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BEFORE THE  
FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

DOCKET NO. 20230001-EI

In re: Fuel and purchased power  
cost recovery clause with generating  
performance incentive factor.

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PROCEEDINGS: PREHEARING CONFERENCE

COMMISSIONERS  
PARTICIPATING: COMMISSIONER MIKE LA ROSA

DATE: Tuesday, October 17, 2023

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

2 COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: Okay. Then let's move  
3 into -- out of the 07 and into the 01 docket.

4 Ms. Brownless, are there any preliminary  
5 matters that we need to address before we review  
6 the draft prehearing?

7 MS. BROWNLESS: Not to my knowledge, sir.

8 COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: Okay. Do the parties  
9 have any preliminary matters at this time?

10 MR. SHEF WRIGHT: Commissioner --

11 COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: Yes, sir.

12 MR. SHEF WRIGHT: -- just very briefly.

13 COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: Sure.

14 MR. SHEF WRIGHT: Normal practice is that we  
15 have until, like, the close of business tomorrow to  
16 give final positions, is that going to apply here?

17 COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: Yeah, so if there are  
18 any --

19 MR. SHEF WRIGHT: Thank you. That's great.

20 COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: -- changes, by five  
21 o'clock tomorrow, the 18th.

22 MR. SHEF WRIGHT: Perfect. Thank you.

23 COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: No problem.

24 Then let's, again, move through the order here  
25 of the sections. Again, I will move fast through

1           these first few sections.

2                   Section I, Case Background.

3                   Section II, Conduct in Proceedings.

4                   Section III, Jurisdiction.

5                   Section IV, Procedure of Handling Confidential  
6 Information.

7                   Section V, Prefiled Testimony and Exhibits,  
8 Witnesses.

9                   MS. BROWNLESS: At this time, sir, a time will  
10 need to be set for witness summaries to the extent  
11 we have any witnesses.

12                  MR. ROSEN: Okay. Time limit for witness  
13 summaries will be three minutes --

14                  MS. BROWNLESS: Yes, sir.

15                  COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: -- is that fair?

16                   Is there anything else?

17                  MS. BROWNLESS: No, sir.

18                  COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: Okay. Let's move to  
19 the order of witnesses. Are there any changes to  
20 the order of witnesses?

21                  MS. BROWNLESS: We are not aware of any  
22 changes at this time.

23                  COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: Okay. Are there any  
24 witnesses that need to be excused?

25                  MS. BROWNLESS: My understanding is that DEF

1 witness Jim McClay is unable to attend the final  
2 hearing. That being the case, DEF would like to  
3 either get agreement from all parties to stipulate  
4 Mr. McClay's testimony and exhibits into the record  
5 and excuse Mr. McClay, or allow another DEF witness  
6 to adopt the testimony and exhibits of Mr. McClay  
7 and be available for final hearing.

8 We are willing to either, meaning staff, is  
9 willing to either stipulate Mr. McClay's testimony  
10 and exhibits into the record or excuse him or --  
11 and excuse him, or allow the adoption of this  
12 testimony by another witness. At this time, it  
13 would be appropriate to hear from the other parties  
14 whether they are willing to stipulate to the  
15 testimony and exhibits of Mr. McClay, or would  
16 allow the substitution of another witness.

17 COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: Let's do that, parties.

18 OPC?

19 MR. REHWINKEL: The Public Counsel, assuming  
20 the state of the record of this docket and the  
21 other four are as we think it is, that Type 2  
22 stipulations ensue, we don't see the need for any  
23 witness to appear at the hearing, but we certainly  
24 can affirmatively state that Mr. McClay can appear  
25 -- can be entered in the record by stipulation.

1           COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: Okay. Do you have any  
2 thoughts, Mr. Brew?

3           MR. BREW: No. PCS agrees with that.

4           MR. BRISCAR: Nucor has no objection.

5           MR. MOYLE: FIPUG has a slight wrinkle on this  
6 issue, the particular witness is a risk management  
7 witness, and we worked out an agreement with Duke  
8 and I think all the parties. So as long as that  
9 agreement gets adopted and is part of the record  
10 with respect to hedging, then we don't need to talk  
11 to the, you know, to the witness. So I just -- I  
12 don't know what the plan is for memorializing the  
13 workout that we got with Duke, and I think the  
14 other parties had a few words to add to the  
15 stipulation. So as long as the stipulation goes,  
16 we are okay excusing the witness. If the  
17 stipulation doesn't go, then we want to talk to the  
18 witness.

19           COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: Okay. I will go to  
20 Duke.

21           Is the stipulation as whatever is being  
22 discussed and agreed to?

23           MR. BERNIER: Yes, good morning, Commissioner.  
24 Matt Bernier for Duke Energy.

25           We have circulated that language. I think we



1           have agreement from all of the parties. I may not  
2           have heard from everybody yet. I am looking to  
3           you, Mr. Wright, but we will get there. We will  
4           get it worked out and we are working through it  
5           with staff and everything, so I think we are going  
6           to be on that good spot.

7           COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: Okay.

8           MR. MOYLE: My question just was where will it  
9           be memorialized? Will it be in the record somehow?

10          MS. BROWNLESS: Will have a proposed  
11          stipulation, Jon, that we send to everybody that  
12          has the revised language. And my understanding is  
13          that everybody has agreed to that language, to the  
14          best of my belief. We will be discussing that in a  
15          little bit when we get to stipulations.

16          MR. MOYLE: I am not trying to create an  
17          issue. I just want to make sure, this is an  
18          important issue to my folks, that we memorialize  
19          the agreement. Thank you.

20          MS. BROWNLESS: We got it.

21          MR. MOYLE: So we are good.

22          COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: Okay. Thank you.

23          MR. SHEF WRIGHT: Thank you, Commissioner.  
24          The Retail Federation concurs with the position  
25          articulated by Mr. Moyle.

1           I have been out of town five of the last six  
2           days, and I have not seen the proposed stipulation.  
3           I am sure I am going to agree with it. I have  
4           discussed it with Ms. Brownless, and also with  
5           other parties. I am sure it's going to be fine.  
6           We certainly have no objection to Mr. McClay being  
7           stip -- Mr. McClay's testimony and exhibits being  
8           stipulated in, and to his being excused.

9           Thank you.

10           COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: Okay. It sounds like  
11           we are on the right track with that, staff, you  
12           agree?

13           MS. BROWNLESS: Yes, sir. I think everybody  
14           is -- once Mr. Wright has an opportunity to look at  
15           the most current proposed stipulation language,  
16           which was provided to everyone, I think it will be  
17           fine.

18           And having said that, with the understanding  
19           that we get that worked out with the stipulated  
20           language that's been provided, it doesn't appear to  
21           staff at this time that there are any contested  
22           issues. And I would like to poll the parties to  
23           see if the other witnesses could, in fact, also be  
24           excused, and their testimony and exhibits admitted  
25           into the record.

1           COMMISSIONER LA ROSA:  Let's get some comments  
2           from the parties.

3           MR. REHWINKEL:  As I have said, we concur with  
4           that assessment.

5           MR. BREW:  We don't see any disputed issues at  
6           this point.

7           MR. BRISCAR:  Nucor can agree that we don't  
8           see any disputed issues.  Thank you.

9           MR. MOYLE:  FIPUG can agree subject to the  
10          prior discussion on the --

11          COMMISSIONER LA ROSA:  Sure.

12          MR. MOYLE:  -- on the fuel management hedging  
13          issue.

14          COMMISSIONER LA ROSA:  Okay.

15          MR. SHEF WRIGHT:  I have discussed this  
16          previously with Ms. Brownless, and we are in  
17          agreement that we don't have any need for any of  
18          the witnesses to be present.  They can all be  
19          excused as far as the Retail Federation is  
20          concerned.

21          Thank you.

22          COMMISSIONER LA ROSA:  Okay.  I think we got  
23          what we needed.  Then let's move on to issues and  
24          positions, staff.

25          MS. BROWNLESS:  That's good.

1           COMMISSIONER LA ROSA:  Yeah, let me know if I  
2           need to back up.

3           MS. BROWNLESS:  I am sorry?

4           COMMISSIONER LA ROSA:  Just let me know if I  
5           need to back up.  I think we were good on --

6           MS. BROWNLESS:  No.  I think we are good.  I  
7           think we have heard everybody say that excusing the  
8           witnesses and inserting their testimony and  
9           exhibits into the record is acceptable to  
10          everybody.  So now we are moving on to basic  
11          positions.

