## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

#### ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD PANEL

Before the Licensing Board:

E. Roy Hawkens, Chair Dr. Michael F. Kennedy Dr. William C. Burnett

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In the Matter of	)
	) Docket Nos. 52-040 and 52-041
Florida Power & Light Company	)
	) ASLBP No. 10-903-02-COL-BD01
Turkey Point,	)
Units 6 and 7	)
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# REVISED JOINT INTERVENORS' UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO ANSWER FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY'S MOTION TO DISMISS JOINT INTERVENORS' CONTENTION 2.1 AS MOOT

Pursuant to 10 C.F.R. § 2.307(a) and the Atomic and Safety Licensing Board's (the "Board") March 30, 2011 Initial Scheduling Order and Administrative Directives, Southern Alliance for Clean Energy, National Parks Conservation Association, Dan Kipnis, and Mark Oncavage (collectively, "Joint Intervenors") hereby move for an extension of time to file an answer in opposition to Florida Power & Light Company's ("FPL") Motion to Dismiss Joint Intervenors' Contention 2.1 as Moot (the "FPL Motion"), filed January 3, 2012. Joint Intervenors request leave to file their answer on January 23, 2012, instead of the current due date of January 13, 2012.

- (1) As required by 10 C.F.R. § 2.323(b) and the Initial Scheduling Order and Administrative Directives, Joint Intervenors have sought consent of counsel for FPL and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission ("NRC") staff regarding this motion for an extension of time. Neither party opposes the motion.<sup>1</sup>
- (2) Joint Intervenors submit the following "good cause" in support of their motion for an extension of time. *See* Initial Scheduling Order at 10; 10 C.F.R. § 2.307(a).

First, Joint Intervenors and their counsel did not receive a copy of the revisions made to FPL's Combined Operating License Application ("COLA") until January 3, 2012. According to an email from FPL counsel, the revised COLA was mailed to Joint Intervenors on December 27, 2011. Because of the New Year's Day federal holiday, Joint Intervenors' offices were closed on December 30, 2011 and January 2, 2012. Thus, Joint Intervenors did not have an opportunity to review the revisions until they were delivered on January 3, 2012.

Second, Joint Intervenors were not aware of any revisions made to the COLA until FPL's counsel informed Joint Intervenors' counsel of such revisions in an email communication dated December 19, 2011. These revisions, and any new studies or expert analyses relating to these revisions, were not disclosed to Joint Intervenors through the mandatory disclosure process. Moreover, the revised COLA was not made available through the Agencywide Documents Access and Management System ("ADAMS") until the afternoon of January 3, 2012. To the best of Joint Intervenors' knowledge, as of January 3, 2012, any accompanying studies or analyses have not been made available on the NRC website or through ADAMS.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The NRC staff does not object to a 10 day extension of time for Joint Intervenors to file their answer to the FPL Motion, provided that the NRC staff is also afforded the same extension to file its answer.

Third, and as a result of the unavailability of the revised COLA, Joint Intervenors could not retain an expert until January 3, 2012 to review the revisions and studies.

Fourth, a complete review of the FPL Motion, its attachments, and the materials it relies upon (including sections of the revised COLA) by Joint Intervenors and their expert within ten (10) days will be extremely difficult. Joint Intervenors' expert must conduct a review of the scientific analyses in the revised COLA in order to provide Joint Intervenors' counsel an informed opinion. Joint Intervenors' counsel, in turn, must then prepare an appropriate answer. All of this will consume a significant amount of time. NRC's interest in efficiency will be better served by granting an extension, so as to receive higher quality briefing as opposed to a rushed answer.

Additionally, Joint Intervenors respectfully submit that the requested extension will not adversely affect FPL, NRC staff, or the Board. The Draft Environmental Impact Statement is not expected until at least 2013 and this extension will not affect a scheduled conference, hearing date, or any other scheduled filing deadline. Furthermore, this extension will not reduce the amount of time the Board will have to review Joint Intervenors' answer.

Accordingly, Joint Intervenors request that the Board grant an additional ten (10) days to Joint Intervenors to prepare an answer in opposition to FPL's Motion.

# Respectfully submitted this 4th day of January, 2012.

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