

### Energy & Utilities Policy Committee

### **MEETING PACKET**

Thursday, April 1, 2010 Morris Hall 8:45 AM – 9:45 AM

> Stephen Precourt Chair

Larry Cretul Speaker



### The Florida House of Representatives

General Government Policy Council Energy & Utilities Policy Committee

Larry Cretul Speaker Stephen L. Precourt Chair

### AGENDA

### April 1, 2010 8:45 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. Morris Hall (17 House Office Building)

Opening Remarks by Chair Precourt

Consideration of the following Proposed Committee Bill:

PCB EUP 10-05 – Public Records Exemption-Office of Regulatory Staff

Discussion of the Florida Energy Efficiency and Conservation Act (FEECA) and the goals adopted by the Florida Public Service Commission

Mark Futrell, Division of Regulatory Analysis Florida Public Service Commission

Closing Remarks by Chair Precourt

Adjournment

### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STAFF ANALYSIS

 BILL #:
 PCB EUP 10-05
 Public Records Exceptions - Office of Regulatory Staff

 SPONSOR(S):
 Energy & Utilities Policy Committee

 TIED BILLS:
 PCB EUP 10-04
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### SUMMARY ANALYSIS

PCB EUP 10-04, which passed the Energy & Utilities Policy Committee on March 25, 2010, reorganizes the Public Service Commission (commission) into two structurally separate entities: the commission, whose primary role is to serve as an independent and impartial decision maker; and the Office of Regulatory Staff (office), whose primary role is to advocate for the public interest in proceedings before the PSC and proceedings related to matters within the PSC's jurisdiction. In establishing the roles and duties of both entities, the PCB provides the office the same access to books and records of public utilities and regulated companies that the commission currently has. The PCB specifically transfers from the commission to the office the authority to conduct inspections, examinations, and audits and to conduct discovery. Thus, to the extent the commission required access to proprietary confidential business information, the office will require the same access.

Consistent with PCB EUP 10-04, PCB EUP 10-05 reflects the authority of the office to access records of telecommunications companies, public utilities providing electricity and natural gas service, utilities providing water and wastewater service, natural gas transmission companies, and affiliates of these entities, and places certain limits on the commission's authority to access records. PCB EUP 10-05 provides mechanisms for these entities to seek an exemption from the public records law for records provided to the office that constitute proprietary confidential business information. These mechanisms mirror the existing mechanisms for seeking an exemption when such records are provided to the commission.

The bill provides that the exemptions established for proprietary confidential business information received by the office are subject to the Open Government Sunset Review Act in accordance with s. 119.15, F.S., and shall be repealed in five years unless reviewed and saved from repeal through reenactment by the Legislature.

The bill also provides a finding that it is a public necessity that proprietary confidential business information received by the office from telecommunications companies, public utilities providing electricity and natural gas service, utilities providing water and wastewater service, natural gas transmission companies, and affiliates of these entities, be made confidential and exempt from disclosure as public records.

The bill has no fiscal impact on state or local governments.

The bill provides that it will take effect October 1, 2010, if PCB EUP 10-04 or similar legislation establishing an Office of Regulatory Staff separate from the Public Service Commission, for purposes of representing the public interest on matters within the jurisdiction of the Public Service Commission, is adopted in the same legislative session or an extension thereof and becomes law.

### The bill requires a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting for passage.

### HOUSE PRINCIPLES

Members are encouraged to evaluate proposed legislation in light of the following guiding principles of the House of Representatives

- Balance the state budget.
- Create a legal and regulatory environment that fosters economic growth and job creation.
- Lower the tax burden on families and businesses.
- Reverse or restrain the growth of government.
- Promote public safety.
- Promote educational accountability, excellence, and choice.
- Foster respect for the family and for innocent human life.
- Protect Florida's natural beauty.