12          COMMISSIONER LA ROSA:  Let's do that.

13          MS. BROWNLESS:  Does anybody have any problem  
14          with any of the basic positions?

15          COMMISSIONER LA ROSA:  Seeing none, then --  
16          yeah, then let's move to issues and positions.

17          MS. BROWNLESS:  Okay.  And this is the regular  
18          speech that you have heard in all the previous  
19          dockets.

20          The OEP requires that each party take a  
21          position at the prehearing unless good cause can be  
22          shown why they can't do so.  If a party's position  
23          in the draft prehearing order is listed as no  
24          position at this time, that party must change it  
25          today or show cause why it can't -- show good cause

1           why it can't take a position. Absent a showing of  
2           good cause, the prehearing order will reflect no  
3           position for that party on that issue. If the  
4           parties have not taken a position, or wish to  
5           change a specific position, staff suggests that  
6           they be allowed to do so tomorrow by 5:00. A no  
7           position on an issue prohibits any party from  
8           cross-examining witnesses with regard to those  
9           issues or briefing on those issues.

10                   And I think that since we've all decided that  
11           the witnesses are stipulated to, and their -- as  
12           well as their exhibits, and I believe OPC has  
13           indicated it has taken its final positions, is that  
14           correct?

15                   MR. REHWINKEL: Yes. We -- what we sent in --  
16           I will look at the stipulation that Mr. Moyle  
17           referred to, and we will either affirmatively agree  
18           with that in writing -- although, I have orally  
19           done it here -- or we will provide the language  
20           that appends to our existing hedging positions.

21                   MS. BROWNLESS: Okay. So am I correct, then,  
22           that with OPC's statement, that we have, in fact,  
23           gotten positions from everybody at this time?

24                   MR. SHEF WRIGHT: Commissioner, I will need to  
25           clarify some of the positions on which we currently

1           have taken no position at this time, but I will  
2           handle that no later than tomorrow.

3           MS. BROWNLESS: Great. Thank you so much.

4           MR. BREW: Just as a matter of clarification,  
5           Commissioner. PCS's positions on 1B and 10 should  
6           reflect agree with OPC, rather than no position.

7           COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: Okay. So noted.

8           FIPUG, was there something else?

9           MR. MOYLE: No, I just -- you know, the five  
10          o'clock tomorrow is throughout all the dockets, I  
11          mean, it just gives us a little time to do a quick  
12          final review.

13          COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: Yeah.

14          MR. MOYLE: We are good --

15          COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: 100 percent.

16          MR. MOYLE: -- we don't have any issues.

17          COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: Okay. Anything else?

18          MS. BROWNLESS: I am just trying to get an  
19          idea here, Mr. Moyle.

20          COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: Staff are, we good,  
21          then, on all the items? I don't need to go through  
22          them each?

23          MS. BROWNLESS: Yes, sir, I think we are good.

24          COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: Okay. I think all the  
25          parties are in agreement, understanding what the

1 deadlines look like for tomorrow. Then can we move  
2 to the exhibit list?

3 MS. BROWNLESS: Aren't we going to go down the  
4 issues?

5 COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: Sure. Sure. Let's --  
6 okay, let's do that. Do you want to start us off  
7 or do you want me to go through them?

8 MS. BROWNLESS: Sure.

9 Company specific fuel adjustment issues,  
10 Issues 1A through 4B, are those okay with  
11 everybody?

12 Generic fuel adjustment, Issues 5 through 10.

13 There are no company specific issues this  
14 year, so we will move to generic generating  
15 performance incentive factor issues, Issues 14  
16 through 15.

17 Fuel factor calculation, Issues 16 through 20.

18 Company specific capacity cost recovery factor  
19 issues, Issues 21A through 22A.

20 We do need to tell you that with regard to  
21 Issue 22A, this issue was proposed by staff. As I  
22 understand it, FPL would like to drop this issue  
23 for several reasons. First, this calculation is  
24 included in the development of the capacity cost  
25 recovery factors in issue 30. Second, the

1 calculation of the amount associated with the  
2 Inflation Reduction Act for 2022 and 2023, and the  
3 method of returning it to customers via the  
4 capacity cost recovery factor are not at issue  
5 here.

