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DEF's Responses to Staff's Fifth Set of Interrogatories, Nos. 13-16.

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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

Docket No. 20220001-EI

Dated: August 31, 2022

DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA, LLC'S RESPONSE TO STAFF'S FIFTH SET OF INTERROGATORIES (NOS. 13-16)

Duke Energy Florida, LLC ("DEF") responds to the Staff of the Florida Public Service Commission's ("Staff") Fifth Set of Interrogatories to DEF (Nos. 13-16) as follows:

INTERROGATORIES

Please refer to Duke Energy Florida's (DEF or Company) responses to Staff's Second Set of Interrogatories, No. 7, for the following question. In this response, the Company states:
"DEF is continuing to analyze all available options" when discussing potential actions related to the quality of gas it purchased. Has DEF reached any conclusions on this matter? Please discuss any response.

Response:

DEF has worked with the gas supplier on remedial steps to mitigate the likelihood and potential impact of similar occurrences in the future. The Company is satisfied with the outcome and anticipates no future action at this time.

14. Please refer to DEF's responses to the Office of Public Counsel's Fifth Set of Interrogatories, No. 76, for the following question. In this response, the Company indicates it will include the replacement power costs for the March 2022 outage of Hines Power Block, Unit No. 4 in its 2022 actual/estimated filing. Are the costs associated with the full forced outage of the Hines Power Block Unit No. 4 in March of 2022 (approximately \$1.1 million) in fact included in DEF's 2022 actual/estimated filing?

Response:

Yes, these costs are included DEF's 2022 Actual/Estimate filing.

15. Please refer to DEF's Petition for Approval of Fuel Cost Recovery and Capacity Cost Recovery Actual/Estimated True-Up for the Period January 2022 Through December 2022 (Petition), Schedule E1-B, page 2, for the following request.¹ Please detail what costs and corresponding amounts are reflected in the category "Adjustments to Fuel Cost" appearing on line 5.

Response:

The total \$13.2 million on Exhibit GPD-2, Part 1, Schedule E1-B, page 2 of 2, line 5 consists of various adjustments to 2022 actual/estimated fuel costs including:

• \$12.5 million amortization of the Florida Power Development (FPD), LCC qualifying facility regulatory asset per Order No. PSC-2018-0240-PAA-EQ.

- \$0.7 million in annual net metering settlement costs to participating customers.
- \$2,500 allocation of University of Florida steam revenues.
- 16. Please refer to the Petition, Schedule E1-B-1, line 24, for the following request. Please explain why the 2022 "CEC [Clean Energy Connection] Bill Credit" is currently projected to be approximately 45 percent below the prior estimate.

Response:

This variance is primarily due to both solar generation sites coming online later than originally forecasted due to such matters as permitting, labor and weather issues. In DEF's December Midcourse filing, Bay Trail and Ft. Green were forecasted to come on-line in April and May of 2022 respectively. Both projects came on-line in June 2022.

¹Document No. 05043-2022.

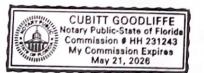
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I hereby certify that on this 30^{14} day of 4000, 2022, before me, an officer duly authorized in the State and County aforesaid to take acknowledgments, personally appeared ANTHONY SALVAREZZA, who is personally known to me, and he acknowledged before me that he provided the answers to interrogatory numbers 13, from STAFF'S FIFTH SET OF INTERROGATORIES TO DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA, LLC DBA DUKE ENERGY (NOS. 13-16) in Docket No. 20220001-EI, and that the responses are true and correct based on his personal knowledge.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal in the State and County aforesaid as of this 30^{th} day of $\overline{\int ugust}$, 2022.



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Anthony Salvarezza Notary Public State of Florida, at Large

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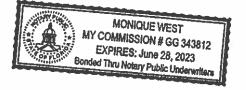
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I hereby certify that on this 24^{μ} day of 44^{μ} , 2022, before me, an officer duly authorized in the State and County aforesaid to take acknowledgments, personally appeared GARY P. DEAN, who is personally known to me, and he acknowledged before me that he provided the answers to interrogatory numbers 14, 15 and 16, from STAFF'S FIFTH SET OF INTERROGATORIES TO DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA, LLC DBA DUKE ENERGY (NOS. 13-16) in Docket No. 20220001-EI, and that the responses are true and correct based on his personal knowledge.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal in the State and County aforesaid as of this $2b^{h}$ day of 4ums/2022.



Gary Dean Notary Public State of Florida, at Large

My Commission Expires: