audits.

12 Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?

13 A. The purpose of my testimony is to present the calculation of the final remaining true-
14 up amounts for the period January 2020 through December 2020.

15 Q. Have you included any exhibits to support your testimony?

16 A. Yes. Exhibit_____ (CDY-1) consists of Schedules A, E1-B and C-1 for the
17 Consolidated Electric Division. These schedules were prepared from the records of
18 the company.

1 Q. What has FPUC calculated as the final remaining true-up amounts for the period
2 January 2020 through December 2020?

3 A. For the Consolidated Electric Division the final remaining true-up amount is an over
4 recovery of \$2,937,906.

5 Q. How was this amount calculated?

6 A. It is the difference between the actual end of period true-up amount for the January
7 through December 2020 period and the total true-up amount to be collected or
8 refunded during the January - December 2021 period.

9 Q. What was the actual end of period true-up amount for January - December 2020?

10 A. For the Consolidated Electric Division it was \$3,235,074 over recovery.

11 Q. What was the Commission-approved amount to be collected or refunded during the
12 January – December 2021 period?

13 A. A consolidated over-recovery of \$297,168 to be collected.

14 Q. The beginning true-up balance from your Schedule E1-b differs from the amount that
15 appeared in your Final True-Up Amount for 2019, please explain?

16 A. It was discovered that our monthly Fuel filing for December 2018 as well as the 2018
17 Final True-up filing had errors with regards to Fuel Revenues. In that fourth quarter,
18 we were still in the midst of restoring services to our many customers impacted by
19 damages resulting from Hurricane Michael. Part of this process entailed applying
20 several adjusting transactions within our billing system. The Company did not bill its
21 customers in the affected areas of the hurricane during the months of October and
22 November. In December, a majority of the services had been restored and the
23 Company resumed its billing processes. Subsequently, due to the suspension of

1 billing for a specific area, adjustments were made to the billing system and
2 accounting financials to correct any billing issues. Around the same time, the
3 Company also received Commission approval to apply a portion of its 2018 Tax Cuts
4 and Jobs Act settlement to its fuel and purchased power cost under- recovery. In the
5 course of preparing the monthly fuel filing for December 2018, some adjustments
6 were not accurately reflected in the fuel revenues causing the true-up to be overstated.
7 This finding was not immediately detected and the discrepancy carried forward in our
8 reported fuel filings, which necessitated FPUC performing a thorough reconciliation
9 to correct the fuel filings and determine the appropriate true-up balance.

10 Q. Is the \$3,952,348 under-recovery that appears as your beginning true-up balance on
11 your Schedules A, E1-b and C-1 the correct final true-up-amount for 2019?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. How was this correction implemented in this filing?

14 A. I prepared revised monthly Fuel true-up filing for each of the months from January
15 2020 to June 2020 in Exhibit CDY-3 of the previous filing which further illustrated
16 the monthly computations of the 2020 true-up recoveries.

17 Q. What was the net impact of this correction to your 2020 beginning true-up balance?

18 A. The correction resulted in a \$14,280 to the Company's fuel cost recovery balance.

19 Q. Is the \$14,280 recovery correction the only adjustment to the Company's fuel true-up
20 balance during 2020?

21 A. No. In response to related Orders approved by the Commission, the Company was
22 allowed to apply amounts derived from settlement agreements to reduce its existing
23 fuel and purchased power cost recovery balance and further reduce its fuel cost

1 recovery factors in subsequent years. Order No. PSC-2019-0010-AS-EI in Docket
2 No. 20180048-EI granted the Company permission to apply some of the income tax
3 benefits associated with the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 towards reducing its fuel
4 and purchased power cost recovery balance. The amount applied during 2020 totaled
5 \$80,317, \$27,870 of which was attributed to 2019. Additionally, Order No. PSC-
6 2020-0347-AS-EI in Docket No. 20190156-EI allowed the Company to refund its
7 customers through its fuel clause for the over-collected interim rates associated with
8 its storm cost recovery for Hurricane Michael. During 2020, the refund to the
9 customers totaled \$975,260.

10 Q. Does this conclude your direct testimony?

11 A. Yes, it does.

1 **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

2 DOCKET NO. 20210001-EI: Fuel and purchased power cost recovery clause with
3 generating performance incentive factor.

4 Direct Testimony of Curtis D. Young (Estimated/Actual)

5 On Behalf of Florida Public Utilities Company

6 **Q. Please state your name and business address.**

7 A. My name is Curtis D. Young. My business address is 1635 Meathe Drive, West
8 Palm Beach, Florida 33411.

9 **Q. By whom are you employed?**

10 A. I am employed by Florida Public Utilities Company (“FPUC” or “Company”)

11 **Q. Describe briefly your education and relevant professional background.**

12 A. I have a Bachelor of Business Administration Degree in Accounting from Pace
13 University in New York City, New York. I am the Senior Regulatory Analyst for
14 Florida Public Utilities Company. I have performed various accounting and
15 analytical functions including regulatory filings, revenue reporting, account analysis,
16 recovery rate reconciliations and earnings surveillance. I’m also involved in the
17 preparation of special reports and schedules used internally by division managers for
18 decision making projects. Additionally, I coordinate the gathering of data for the
19 FPSC audits..

20 **Q. Have you previously testified in this Docket?**

21 A. Yes, I have.

22 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony at this time?**

23 A. I will briefly describe the basis for the Company’s computations made in preparation

1 of the schedules being submitted in this docket.

2 **Q. Which of the Staff's schedules is the Company providing in support of this**
3 **filing?**

4 A. I am attaching Schedules E1-A, E1-B, and E1-B1 as part of Exhibit CDY-2.
5 Schedule E1-B shows the Calculation of Purchased Power Costs and Calculation of
6 True-Up and Interest Provision for the period January 2021 – December 2021 based
7 on 6 Months Actual and 6 Months Estimated data.

8 **Q. Were these schedules completed by you or under your direct supervision?**

9 A. The schedules were completed by me.

10 **Q. What was the final remaining true-up amount for the period January 2020 –**
11 **December 2020?**

12 A. The final remaining true-up amount was an over-recovery of \$2,937,906.

13 **Q. What is the estimated true-up amount for the period January 2021 – December**
14 **2021?**

15 A. The estimated true-up amount is an under-recovery of \$680,436.

16 **Q. What is the total true-up amount estimated to be collected, or refunded for the**
17 **period January 2022 – December 2022?**

18 A. At the end of December 2021, based on six months actual and six months estimated,
19 the Company estimates it will over-recover \$2,257,470 in purchased power costs,
20 which will be refunded from January 2022 – December 2022.

21 **Q. Has the Company made any revisions to its 2021 estimated six month projection**
22 **data?**

23 A. Yes, we made changes to the estimated fuel costs since our original projection filing

1 for 2021. The Company is expecting a transmission rebate from its purchased power
2 supplier, FP&L, for approximately \$223,800 by year end and has included this
3 amount in our 2021 true-up computation. FPUC has also included the annual tax
4 savings addressed in the amended settlement approved by Order No. PSC-2020-
5 0083-PAA-EI in Docket No. 20200033-EI to be applied to its 2021 fuel and
6 purchased power cost recovery balance at year's end.

7 The current estimate of \$75,358 has been added to our 2021 true-up computation.

8 **Q. In previous years FPUC explored other opportunities to provide power supply**
9 **for its customers. Has FPUC continued to explore other opportunities?**

10 A. Yes. FPUC is continuing to look into other sources of power supply that will
11 provide low cost, resilient and reliable energy to its customers.

12 **Q. Would you please discuss the opportunities FPUC has been investigating?**

13 A. Yes. FPUC is continuing to explore both Solar Photovoltaic (solar) and Combined
14 Heat and Power (CHP) technologies with the goal of providing low cost, resilient
15 and reliable energy to customers. Solar opportunities are being explored in both the
16 Northeast and Northwest Divisions and are under consideration at this time. In our
17 Northeast Division, significant effort has been focused on the development of a
18 second CHP on Amelia Island. This project will be similar in size and operation to
19 the existing Eight Flags Energy project that began commercial operation in 2016.
20 Amelia Island Energy (AIE), as it will be named, will be located approximately one
21 mile from Eight Flags Energy at a separate mill on Amelia Island. This CHP will
22 provide electrical energy to the FPUC grid and thermal energy in the form of
23 steam/hot water to the mill. Preliminary engineering has been completed, operating

1 agreements are being developed and air permitting has been completed at this time.
2 AIE will provide low cost energy to our customers while improving the resiliency
3 and reliability to the FPUC grid on Amelia Island.

4 **Q. Has the Company incurred any costs during the preliminary stages of this**
5 **project?**

6 A. Yes, the Company has engaged the consulting firms of Pierpont and McLelland LLC
7 and Sterling Energy Services LLC and well as the law firm of Gunster, Yoakley and
8 Stewart PA for their experienced expertise in the aforementioned processes. The
9 Company incurred approximately \$95,000 in the consulting and legal fees linked to
10 this project in 2020 and another \$57,000 to date in 2021. We roughly estimate to
11 spend another \$55,000 by year-end.

12 **Q. When do you anticipate construction to begin on the AIE facility?**

13 A. At this point, much depends upon the time frames for the necessary operating
14 agreements, regulatory approvals, and permits. The current target is to have the
15 necessary approvals and agreements in place on a schedule that would enable the
16 necessary major components to be ordered in the first quarter of 2022. Commercial
17 operation should occur within 1.5 years of ordering the major equipment.

18 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

19 A. Yes.

1 **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**
2 DOCKET NO. 20200001-EI: FUEL AND PURCHASED POWER COST RECOVERY CLAUSE WITH
3 GENERATING PERFORMANCE INCENTIVE FACTOR
4 2022 Projection Testimony of Curtis D. Young
5 On Behalf of
6 Florida Public Utilities Company

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- 8 **Q. Please state your name and business address.**
- 9 A. My name is Curtis D. Young. My business address is 1635 Meathe Drive,
10 West Palm Beach, FL 33411.
- 11 **Q. By whom are you employed?**
- 12 A. I am employed by Florida Public Utilities Company ("FPUC" or "Company")
13 as Senior Regulatory Analyst.
- 14 **Q. Could you give a brief description of your background and business
15 experience?**
- 16 A. I have a Bachelor of Business Administration Degree in Accounting from
17 Pace University in New York City, New York. I am the Senior Regulatory
18 Analyst for Florida Public Utilities Company. I have performed various
19 accounting and analytical functions including regulatory filings, revenue
20 reporting, account analysis, recovery rate reconciliations and earnings
21 surveillance. I'm also involved in the preparation of special reports and
22 schedules used internally by division managers for decision making projects.
23 Additionally, I coordinate the gathering of data for the FPSC audits.
- 24 **Q. Have you previously testified in this Docket?**
- 25 A. Yes, I have.

1 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony at this time?**

2 A. My testimony will establish the “true-up” collection amount, based on
3 actual January 2020 through June 2021 data and projected July 2021
4 through December 2022 data to be collected or refunded during January
5 2022 – December 2022. My testimony will also summarize the
6 computations that are contained in composite exhibit CDY-3 supporting the
7 January through December 2022 projected levelized fuel adjustment factors
8 for its consolidated electric divisions. Additionally, these factors include a
9 refund to customers per the settlement agreement for the corporate state
10 income tax savings approved in Docket No. 20200033-EI by Order No. PSC-
11 2020-0083-PAA-EI, issued on March 20, 2020, as well as additional costs
12 incurred as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and deemed recoverable in
13 terms of the settlement approved by Order No. PC-2021-0266-S-PU, as
14 amended, issued in Docket No. 20200194-PU.

15 **Q. What is the monetary impact of the state tax savings refund adjustment to
16 your 2021 true-up balance?**

17 A. The adjustment is a \$75,358 over-recovery to the true-up balance.

18 **Q. Were the schedules filed by the Company completed by you or under your
19 direct supervision?**

20 A. Yes, they were completed by me.

21 **Q. Is FPUC providing the required schedules with this filing?**

22 A. Yes. Included with this filing are the Consolidated Electric Schedules E1,
23 E1A, E2, E7, E8, and E10. These schedules are included in my Exhibit CDY-3,
24 which is appended to my testimony.

1 **Q. Did you include costs in addition to the costs specific to purchased fuel in**
2 **the calculations of your true-up and projected amounts?**

3 A. Yes, included with our fuel and purchased power costs are charges for
4 contracted consultants and legal services that are directly fuel-related and
5 appropriate for recovery in the fuel and purchased power clause.

6 FPUC engaged Sterling Energy Services, LLC. (“Sterling”) Christensen Associates
7 Energy, LLC (“Christensen”), and Pierpont and McClelland (“Pierpont”) for
8 assistance in the development and enactment of projects/programs designed to
9 reduce their purchased power rates to its customers. The associated legal and
10 consulting costs, included in the rate calculation of the Company’s 2022
11 Projection factors, were not included in expenses during the last FPUC
12 consolidated electric base rate proceeding and are not being recovered through
13 base rates.

14 Mr. Cutshaw addresses these project assignments more specifically in his
15 testimony.

16 **Q. Please explain how these costs were determined to be recoverable under the**
17 **fuel and purchased power clause?**

18 A. Consistent with the Commission’s policy set forth in Order No. 14546, issued in
19 Docket No. 850001-EI-B, on July 8, 1985, the other fuel related costs included in
20 the fuel clause are directly related to purchased power, have not been
21 recovered through base rates.

22 Specifically, consistent with item 10 of Order 14546, the costs the Company has
23 included are fuel-related costs that were not anticipated or included in the cost
24 levels used to establish the current base rates. Similar expenses paid to

1 Christensen and Associates associated with the design for a Request for
2 Proposals of purchased power costs, and the evaluation of those responses,
3 were deemed appropriate for recovery by FPUC through the fuel and purchased
4 power clause in Order No. PSC-05-1252-FOF-EI, Item II E, issued in Docket No.
5 050001-EI. Additionally, in more recent Docket Nos. 20160001-EI, 20170001-EI,
6 20180001-EI, 20190001-EI, 20200001-EI and 20210001-EI the Commission
7 determined that many of the costs associated with the legal and consulting
8 work incurred by the Company as fuel related, particularly those costs related to
9 the purchase power agreement review and analysis, were recoverable under
10 the fuel clause. As the Commission has recognized time and again, the Company
11 simply does not have the internal resources to pursue projects and initiatives
12 designed to produce purchased power savings without engaging outside
13 assistance for project analytics and due diligence, as well as negotiation and
14 contract development expertise. Likewise, the Company believes that the costs
15 addressed herein are appropriate for recovery through the fuel clause.

16 **Q. In addition to the fuel-related endeavors mentioned above, has the Company**
17 **included any other costs in your projected amounts?**

18 **A.** Yes, the Company has also included costs related to the settlement agreement
19 regarding COVID-19 regulatory asset in Docket No. 20200194 and approved in
20 Order No. PSC-2021-0266-S-PU.

21 The settlement agreement, which was approved by the Commission on July 8,
22 2021, allows Florida Public Utilities Company to recover \$2,085,759 of
23 pandemic-related incremental expenses. Beginning with the factors established
24 for the calendar year 2022, FPUC is allowed to amortize over two years and

1 recover the allocated regulatory asset of approximately \$1,354,120 for the
2 electric division, through the Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Recovery Clause
3 mechanism. The annualized amount, \$677,060, is included among the
4 Company's 2022 projected costs.

5 **Q. What are the final remaining true-up amounts for the period January –**
6 **December 2020?**

7 A. The final remaining consolidated true-up amount was an over-recovery of
8 \$2,937,906.

9 **Q. What are the estimated true-up amounts for the period of January –**
10 **December 2021?**

11 A. There is an estimated consolidated under-recovery of \$680,436.

12 **Q. Please address the calculation of the total true-up amount to be collected or**
13 **refunded during the January - December 2022 year?**

14 A. The Company has determined that at the end of December 2021, based on six
15 months actual and six months estimated, we will have a consolidated electric
16 **over-recovery of \$2,257,470.**

17 **Q. What will the total consolidated fuel adjustment factor, excluding demand**
18 **cost recovery, be for the consolidated electric division for the period?**

19 A. The total fuel adjustment factor as shown on line 43, Schedule E-1 is **4.580¢** per
20 KWH.

21 **Q. Please advise what a residential customer using 1,000 KWH will pay for the**
22 **period January - December 2022 including base rates, conservation cost**
23 **recovery factors, gross receipts tax and fuel adjustment factor and after**
24 **application of a line loss multiplier.**

1 A. As shown on consolidated Schedule E-10 in Composite Exhibit Number CDY-3, a
2 residential customer using 1,000 KWH will pay **\$127.91**. This is an increase of
3 **\$0.13** above the previous period.

4 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

5 A. Yes.

1 (Whereupon, prefiled direct testimony of P.
2 Mark Cutshaw was inserted.)

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
DOCKET NO. 20210001-EI
FUEL AND PURCHASED POWER COST RECOVERY CLAUSE WITH GENERATING
PERFORMANCE INCENTIVE FACTOR

2022 Projection Testimony of P. Mark Cutshaw
On Behalf of
Florida Public Utilities Company

1 **Q. Please state your name and business address.**

2 A. My name is P. Mark Cutshaw, 208 Wildlight Avenue, Yulee, Florida 32097.

3 **Q. By whom are you employed?**

4 A. I am employed by Florida Public Utilities Company ("FPUC" or "Company").

5 **Q. Could you give a brief description of your background and business experience?**

6 A. I graduated from Auburn University in 1982 with a B.S. in Electrical Engineering and
7 began my career with Mississippi Power Company in June 1982. I spent 9 years
8 with Mississippi Power Company and held positions of increasing responsibility
9 that involved budgeting, as well as operations and maintenance activities at various
10 Company locations. I joined FPUC in 1991 as Division Manager in our Northwest
11 Florida Division and have since worked extensively in both the Northwest Florida
12 and Northeast Florida Divisions. Since joining FPUC, my responsibilities have
13 included all aspects of budgeting, customer service, operations and maintenance
14 in both the Northeast and Northwest Florida Divisions. My responsibilities also
15 included involvement with Cost of Service Studies and Rate Design in other rate
16 proceedings before the Commission as well as other regulatory issues. During 2019
17 I moved into my current role as Director, Generation and Pipeline Development.

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1 **Q. Have you previously testified before the Florida Public Service Commission**
2 **("Commission")?**

3 A. Yes, I've provided testimony in a variety of Commission proceedings, including the
4 Company's 2014 rate case, addressed in Docket No. 20140025-EI. Most recently, I
5 provided written, pre-filed testimony in Docket No. 20210001-EI, the Commission's
6 regular fuel cost recovery proceeding, and also provided pre-filed testimony the
7 prior year, in Docket No. 20200001-EI, the Commissions' regular fuel cost recovery.
8 I have also been involved in and filed testimony in Docket No. 20191056 for the
9 Limited Proceeding to Recover Incremental Storm Restoration Costs.

10 **Q. What is the purpose of your direct testimony in this Docket?**

11 A. My direct testimony addresses several aspects of the purchased power cost for our
12 FPUC electric customers. This includes activities to investigate the potential for
13 reduced purchase power costs, execution/amendment of purchased power
14 agreements with Gulf Power Company ("Gulf")/Florida Power & Light ("FPL"),
15 Combined Heat and Power ("CHP") generation supply located on Amelia Island and
16 investigation into the opportunities of energy provided from solar and battery
17 installations.

18 **Q. What new opportunities has the Company implemented with the intent of**
19 **achieving energy resiliency and reducing costs for its customers in its**
20 **consolidated electric divisions?**

21 A. The Company regularly pursues opportunities to achieve energy resiliency and
22 reduced purchased power costs for the benefit of our customers. During 2018,
23 FPUC began by executing a transmission interconnection agreement and a new
24 purchased power agreement with Florida Power & Light (FPL) for our Northeast

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1 Florida Division. During 2019, a purchased power agreement with Gulf/FPL for our
2 Northwest Florida Division was executed along with an amendment of the existing
3 FPL purchased power agreement for our Northeast Florida Division.

4 **Q. What is the status of the existing purchase power agreements in place with Gulf**
5 **Power and FPL?**

6 A. The existing agreement for our Northwest Florida Division with Gulf/FPL became
7 effective January 1, 2020 and will continue in effect through December 31, 2026,
8 unless extended by FPUC. The existing agreement for our Northeast Florida
9 Division with FPL, which became effective January 1, 2018, was amended in 2019
10 to continue in effect through the December 31, 2026, unless extended by FPUC.

11 **Q. Can you provide background on the new purchased power agreement with FPL**
12 **for the Northwest Florida Division and the amendment of the purchased power**
13 **agreement for the Northeast Florida Division that became effective January 1,**
14 **2020?**

15 A. Yes. Informal solicitations occurred with four providers that were capable of
16 providing wholesale power to the Northwest Florida Division delivery points
17 located in Jackson, Calhoun and Liberty Counties. Additional consideration was
18 given to the ability to combine agreements for the Northeast and Northwest
19 Florida Divisions in order to provide additional flexibility, reduced cost and energy
20 resiliency between divisions. Proposals were received from four parties and the
21 evaluation and discussions began immediately thereafter. Based on the
22 differences in the bids submitted, the evaluation required additional time for
23 soliciting additional information to allow for further assessment. After the
24 evaluation was completed, FPL was determined to be the most appropriate

1 selection and additional negotiations were conducted in order to develop a
2 comprehensive purchased power agreement that impacted both the Northwest
3 and Northeast Florida Divisions. On August 12, 2019, the "Native Load Firm All
4 Requirements Power and Energy Agreement" ("Agreement") for the Northwest
5 Florida Division was executed by both parties with an effective date of January 1,
6 2020, and will continue in effect through at least December 31, 2026. Additionally,
7 on August 12, 2019, the "First Amendment to the Native Load Firm All
8 Requirements Power and Energy Agreement" ("Amendment") for the Northeast
9 Florida Division was executed by both parties. The "Amendment" will have the
10 effect of extending the existing agreement for the Northeast Florida Division
11 through December 31, 2026. Both the "Agreement" and "Amendment" include a
12 provision that will allow FPUC the sole right to extend the agreements through
13 December 31, 2030.

14 **Q. Are there other efforts underway to identify projects that will lead to lower cost**
15 **energy for FPUC customers?**

16 A. Yes. FPUC continues to work with consultants, as well as project developers, to
17 identify new projects and opportunities that can lead to increased energy resiliency
18 and reduced fuel costs for our customers. We also continue to analyze the
19 feasibility of energy production and supply opportunities that have been on our
20 planning horizon for some time and noted in prior fuel clause proceedings, namely

1 additional Combined Heat and Power (CHP) projects, potential Solar Photovoltaic
2 (“PV”) projects and associated utility scale battery projects.

3 More specifically, Pierpont & McLelland has been engaged to perform analysis and
4 provide consulting services for FPUC as it relates to the structuring of, and
5 operation under, the Company’s power purchase agreements with the purpose of
6 identifying measures that will minimize cost increases and/or provide
7 opportunities for cost reductions. Locke Lord is a law firm with particular expertise
8 in the regulatory requirements of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.
9 Attorneys with the firm have provided legal guidance and oversight regarding the
10 contracts and regulatory requirements for generation and transmission-related
11 issues for the Northeast Florida Division. The Company’s in-house experience in
12 these areas is limited; thus, without this outside assistance, the Company’s ability
13 to pursue potential purchased power savings opportunities would be limited, as
14 would its ability to properly evaluate proposals to meet our generation and
15 transmission needs and ensure compliance with federal regulatory requirements.
16 Sterling Energy and Christensen Associates have been involved to assist the
17 Company in the most cost-effective means of incorporating additional energy
18 sources, such as power available from certain industrial customers, including
19 customers with Combined Heat and Power (“CHP”) capability, to further reduce
20 the overall purchased power impact to all FPUC customers. Christensen Associates
21 also assisted the Company with analysis regarding the purchase power
22 agreements.

23 **Q. Can you provide additional information on these CHP projects?**

24 **A.** Yes. The success of the Eight Flags project has sparked interest in other CHP
25 opportunities on Amelia Island. When coupled with industrial expansion in the

1 area and the ability to do so within the context of the "Agreement" and
2 "Amendment" with FPL, the already quantifiable benefits of the existing project
3 has piqued the interest of others to contemplate partnering with a new CHP-based
4 project. Given that FPUC would again be the recipient of any power generated by
5 such project, FPUC has been actively involved in the initial development and
6 engineering of a new project located on Amelia Island. Significant efforts have
7 continued to develop this CHP which, similar to Eight Flags, will be located on
8 Amelia Island and will allow FPUC to provide additional reliability and resilience to
9 its electricity supply for its customers on Amelia Island. This second CHP will
10 provide competitively priced electricity for FPUC's customers while providing high
11 pressure steam and hot water to a local industrial customer. Preliminary
12 engineering, financial modeling, operating agreements and Florida Department of
13 Environmental Protection permitting have been completed for this CHP unit. FPUC
14 anticipates that construction will begin on this project in 2022 with the projected
15 in service date of second quarter of 2023.

16 **Q. Can you provide additional information on the PV and battery projects you**
17 **referenced above?**

18 A. Yes. FPUC is continuing analysis related to smaller PV systems within the FPUC
19 electric service territory. Based on the results from the analysis, the economic
20 feasibility of smaller PV installations has been difficult to achieve due to many
21 different factors but work continues to investigate alternatives to improve the
22 feasibility. At this time, FPUC is investigating opportunities involving larger PV
23 installations which have proved to be more economically feasible. Not only will
24 this increase the renewable energy available to FPUC, the cost is expected to

1 complement the overall purchased power portfolio which will provide additional
2 benefits to FPUC customers. The "Agreement" and the "Amendment" have
3 provisions that allow for the development of PV installations by FPUC and provides
4 for the possibility of a partnership between the parties that would allow for the
5 development of a PV project.

6 Additionally, exploration into the inclusion of battery storage capacity in
7 conjunction with the PV installation is being considered. These projects have been
8 difficult to justify economically at this point but are still under consideration by
9 FPUC. Nonetheless, the potential benefits of the PV and battery projects under
10 consideration will be continued.

11 **Q. Does this include your testimony?**

12 **A. Yes.**

1 (Whereupon, prefiled direct testimony of M.
2 Ashley Sizemore was inserted.)

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1 **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

2 **PREPARED DIRECT TESTIMONY**

3 **OF**

4 **M. ASHLEY SIZEMORE**

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6 **Q.** Please state your name, address, occupation, and
7 employer.

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9 **A.** My name is M. Ashley Sizemore. My business address is 702
10 N. Franklin Street, Tampa, Florida 33602. I am employed
11 by Tampa Electric Company ("Tampa Electric" or "Company")
12 in the position of Manager, Rates in the Regulatory
13 Affairs department.

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15 **Q.** Please provide a brief outline of your educational
16 background and business experience.

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18 **A.** I received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science
19 and a Master of Business Administration from the
20 University of South Florida in 2005 and 2008,
21 respectively. I joined Tampa Electric in 2010 as a
22 Customer Service Professional. In 2011, I joined the
23 Regulatory Affairs Department as a Rate Analyst. I spent
24 six years in the Regulatory Affairs Department working on
25 environmental and fuel and capacity cost recovery

1 clauses. During the last three years as a Program Manager
2 in Customer Experience, I managed billing and payment
3 customer solutions, products and services. I returned to
4 the Regulatory Affairs Department in 2020 as Manager,
5 Rates. My duties entail managing cost recovery for fuel
6 and purchased power, interchange sales, capacity
7 payments, and approved environmental projects. I have ten
8 years of electric utility experience in the areas of
9 customer experience and project management as well as the
10 management of fuel clause and purchased power, capacity,
11 and environmental cost recovery clauses.

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13 **Q.** What is the purpose of your testimony?
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15 **A.** The purpose of my testimony is to present, for the
16 Commission's review and approval, the final true-up
17 amounts for the period January 2020 through December 2020
18 for the Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Recovery Clause
19 ("Fuel Clause") and the Capacity Cost Recovery Clause
20 ("Capacity Clause"), as well as the Optimization
21 Mechanism gain sharing allocation for the period.
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23 **Q.** What is the source of the data which you will present by
24 way of testimony or exhibit in this process?
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1 **A.** Unless otherwise indicated, the actual data is taken from
2 the books and records of Tampa Electric. The books and
3 records are kept in the regular course of business in
4 accordance with generally accepted accounting principles
5 and practices and provisions of the Uniform System of
6 Accounts as prescribed by the Florida Public Service
7 Commission ("Commission").

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9 **Q.** Have you prepared an exhibit in this proceeding?

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11 **A.** Yes. Exhibit No. MAS-1, consisting of five documents which
12 are described later in my testimony, was prepared under
13 my direction and supervision.

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15 **Capacity Cost Recovery Clause**

16 **Q.** What is the final true-up amount for the Capacity Clause
17 for the period January 2020 through December 2020?

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19 **A.** The final true-up amount for the Capacity Clause for the
20 period January 2020 through December 2020 is an under-
21 recovery of \$3,354,779.

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23 **Q.** Please describe Document No. 1 of your exhibit.

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25 **A.** Document No. 1, page 1 of 4, entitled "Tampa Electric

1 Company Capacity Cost Recovery Clause Calculation of
2 Final True-up Variances for the Period January 2020
3 Through December 2020", provides the calculation for the
4 final under-recovery of \$3,354,779. The actual capacity
5 cost under-recovery, including interest, was \$1,583,299
6 for the period January 2020 through December 2020 as
7 identified in Document No. 1, pages 1 and 2 of 4. This
8 amount, less the \$1,771,480 actual/estimated over-
9 recovery approved in Order No. PSC-2020-0439-FOF-EI
10 issued November 16, 2020 in Docket No. 20200001-EI,
11 results in a final under-recovery of \$3,354,779 for the
12 period, as identified in Document No. 1, page 4 of 4. This
13 amount will be applied to the calculation of the capacity
14 cost recovery factors for the period January 2022 through
15 December 2022.

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17 **Q.** What is the estimated effect of this \$3,354,779 under-
18 recovery for the January 2020 through December 2020 period
19 on residential bills during the January 2022 through
20 December 2022 period?

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22 **A.** The \$3,354,779 under-recovery will increase a 1,000 kWh
23 residential bill by approximately \$0.20.
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1 **Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Recovery Clause**

2 **Q.** What is the final true-up amount for the Fuel Clause for
3 the period January 2020 through December 2020?

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5 **A.** The final Fuel Clause true-up for the period January 2020
6 through December 2020 is an over-recovery of \$3,769,256.
7 The actual fuel cost under-recovery, including interest,
8 was \$21,709,799 for the period January 2020 through
9 December 2020. This \$21,709,799 amount, less the
10 \$25,479,055 projected under-recovery amount approved in
11 Order No. PSC-2020-0439-FOF-EI, issued November 16, 2020
12 in Docket No. 20200001-EI, results in a net over-recovery
13 amount for the period of \$3,769,256.

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15 **Q.** What is the estimated effect of the \$3,769,256 over-
16 recovery for the January 2020 through December 2020 period
17 on residential bills during the January 2022 through
18 December 2022 period?

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20 **A.** The \$3,769,256 over-recovery will decrease a 1,000 kWh
21 residential bill by approximately \$0.19.

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23 **Q.** Please describe Document No. 2 of your exhibit.

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25 **A.** Document No. 2 is entitled "Tampa Electric Company Final

1 Fuel and Purchased Power Over/(Under) Recovery for the
2 Period January 2020 Through December 2020." It shows the
3 calculation of the final fuel over-recovery of
4 \$3,769,256.

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6 Line 1 shows the total company fuel costs of \$488,777,177
7 for the period January 2020 through December 2020. The
8 jurisdictional amount of total fuel costs is
9 \$488,777,177, as shown on line 2. This amount is compared
10 to the jurisdictional fuel revenues applicable to the
11 period on line 3 to obtain the actual under-recovered fuel
12 costs for the period, shown on line 4. The resulting
13 \$39,947,745 under-recovered fuel costs for the period,
14 adjustments, interest, true-up collected, and the prior
15 period true-up shown on lines 5 through 8 respectively,
16 constitute the actual under-recovery amount of
17 \$21,709,799 shown on line 9. The \$21,709,799 actual under-
18 recovery amount less the \$25,479,055 projected under-
19 recovery amount shown on line 10, results in a final over-
20 recovery amount of \$3,769,256 for the period January 2020
21 through December 2020, as shown on line 11.

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23 **Q.** Please describe Document No. 3 of your exhibit.

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25 **A.** Document No. 3 is entitled "Tampa Electric Company

1 Calculation of True-up Amount Actual vs. Original
2 Estimates for the Period January 2020 Through December
3 2020." It shows the calculation of the actual under-
4 recovery compared to the estimate for the same period.

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6 **Q.** What was the total fuel and net power transaction cost
7 variance for the period January 2020 through December
8 2020?

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10 **A.** As shown on line A7 of Document No. 3, the fuel and net
11 power transaction cost is \$3,208,019 less than the amount
12 originally estimated.

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14 **Q.** What was the variance in jurisdictional fuel revenues for
15 the period January 2020 through December 2020?

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17 **A.** As shown on line C3 of Document No. 3, the company
18 collected \$11,600,930, or 2.7 percent greater
19 jurisdictional fuel revenues than originally estimated.

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21 **Q.** Please describe Document No. 4 of your exhibit.

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23 **A.** Document No. 4 contains Commission Schedules A1 and A2
24 for the month of December and the year-end period-to-date
25 summary of transactions for each of Commission Schedules

1 A6, A7, A8, A9, as well as capacity information on
2 Schedule A12. Regarding Document 4, Schedule A-12, has
3 been updated from that provided to the Commission on
4 January 25, 2021 to reflect capacity costs associated with
5 three short-term contracts that became effective on
6 December 1, 2020 but were not included in error. The
7 updated amount increased capacity costs by \$1,120,000 and
8 is reflected in Document 4.

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10 **Optimization Mechanism**

11 **Q.** Was Tampa Electric's sharing of Optimization Mechanism
12 gains allocated in accordance with FPSC Order No.
13 PSC-2017-0456-S-EI, issued in Docket Nos. 20170210-EI and
14 20160160-EI, on November 27, 2017?

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16 **A.** Yes. As shown in the testimony and exhibit of Tampa
17 Electric witness John C. Heisey filed contemporaneously
18 in this docket, the sharing of Optimization Mechanism
19 gains was allocated in accordance with FPSC Order No.
20 PSC-2017-0456-S-EI. Total gains were \$6,642,047. Under
21 the sharing mechanism, Tampa Electric customers receive
22 \$5,356,819, and the company earned an incentive of
23 \$1,285,228 as a result of the company's Optimization
24 Mechanism activities during 2020. Customers received the
25 gains from these transactions during 2020, and Tampa

1 Electric requests Commission approval to collect the
2 company's \$1,285,228 incentive in its 2022 fuel factors.

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4 **Q.** Does this conclude your testimony?

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6 **A.** Yes, it does.

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1 **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

2 **PREPARED DIRECT TESTIMONY**

3 **OF**

4 **M. ASHLEY SIZEMORE**

5 **Q.** Please state your name, address, occupation, and
6 employer.

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8 **A.** My name is M. Ashley Sizemore. My business address is 702
9 N. Franklin Street, Tampa, Florida 33602. I am employed
10 by Tampa Electric Company ("Tampa Electric" or "company")
11 in the position of Manager, Rates, in the Regulatory
12 Affairs department.

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14 **Q.** Please provide a brief outline of your educational
15 background and business experience.

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17 **A.** I received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science
18 and a Master of Business Administration degree from the
19 University of South Florida in 2005 and 2008,
20 respectively. I joined Tampa Electric in 2010 as a
21 Customer Service Professional. In 2011, I joined the
22 Regulatory Affairs Department as a Rate Analyst. I spent
23 six years in the Regulatory Affairs Department working on
24 environmental, fuel and capacity cost recovery clauses.
25 During the last three years as a Program Manager in

1 Customer Experience, I managed billing and payment
2 customer solutions, products and services. I returned to
3 the Regulatory Affairs Department in 2020 as Manager,
4 Rates. My duties entail managing cost recovery for fuel
5 and purchased power, interchange sales, capacity
6 payments, and approved environmental projects. I have
7 over ten years of electric utility experience in the areas
8 of customer experience and project management as well as
9 the management of fuel and purchased power, capacity, and
10 environmental cost recovery clauses.

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12 **Q.** What is the purpose of your direct testimony?

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14 **A.** The purpose of my testimony is to present, for Commission
15 review and approval, the calculation of the January 2021
16 through December 2021 fuel and purchased power and
17 capacity actual/estimated true-up amounts to be recovered
18 in the period September 2021 through December 2021, as
19 referenced in Tampa Electric's Petition for Mid-course
20 Correction of its Fuel Cost Recovery Factors and Capacity
21 Cost Recovery Factors ("MCC petition"), filed on July 19,
22 2021 in this docket, or in the alternative over the
23 January 2022 through December 2022 projection period. My
24 testimony addresses the recovery of the fuel and purchased
25 power costs as well as capacity costs for the year 2021,

1 based on six months of actual data and six months of
2 estimated data. This information will be used in the
3 determination of the 2022 fuel and purchased power and
4 capacity cost recovery factors.

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6 **Q.** Have you prepared an exhibit to support your direct
7 testimony?

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9 **A.** Yes, I have prepared Exhibit No. MAS-2, which consists of
10 four documents. Document No. 1 includes schedules E1-A,
11 E1-B, E-2, E-3, E-4, E-5, E-6, E-7, E-8, and E-9, which
12 provide the actual/estimated fuel and purchased power
13 cost recovery true-up amount for the period January 2021
14 through December 2021, which reflect Tampa Electric's
15 mid-course correction filing, with the projected under-
16 recovery being recovered through the period of September
17 2021 through December 2021. Document No. 2 provides the
18 actual/estimated capacity cost recovery true-up amount
19 for the period January 2021 through December 2021, which
20 reflect Tampa Electric's mid-course correction filing,
21 with the projected under-recovery being recovered through
22 the period of September 2021 through December 2021.
23 Document No. 3 includes schedules E1-A, E1-B, E-2, E-3,
24 E-4, E-5, E-6, E-7, E-8, and E-9, which provide the
25 actual/estimated fuel and purchased power cost recovery

1 true-up amount for the period January 2021 through
2 December 2021, without the proposed mid-course
3 correction. Document No. 4 provides the actual/estimated
4 capacity cost recovery true-up amount for the period
5 January 2021 through December 2021, without the proposed
6 mid-course correction.

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8 **Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Recovery Factors**

9 **Q.** What has Tampa Electric calculated as the estimated net
10 true-up amount for the current period to be applied in
11 the January 2022 through December 2022 fuel and purchased
12 power cost recovery factors?

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14 **A.** If the company's MCC petition is approved, the estimated
15 net true-up amount applicable for the period of January
16 2021 through December 2021 is an under-recovery of
17 \$325,418. In the alternative, if the Commission does not
18 approve Tampa Electric's MCC petition, then Tampa
19 Electric's estimated net true-up amount applicable for
20 the period of January 2021 through December 2021 is an
21 under-recovery of \$73,680,277.

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23 **Q.** How did Tampa Electric calculate the estimated net true-
24 up to be applied in the January 2022 through December
25 2022 fuel and purchased power cost recovery factors?

1 **A.** The net true-up amount to be recovered in 2022 includes
2 the final true-up amount for the period January 2020
3 through December 2020 and the actual/estimated true-up
4 amount for the period January 2021 through December 2021.
5 The calculations are shown on Schedule E1-A of Exhibit
6 No. MAS-2, Documents No. 1 and No. 3.

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8 **Q.** What did Tampa Electric calculate as the final fuel and
9 purchased power cost recovery amount for 2020?

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11 **A.** The final true-up is an over-recovery of \$3,769,256. The
12 actual fuel cost under-recovery, including interest is
13 \$21,709,799 for the period January 2020 through December
14 2020. The \$21,709,799 amount, less the projected under-
15 recovery amount of \$25,479,055 approved in Order No. PSC-
16 2020-0439-FOF-EI, issued November 16, 2020 in Docket No.
17 20200001-EI results in a net-over recovery amount for the
18 period of \$3,769,256.

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20 If the Commission approves Tampa Electric's MCC petition,
21 the final 2020 true-up amount will be \$0 because it is
22 already included in the mid-course factors. If the
23 Commission does not approve the company's MCC petition,
24 the final 2020 over-recovery amount to be applied to the
25 2022 factors is an over-recovery amount of \$3,769,256 as

1 described above.

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3 **Q.** What did Tampa Electric calculate as the actual/estimated
4 fuel and purchased power cost recovery amount for the
5 period January 2021 through December 2021?

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7 **A.** If the Commission approves Tampa Electric's MCC petition,
8 the actual/estimated fuel and purchased power cost
9 recovery true-up is an under-recovery amount of \$325,418.
10 If the Commission does not approve Tampa Electric's MCC
11 petition, the actual/estimated 2021 fuel true-up amount
12 is an under-recovery amount of \$77,449,533 for the January
13 2021 through December 2021 period. The detailed
14 calculations supporting the actual/estimated current
15 period true-up is shown in Exhibit No. MAS-2, Schedule
16 E1-B on Documents No. 1 and 3.

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18 **Q.** What are the primary drivers of the expected 2021 fuel
19 under-recovery amount?

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21 **A.** As described in the company's MCC petition, the primary
22 reason for the expected 2021 under-recovery is a
23 substantial increase in the price of natural gas, compared
24 to the company's original 2021 projection.

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1 **Capacity Cost Recovery Clause**

2 **Q.** What has Tampa Electric calculated as the estimated net
3 true-up amount to be applied in the January 2022 through
4 December 2022 capacity cost recovery factors?

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6 **A.** If the company's MCC petition is approved, the estimated
7 net true-up amount applicable for January 2022 through
8 December 2022 is an under-recovery of \$25,180 as shown in
9 Exhibit No. MAS-2, Documents No. 2 and 4, page 1 of 4. In
10 the alternative, if the Commission does not approve Tampa
11 Electric's MCC petition, Tampa Electric's estimated net
12 true-up amount applicable for the period of January 2022
13 through December 2022 is an under-recovery of \$9,628,629.

