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1 - Docket #20170235-EI Petition for Authority to Charge FPL Rates to Former COVB Customers and for Approval of Accounting Treatment of COVB Electric System Acquisition 2 - Docket # 20170236-EU Petition to Terminate Territorial Agreement

PSC Commissioners C/O: Ms. Carlotta S. Stauffer Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Dear Commissioners,

As you undertake the review of the sale of Vero Beach's electric system to FPL very soon, I write to urge you to approve it. As a former Mayor of Vero Beach, I have had a front row seat to the hard work so many of our concerned citizens have invested in the effort to bring the sale of our electric system to FPL to completion.

As you may be aware, it has been a long struggle, but one I believe is worth it because of the enormous value it will bring to our residents. As a public servant, I always want to ensure that we are making decisions that will improve the quality of life in our city, and the money customers will save and the more reliable service Vero Beach electric customers will enjoy will certainly increase our quality of life in multiple ways. For example, in Florida, preparation for and recovery from hurricanes is always top of mind. FPL's superior hurricane restoration performance will provide an increased measure of comfort and security to our community and local economy. Also, parents, students, and teachers will benefit from additional resources for public education that result from the lower electric rates for schools.

One other point in particular I would like to draw your attention to is the energy services residents will be able to take advantage of. FPL has resources to help consumers save money on their electric bills and incentives to create more energy-efficient homes—with better insulation and appliances, for example—that the City was not able to offer.

This sale is the right move for all concerned. Thank you for allowing me to express my support.

Sincerely

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