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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION AM 9 2:

In re: Review of Florida Power Corporation's Earnings, Including Effects of Proposed Acquisition of Florida Power Corporation by Carolina Power & Light FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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FLORIDA POWER CORPORATION'S REQUEST FOR ORAL ARGUMENT

Florida Power Corporation ("FPC" or the "Company"), through its undersigned attorneys and pursuant to the Commission's Rules and Section 366.071, <u>Fla. Stats.</u>, requests oral argument on FPC's Motion for Reconsideration of the requirement in Order PSC-01-1348-PCO-EI ("Refund Order") to hold revenues subject to refund in this proceeding.

The Refund Order will have a great impact on these proceedings and upon Florida Power's substantial interests. The Refund Order sets a cap for the amount of revenues that the Commission might order FPC to refund at the conclusion of the proceedings. As FPC respectfully points out in its motion for reconsideration, FPC has not had an opportunity to provide meaningful input into this issue up to this point in the proceedings. Because of this, perhaps, the Commission overlooked a number of material, indeed dispositive considerations, in arriving at its Refund Order and thus made several serious mistakes of law. FPC believes that oral argument would be of great assistance to the Commission in addressing these concerns and would provide FPC with the first opportunity to be heard in a meaningful way on these matters.

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