### FULL ANALYSIS

### I. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS

### A. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

### **Present Situation**

### Public Records Law

Article I, s. 24(a) of the Florida Constitution, sets forth the state's public policy regarding access to government records. The section guarantees every person a right to inspect or copy any public record of the legislative, executive, and judicial branches of government. The Legislature, however, may provide by general law for the exemption of records from the requirements of Article I, s. 24(a) of the Florida Constitution. The general law must state with specificity the public necessity justifying the exemption (public necessity statement) and must be no broader than necessary to accomplish its purpose.<sup>1</sup>

Public policy regarding access to government records is addressed further in the Florida Statutes. Section 119.07(1), F.S., also guarantees every person a right to inspect and copy any state, county, or municipal record. Furthermore, the Open Government Sunset Review Act<sup>2</sup> provides that a public record or public meeting exemption may be created or maintained only if it serves an identifiable public purpose. In addition, it may be no broader than is necessary to meet one of the following purposes:

- Allows the state or its political subdivisions to effectively and efficiently administer a governmental program, which administration would be significantly impaired without the exemption.
- Protects sensitive personal information that, if released, would be defamatory or would jeopardize an individual's safety; however, only the identity of an individual may be exempted under this provision.
- Protects trade or business secrets.

### Current Public Records Exemptions for Information Provided to the Public Service Commission

In exercising its powers and duties, the Public Service Commission is authorized by law to access the books and records of the entities subject to its jurisdiction, including telecommunications companies, public utilities providing electricity and natural gas service, utilities providing water and wastewater

service, natural gas transmission companies, and affiliates of these entities.<sup>3</sup> The law provides mechanisms for these entities to seek an exemption from the public records law for records provided to the commission that constitute proprietary confidential business information.<sup>4</sup>

For purposes of these exemptions, "proprietary confidential business information" is defined as:

[I]nformation, regardless of form or characteristics, which is owned or controlled by the person or company, is intended to be and is treated by the person or company as private in that the disclosure of the information would cause harm to the ratepayers or the person's or company's business operations, and has not been disclosed unless disclosed pursuant to a statutory provision, an order of a court or administrative body, or private agreement that provides that the information will not be released to the public. The term includes, but is not limited to:

- (a) Trade secrets.
- (b) Internal auditing controls and reports of internal auditors.
- (c) Security measures, systems, or procedures.
- (d) Information concerning bids or other contractual data, the disclosure of which would impair the efforts of the company or its affiliates to contract for goods or services on favorable terms.
- (e) Information relating to competitive interests, the disclosure of which would impair the competitive business of the provider of information.
- (f) Employee personnel information unrelated to compensation, duties, qualifications, or responsibilities.<sup>5</sup>

For records received by the commission from public utilities providing electricity and natural gas service, utilities providing water and wastewater service, natural gas transmission companies, and affiliates of these entities, the person seeking an exemption must demonstrate to the commission, and the commission must find, that the records constitute proprietary confidential business information.<sup>6</sup> For records received by the commission from telecommunications companies or their affiliates, the person seeking an exemption that the records constitute proprietary confidential business information.<sup>7</sup>

PCB EUP 10-04 structurally separates the commission into two entities: the Public Service Commission and the Office of Regulatory Staff (office). Under the PCB, the role of the office is to represent the public interest in matters within the jurisdiction of the commission. In establishing the roles and duties of both entities, the PCB provides the office the same access to books and records of public utilities and regulated companies that the commission currently has. The PCB specifically transfers from the commission to the office the authority to conduct inspections, examinations, and audits and to conduct discovery. Thus, to the extent the commission required access to proprietary confidential business information, the office will require the same access.

### Effect of Proposed Changes

Consistent with PCB EUP 10-04, which passed the Energy & Utilities Policy Committee on March 25, 2010, PCB EUP 10-05 reflects the authority of the office to access records of telecommunications companies, public utilities providing electricity and natural gas service, utilities providing water and wastewater service, natural gas transmission companies, and affiliates of these entities, and places certain limits on the commission's authority to access records.

The bill provides mechanisms for these entities to seek an exemption from the public records law for records provided to the office that constitute proprietary confidential business information. These mechanisms mirror the existing mechanisms for seeking an exemption when such records are provided

<sup>5</sup> Id.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Sections 364.183, 366.093, 367.156, and 368.108, F.S.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Id.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Section 366.093, 367.156, and 368.108, F.S.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Section 364.183, F.S.