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15 **Q.** How did Tampa Electric calculate the estimated net true-
16 up amount to be applied in the January 2022 through
17 December 2022 capacity cost recovery factors?

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19 **A.** The net true-up amount to be recovered in the 2022
20 capacity cost recovery factors includes the final true-
21 up amount for 2020 and the actual/estimated true-up amount
22 for January 2021 and December 2021.

23
24 **Q.** What did Tampa Electric calculate as the final capacity
25 true-up amount for 2020?

1 **A.** The final 2020 true-up is an under-recovery of \$3,354,779.
2 The actual capacity cost under-recovery, including
3 interest, was \$1,583,299 for the period January 2020
4 through December 2020. This amount, less the \$1,771,480
5 actual/estimated over-recovery amount approved in Order
6 No. PSC-2020-0439-FOF-EI, issued November 16, 2020 in
7 Docket No. 20200001-EI results in a net under-recovery
8 amount for the period of \$3,354,779 as identified in
9 Exhibit No. MAS-2, Documents No. 2 and 4, page 1 of 4.

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11 If the company's MCC petition is approved, the final 2020
12 true-up amount will be \$0 since it is included in the
13 mid-course factors. If the Commission does not approve
14 Tampa Electric's MCC petition, then the final 2020 true-
15 up amount is an under-recovery of \$3,354,779 as described
16 above.

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18 **Q.** What did Tampa Electric calculate as the net capacity
19 cost recovery true-up amount for the period January 2021
20 through December 2021?

21
22 **A.** If Tampa Electric's MCC petition is approved, then the
23 net capacity cost recovery true-up amount for the period
24 January 2021 through December 2021 is an under-recovery
25 of \$25,180. In the alternative, if the Commission does

1 not approve the company's MCC petition, the 2021 net
2 capacity cost recovery true-up amount is an under-
3 recovery of \$6,273,850. This calculation is shown on
4 Exhibit No. MAS-2, Documents No. 2 and 4, page 1 of 4.

5
6 **Q.** What are the primary drivers of the 2021 capacity under-
7 recovery?

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9 **A.** During the first quarter of 2021, Tampa Electric entered
10 three power purchase transactions. The first two
11 transactions are with Florida Power & Light, for 150 MW
12 each, for the periods March 2021 through November 2021
13 and April 2021 through October 2021. These transactions
14 also incur transmission costs. They are non-firm, must-
15 take transactions.

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17 The third transaction is with Duke Energy Florida for 515
18 MW of non-firm energy for the period March 2021 through
19 November 2021 and does not include a must-take obligation.
20 The transaction is called on a month-ahead basis, and
21 Tampa Electric has elected to receive energy for June,
22 July and August. The company also anticipates that it
23 will use this transaction for September and October 2021.

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25 **Q.** Does this conclude your direct testimony?

1 **A.** Yes, it does.

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1 **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

2 **PREPARED DIRECT TESTIMONY**

3 **OF**

4 **M. ASHLEY SIZEMORE**

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6 **Q.** Please state your name, address, occupation, and
7 employer.

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9 **A.** My name is M. Ashley Sizemore. My business address is 702
10 N. Franklin Street, Tampa, Florida 33602. I am employed
11 by Tampa Electric Company ("Tampa Electric" or "company")
12 in the position of Manager, Rates in the Regulatory
13 Affairs department.

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15 **Q.** Have you previously filed testimony in Docket
16 No. 20210001-EI?

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18 **A.** Yes, I submitted direct testimony on April 2, 2021 and
19 July 27, 2021. I submitted revisions to my April 2, 2021
20 testimony on July 23, 2021.

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22 **Q.** Has your job description, education, or professional
23 experience changed since you last filed testimony in this
24 docket?

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1 **A.** No, they have not.

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3 **Q.** What is the purpose of your testimony?

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5 **A.** The purpose of my testimony is to present, for Commission
6 review and approval, the proposed annual capacity cost
7 recovery factors, and the proposed annual levelized fuel
8 and purchased power cost recovery factors for January 2022
9 through December 2022. I also describe significant events
10 that affect the factors and provide an overview of the
11 composite effect on the residential bill of changes in
12 the various cost recovery factors for 2022.

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14 **Q.** Have you prepared an exhibit to support your direct
15 testimony?

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17 **A.** Yes. Exhibit No. MAS-3, consisting of three documents,
18 was prepared under my direction and supervision. Document
19 No. 1, consisting of four pages, is furnished as support
20 for the projected capacity cost recovery factors.
21 Document No. 2, which is furnished as support for the
22 proposed levelized fuel and purchased power cost recovery
23 factors, includes Schedules E1 through E10 for January
24 2022 through December 2022 as well as Schedule H1 for
25 2019 through 2022. Document No. 3 provides a comparison

1 of retail residential fuel revenues under the inverted or
2 tiered fuel rate, which demonstrates that the tiered rate
3 is revenue neutral.
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5 **Q.** Are you requesting Commission approval of the projected
6 fuel and capacity cost recovery factors for the company's
7 various rate schedules?
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9 **A.** Yes, with one caveat. On August 6, 2021, Tampa Electric
10 filed a 2021 Stipulation and Settlement Agreement ("2021
11 Agreement") in Docket No. 20210034-EI, Petition for rate
12 increase by Tampa Electric Company, which is currently
13 scheduled for hearing on October 21, 2021. Among other
14 things, the 2021 Agreement includes proposed changes to
15 the company's existing rate design across rate classes.
16 The company plans to file revised fuel and capacity clause
17 schedules that reflect the 2021 Agreement in the coming
18 weeks and request approval of those factors for the period
19 January through December 2022. However, if the settlement
20 agreement is not approved by the Commission, then the
21 company requests approval of the factors provided in
22 Exhibit No. MAS-3, Document Nos. 1 and 2, for the period
23 January 2022 until the issues in Docket No. 20210034-EI
24 are resolved. These factors were prepared under my
25 direction and supervision.

1 Q. How were the fuel and capacity cost recovery clause
2 factors calculated?

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4 A. The fuel and capacity cost recovery factors were
5 calculated as shown on Document Nos. 1 and 2. These
6 factors were calculated based on the current approved rate
7 design and schedules as set out in the 2017 Amended and
8 Restated Settlement Agreement approved by the Commission
9 in Docket No. 20170271-EI, which amended and extended the
10 2013 Stipulation that resolved the company's last base
11 rate case (Docket No. 20130040-EI).

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13 **Capacity Cost Recovery**

14 Q. Are you requesting Commission approval of the projected
15 capacity cost recovery factors for the company's various
16 rate schedules?

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18 A. Yes. As previously stated, if the company's 2021 Agreement
19 is not approved, then Tampa Electric seeks approval of
20 the proposed capacity cost recovery factors, prepared
21 under my direction and supervision, that are provided in
22 Exhibit No. MAS-3, Document No. 1, page 3 of 4.

23
24 Q. What payments are included in Tampa Electric's capacity
25 cost recovery factors?

