

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition for determination of need for
DeLand West-Dona Vista Transmission Line
in Volusia and Lake Counties, by Duke Energy
Florida, LLC.

DOCKET NO. 20250078-EI
ORDER NO. PSC-2025-0261-CFO-EI
ISSUED: July 8, 2025

ORDER GRANTING DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA, LLC'S
REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT OF
DOCUMENT NO. 05255-2025

On June 23, 2025, pursuant to Section 366.093, Florida Statutes (F.S.), and Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), Duke Energy Florida, LLC (DEF) filed a Request for Confidential Classification (Request) of information contained in DEF's Response to Staff's First Set of Interrogatories, specifically questions 3 and 4. DEF seeks confidential treatment of Document No. 05255-2025.

Request for Confidential Classification

DEF contends that the information contained in its responses to questions 3 and 4 of Staff's First Set of Interrogatories (Nos. 1 - 5) is proprietary confidential business information as those responses include details related to security measures, systems, or procedures entitled to protection under Section 366.093, F.S., and Rule 25-22.006, F.A.C. Further, DEF asserts that the disclosure of this information would impair the competitive business of DEF and its affiliates. DEF has represented that this information is intended to be and is treated by DEF as private, has not been publicly disclosed, and DEF has treated and continues to treat the subject information at issue as confidential.

Ruling

Section 366.093(1), F.S., provides that records that the Florida Public Service Commission (Commission) has found to contain proprietary business information shall be kept confidential and shall be exempt from Chapter 119, F.S. Section 366.093(3), F.S., defines proprietary confidential business information as information that is intended to be and is treated by the company as private, in that disclosure of the information would cause harm to the company's ratepayers or business operations, and which has not been voluntarily disclosed to the public. Section 366.093(3), F.S., provides that proprietary confidential business information includes, but is not limited to:

(c) Security measures, systems and procedures; and

(e) Information relating to competitive interests, the disclosure of which would impair the competitive business of the provider of the information.

Upon review, DEF's response to questions 3 and 4 of Staff's First Set of Interrogatories (Nos. 1 - 5) satisfies the criteria set forth in Section 366.093(3), F.S., for classification as proprietary confidential business information. The information described above and in DEF's Request for Confidential Information appears to contain information concerning security measures, systems or procedures. Specifically, Document No. 05255-2025 contains information about DEF's transmission system, including data on single and double contingency outages, and the number of events that would trigger the Lake County Under Voltage Load Shed Scheme. The disclosure of this information would present security risks to DEF, its customers and the electric grid, and would also impair the competitive business interests of DEF and its affiliates. Thus, the information identified in Document No. 05255-2025 shall be granted confidential classification.

Pursuant to Section 366.093(4), F.S., the information for which confidential classification is granted herein shall remain protected from disclosure for a period of up to 18 months from the date of issuance of this Order. At the conclusion of the 18-month period, the confidential information will no longer be exempt from Section 119.07(1), F.S., unless DEF or another affected person shows, and the Commission finds, that the records continue to contain proprietary confidential business information.

Based on the foregoing, it is hereby

ORDERED by Commissioner Art Graham, as Prehearing Officer, that Duke Energy Florida, LLC's Request for Confidential Classification of Document No. 05255-2025 is granted. It is further

ORDERED that the information in Document No. 05255-2025, for which confidential classification has been granted, shall remain protected from disclosure for a period of up to 18 months from the date of issuance of this Order. At the conclusion of the 18-month period, the confidential information will no longer be exempt from Section 119.07(1), F.S., unless Duke Energy Florida, LLC or another affected person shows, and the Commission finds, that the records continue to contain proprietary confidential business information. It is further

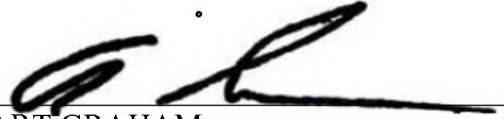
ORDERED that this Order shall be the only notification by the Commission to the parties of the date of declassification of the materials discussed herein.

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By ORDER of Commissioner Art Graham, as Prehearing Officer, this 8th day of July, 2025.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Art Graham', is written over a horizontal line.

ART GRAHAM

Commissioner and Prehearing Officer

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The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.569(1), Florida Statutes, to notify parties of any administrative hearing or judicial review of Commission orders that is available under Sections 120.57 or 120.68, Florida Statutes, as well as the procedures and time limits that apply. This notice should not be construed to mean all requests for an administrative hearing or judicial review will be granted or result in the relief sought.

Mediation may be available on a case-by-case basis. If mediation is conducted, it does not affect a substantially interested person's right to a hearing.

Any party adversely affected by this order, which is preliminary, procedural or intermediate in nature, may request: (1) reconsideration within 10 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.0376, Florida Administrative Code; or (2) judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court, in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility, or the First District Court of Appeal, in the case of a water or wastewater utility. A motion for reconsideration shall be filed with the Office of Commission Clerk, in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.0376, Florida Administrative Code. Judicial review of a preliminary, procedural or intermediate ruling or order is available if review of the final action will not provide an adequate remedy. Such review may be requested from the appropriate court, as described above, pursuant to Rule 9.100, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.