6 The amount was decided in Docket No.  
7 20220165-EI, and the method of returning it to  
8 customers was decided in FPL's 2021 settlement  
9 agreement.

10 Staff can go either way on this, and I would  
11 like to hear from the parties on whether this issue  
12 should be dropped or retained.

13 COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: Yeah, I think we  
14 should.

15 Parties, any thoughts on your positions on  
16 that?

17 MR. REHWINKEL: Is this 22A?

18 MS. BROWNLESS: Yes, sir.

19 MR. REHWINKEL: I mean, we agreed with the  
20 calculations, so we are agnostic on it. We could  
21 go either way too. Whatever is the most efficient  
22 way, Mr. Chairman, we are happy to do it that way.

23 COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: Okay. PCS.

24 MR. BREW: We have no position on the FPL  
25 issue.



1 MS. BRUCE: Brew.

2 MR. BRISCAR: We have no position. Thank you.

3 MR. MOYLE: Everybody is agnostic or not  
4 taking a position. It gives a refund back to the  
5 ratepayers, so I kind of like that, if nobody has  
6 strong feelings one way or the other.

7 MR. SHEF WRIGHT: We have no problem with this  
8 either way. Thank you.

9 COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: Okay. I think that  
10 satisfies staff, correct -- or FPL?

11 MS. MONCADA: I am unclear about whether Jon  
12 Moyle wants to -- or FIPUG wants to keep the issue  
13 in. I am fine keeping it in. It was just -- we  
14 just wanted really the clarification that this is  
15 implementation of something that was already  
16 decided is the only position that FPL wanted to  
17 clarify; but if Mr. Moyle would like to retain 22A,  
18 I have no problem keeping it in.

19 COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: It sounds like we need  
20 some clarity.

21 MR. MOYLE: Sure, let's keep it in. There is  
22 a refund going back to consumers, I'm all for it.

23 COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: Okay.

24 MS. BROWNLESS: Thank you.

25 And we will move on now to generic capacity

1 cost recovery factor, Issues 24 through 30. The  
2 effective date Issue 31. The tariff approval Issue  
3 32. Close the docket, Issue 33. Okay.

4 COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: I think we are good.  
5 Parties agreed?

6 Okay. Then let's move on, staff, if okay to  
7 do so, to the exhibit list.

8 MS. BROWNLESS: Yes, sir.

9 Staff has prepared a comprehensive exhibit  
10 list which includes all prefiled exhibits, and also  
11 includes exhibits staff wishes to introduce into  
12 the record. Staff has provided this list to the  
13 parties. Staff will work with the parties to  
14 determine if there are any objections to the  
15 comprehensive exhibit list, or of any of staff's  
16 exhibits being entered into the record.

17 At this time, I would like to point the  
18 parties to the fact that staff Exhibit No. 59,  
19 FPL's response to staff's sixth set of  
20 interrogatories numbers 17 through 21 will not be  
21 included in this docket. This exhibit refers to  
22 information regarding FPL's nuclear power plant  
23 replacement cost issues which have been deferred to  
24 next year. And there are some very other -- there  
25 are some other very minor corrections to the CEL,

1           which will be made and distributed to the parties  
2           tomorrow.

3                        So basically we just want you to know that  
4           issue -- or that Exhibit No. 59 will not be part of  
5           this docket.

6                        COMMISSIONER LA ROSA:   Okay.  That seems to be  
7           okay by everybody.  Then let's move on to the  
8           proposed stipulations.

9                        MS. BROWNLESS:  At this time, there are no  
10          stipulations.  As we have been discussing,  
11          everybody has been provided a list, and we will  
12          continue to work with everyone to make sure we are  
13          all good, particularly on Issue 1A for Mr. Moyle.

14                       There -- we do propose a few changes to what  
15          you have been given, and we want to start with  
16          Issue 2H.  Has everybody got a chance to get to  
17          him?

18                        The amount here has been changed from  
19          68,128,000 to 68,127,892, and that's just to move  
20          it from a rounding to the actual number.  So  
21          anybody unhappy with that?

22                        COMMISSIONER LA ROSA:  A dollar change.  All  
23          right.

24                        MS. BROWNLESS:  Issue No. 31, FPL's factors  
25          have been changed to match FPL's changed position

1 as stated in the prehearing order that you have.  
2 So that's just been made to conform.