1 **A.** Tampa Electric is requesting recovery of capacity
 2 payments for power purchased for retail customers,
 3 excluding optional provision purchases for interruptible
 4 customers, through the capacity cost recovery factors. As
 5 shown in Exhibit No. MAS-3, Document No. 1, page 2 of 4,
 6 Tampa Electric requests recovery of \$25,180 after
 7 jurisdictional separation, prior year true-up, and
 8 application of the revenue tax factor for estimated
 9 expenses in 2022.

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11 **Q.** Please summarize the proposed capacity cost recovery
 12 factors by metering voltage level effective beginning in
 13 January 2022, if the company's 2021 Agreement is not
 14 approved, for which Tampa Electric is seeking approval.

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16 A.	Rate Class and	Capacity Cost	Recovery Factor
17	<u>Metering Voltage</u>	<u>Cents per kWh</u>	<u>\$ per kW</u>
18	RS Secondary	0.031	
19	GS and CS Secondary	0.027	
20	GSD, SBF Standard		
21	Secondary		0.09
22	Primary		0.09
23	Transmission		0.09
24	IS, IST, SBI		
25	Primary		0.07

1	Transmission	0.07
2	GSD Optional	
3	Secondary	0.021
4	Primary	0.021
5	Transmission	0.021
6	LS1 Secondary	0.004

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8 These factors are shown in Exhibit No. MAS-3, Document
9 No. 1, page 3 of 4.

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11 **Q.** How does Tampa Electric's proposed average capacity cost
12 recovery factor of 0.026 cents per kWh compare to the
13 factor for September 2021 through December 2021?

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15 **A.** The proposed capacity cost recovery factor of 0.026 cents
16 per kWh beginning in January 2022 is 0.118 cents per kWh
17 (or \$1.18 per 1,000 kWh) less than the average capacity
18 cost recovery factor credit of 0.144 cents per kWh for
19 the September 2021 through December 2021 period.

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21 **Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Recovery Factor**

22 **Q.** What is the appropriate amount of the levelized fuel and
23 purchased power cost recovery factor for the period
24 beginning in January 2022?

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1 **A.** As I previously stated, approval of the company's pending
2 2021 Agreement would require modifications to the rate
3 schedules for these factors. If the Commission does not
4 approve the company's settlement agreement, then the
5 appropriate amount for the period beginning in January
6 2022 is 3.057 cents per kWh before the application of the
7 time of use multipliers for on-peak or off-peak usage.
8 Schedule E1-E of Exhibit No. MAS-3, Document No. 2, shows
9 the appropriate value for the total fuel and purchased
10 power cost recovery factor for each metering voltage level
11 as projected for the period January 2022 through December
12 2022.

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14 **Q.** Please describe the information provided on Schedule
15 E1-C.

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17 **A.** The Generating Performance Incentive Factor ("GPIF"),
18 true-up factors, and Optimization Mechanism factor are
19 provided on Schedule E1-C. Tampa Electric has calculated
20 a GPIF reward of \$3,673,726, which is included in the
21 calculation of the total fuel and purchased power cost
22 recovery factors. In addition, Schedule E1-C indicates
23 the net true-up amount to be applied during the January
24 2022 through December 2022 period. The net true-up amount
25 is an under-recovery of \$325,418. Lastly, Schedule E1-C

1 indicates the Optimization Mechanism gain of \$1,285,228.

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3 **Q.** Please describe the information provided on Schedule
4 E1-D.

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6 **A.** Schedule E1-D presents Tampa Electric's on-peak and off-
7 peak fuel adjustment factors for January 2022 through
8 December 2022. The schedule also presents Tampa
9 Electric's levelized fuel cost factors at each metering
10 level.

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12 **Q.** Please describe the information presented on Schedule
13 E1-E.

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15 **A.** Schedule E1-E presents the standard, tiered, on-peak, and
16 off-peak fuel adjustment factors at each metering voltage
17 to be applied to customer bills.

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19 **Q.** Please describe the information provided in Document
20 No. 3.

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22 **A.** Exhibit No. MAS-3, Document No. 3 demonstrates that the
23 tiered rate structure is designed to be revenue neutral
24 so that the company will recover the same fuel costs as
25 it would under the levelized fuel approach.

1 **Q.** Please summarize the proposed fuel and purchased power
 2 cost recovery factors by metering voltage level for the
 3 period beginning in January 2022.

5	A. Metering Voltage Level	Fuel Charge Factor
6		(Cents per kWh)
7	Secondary	3.057
8	Tier I (Up to 1,000 kWh)	2.745
9	Tier II (Over 1,000 kWh)	3.745
10	Distribution Primary	3.026
11	Transmission	2.996
12	Lighting Service	3.008
13	Distribution Secondary	3.318 (on-peak)
14		2.944 (off-peak)
15	Distribution Primary	3.285 (on-peak)
16		2.915 (off-peak)
17	Transmission	3.252 (on-peak)
18		2.885 (off-peak)

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 20 **Q.** How does Tampa Electric's proposed levelized fuel
 21 adjustment factor of 3.057 cents per kWh compare to the
 22 levelized fuel adjustment factor for the September 2021
 23 through December 2021 period?

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 25 **A.** The proposed fuel charge factor of 3.057 cents per kWh is

1 1.198 cents per kWh (or \$11.98 per 1,000 kWh) lower than
2 the average fuel charge factor of 4.255 cents per kWh for
3 the September 2021 through December 2021 period.
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5 **Wholesale Incentive Benchmark and Optimization Mechanism**

6 **Q.** Will Tampa Electric project a 2022 wholesale incentive
7 benchmark that is derived in accordance with Order No.
8 PSC-2001-2371-FOF-EI issued in Docket No. 20010283-EI?
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10 **A.** No. Effective January 1, 2018, as authorized by FPSC Order
11 No. PSC-2017-0456-S-EI, issued in Docket No. 20160160-EI
12 on November 27, 2017, the company's Optimization
13 Mechanism replaced the short-term wholesale sales
14 incentive mechanism, and as a result no wholesale
15 incentive benchmark is required for the 2022 projection.
16 However, if the settlement agreement is not approved by
17 the Commission, then Tampa Electric's projected 2022
18 benchmark for non-separated wholesale sales would be
19 \$767,628. The \$767,628 is the three-year average of
20 \$1,498,686, \$422,867 and \$381,332 in gains for 2019, 2020
21 and 2021 (actual/estimated).
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23 **Cost Recovery Factors**

24 **Q.** What is the composite effect of Tampa Electric's proposed
25 changes in its base, capacity, fuel and purchased power,

1 environmental, and energy conservation cost recovery
2 factors on a 1,000 kWh residential customer's bill if the
3 company's 2021 Agreement is not approved?
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5 **A.** The composite effect on a residential bill for 1,000 kWh
6 is a decrease of \$12.47 in the period beginning January
7 2022, when compared to the September 2021 through December
8 2021 charges. These amounts are shown in Exhibit No.
9 MAS-3, Document No. 2, on Schedule E10.
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11 **Q.** When should the new rates take effect?
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13 **A.** The new rates should take effect concurrent with meter
14 readings for the first billing cycle for January 2022.
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16 **Q.** Does this conclude your direct testimony?
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18 **A.** Yes.
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