3 And here's the language that I think we have  
4 all been talking about with regard to Issue 1A.  
5 This is the original language: Yes, however, DEF  
6 will not enter into financial hedges for 2024 fuel  
7 burns. If DEF intends to restart its hedging  
8 program, it will subsequently seek and obtain  
9 Commission approval. This is the added language:  
10 At such time, all parties reserve and maintain  
11 their right to challenge whether and the manner in  
12 which DEF enters into financial hedges.

13 Staff is fine with this additional language,  
14 and that is what's at issue. I believe that  
15 squares up with everybody.

16 COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: Any comments from the  
17 parties?

18 PCS.

19 MR. SHEF WRIGHT: I am just going to confirm  
20 that we are comfortable with that language. Thank  
21 you.

22 COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: Okay.

23 MR. REHWINKEL: Since PCS had proposed it, I  
24 suppose it's too late to back out now.

25 COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: Yeah.

1           MR. REHWINKEL: Public Counsel can confirm we  
2 agree with that language.

3           COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: Okay. FIPUG?

4           MR. MOYLE: Yeah. And FIPUG agrees with that,  
5 and we appreciate it being placed on the record so  
6 we know exactly where everybody is and we have a  
7 record of it.

8           And I want to also thank Duke and staff for  
9 spending some time working through this issue.  
10 It's the same approach we've taken last year. You  
11 know, the other hedging is a big issue for FIPUG  
12 members. We don't like it. We've never liked it,  
13 so that's why we spend all the time on this.

14           The other two utilities, it's in their  
15 settlement agreements, and this is how we are  
16 dealing with it for Duke, because it was not part  
17 of any of the discussions or settlement agreement  
18 previously. So that's a little background on the  
19 hedging issue. But I am comfortable on behalf of  
20 FIPUG with the stipulation, and thank everybody for  
21 spending time on it.

22           COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: I knew we would get to  
23 a position where you would get comfortable. It was  
24 in my notes, so perfect.

25           Awesome. So then can we move on? Are there

1 any pending motions?

2 MS. BROWNLESS: There are no outstanding  
3 motions, sir.

4 COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: Confidential orders?

5 MS. BROWNLESS: There are some pending  
6 confidentiality orders which are in the process of  
7 getting worked through the system, and they should  
8 be issued, we probably can do it by Wednesday.

9 COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: Okay. Then can we move  
10 to the post-hearing procedures. Are the parties,  
11 at this time, going to file briefs on this docket  
12 -- do the parties, at this time, expect to file  
13 briefs on this docket? That's the question I am  
14 trying to --

15 MR. SHEF WRIGHT: No, sir.

16 MR. MOYLE: No.

17 MR. BREW: No.

18 COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: No, okay.

19 All right. Staff.

20 MS. BROWNLESS: That's great.

21 COMMISSIONER LA ROSA: Okay. So then let's  
22 move on to rulings.

23 MS. BROWNLESS: Opening statements, if any,  
24 should not exceed three minutes per party unless a  
25 party chooses to waive its opening statement.

1           That's our recommendation, and we need a ruling to  
2           that effect, sir.

3           COMMISSIONER LA ROSA:   Okay.  So be it, that  
4           three minute will be accepted unless waived.

5           MS. BROWNLESS:   Okay.  And usually we have a  
6           ruling about briefs being limited to 40 pages, but  
7           apparently, in this case, that's not required.

8           COMMISSIONER LA ROSA:   Sounds like that will  
9           be -- that will be what happens.

10          So are there any other matters?

11          MS. BROWNLESS:   We don't have any at this  
12          time, sir.

13          COMMISSIONER LA ROSA:   Okay.  All right.  So I  
14          think we've gotten through it, so I will go ahead  
15          and call this Prehearing Conference adjourned and  
16          we will see everybody very soon.

17          Thank you, guys.

18          MS. BROWNLESS:   Thank you.

19          (Proceedings concluded.)

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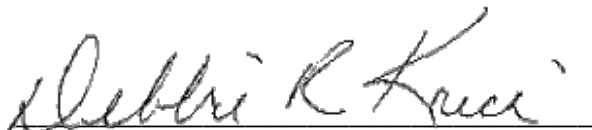
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