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to the commission. Thus, for records of telecommunications companies and their affiliates, the person seeking an exemption must claim that the records constitute proprietary confidential business information. For records of public utilities providing electricity and natural gas service, utilities providing water and wastewater service, natural gas transmission companies, and affiliates of these entities, the person seeking an exemption must demonstrate to the commission, and the commission must find, that the records constitute proprietary confidential business information.

The bill provides that the exemptions established for proprietary confidential business information received by the office are subject to the Open Government Sunset Review Act in accordance with s. 119.15. F.S., and shall be repealed in five years unless reviewed and saved from repeal through reenactment by the Legislature.

The bill also provides a finding that it is a public necessity that proprietary confidential business information received by the office from telecommunications companies, public utilities providing electricity and natural gas service, utilities providing water and wastewater service, natural gas transmission companies, and affiliates of these entities, be made confidential and exempt from disclosure as public records. This finding notes that, to effectively carry out its duties and responsibilities to represent the public interest in proceedings before the commission, it is necessary for the office to request and obtain records from entities subject to the regulatory jurisdiction of the commission and from related business entities and that many of these records contain proprietary confidential business information. The finding states that these records, if disclosed to the public, could harm the competitive interests of the regulated entity and its affiliates and the competitive interests of private entities with which a regulated entity does business. The finding further states that disclosure of proprietary confidential business information could impair the efforts of the regulated entity or its affiliates to contract for goods or services on favorable terms, in turn increasing costs to utility ratepayers, or could compromise security measures, systems, and procedures related to the provision of the essential services provided by these regulated entities.

**B. SECTION DIRECTORY:** 

Section 1. Amends s. 364.183, F.S., relating to access to telecommunications company records.

Section 2. Amends s. 366.093, F.S., relating to public utility records and confidentiality.

Section 3. Amends s. 367.156, F.S., relating to public utility records and confidentiality.

Section 4. Amends s. 368.108, F.S., relating to confidentiality and discovery of natural gas transmission company records.

**Section 5.** Provides a legislative finding of public necessity for public records exemptions.

Section 6. Provides an effective date of October 1, 2010, if a tied bill or substantially similar legislation becomes law.

### **II. FISCAL ANALYSIS & ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT**

- A. FISCAL IMPACT ON STATE GOVERNMENT:
  - 1. Revenues:

None.

2. Expenditures:

None.

- B. FISCAL IMPACT ON LOCAL GOVERNMENTS:
  - 1. Revenues:

None.

2. Expenditures:

None.

C. DIRECT ECONOMIC IMPACT ON PRIVATE SECTOR:

None.

D. FISCAL COMMENTS:

None.

### III. COMMENTS

- A. CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES:
  - 1. Applicability of Municipality/County Mandates Provision:

Not applicable. The bill does not appear to: require counties or municipalities to spend funds or take an action requiring the expenditure of funds; reduce the authority that counties or municipalities have to raise revenues in the aggregate; or reduce the percentage of a state tax shared with counties or municipalities.

2. Other:

Article I, s. 24(c) of the State Constitution, requires a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting for passage of a newly created public record or public meeting exemption. The bill applies existing exemptions to information provided to the newly created office; thus, it requires a two-thirds vote for passage.

Article I, s. 24(c) of the State Constitution, requires a public necessity statement for a newly created or expanded public record or public meeting exemption. The bill applies existing exemptions to information provided to the newly created office and includes a public necessity statement.

Article I, s. 24(c) of the State Constitution, requires that an exemption be no broader than necessary to accomplish its stated purpose. The public necessity statement provides the purpose for the public record exemption, which is to allow the Office of Regulatory Staff to effectively carry out its duties to represent the public interest in proceedings before the Public Service Commission. To reflect the transfer of most of the auditing, inspecting, and information-gathering functions of the commission to the office (accomplished through PCB EUP 10-04), the bill applies existing public records exemptions for certain types of information provided to the commission to the same types of information that would be provided to the newly created office. The bill does not expand the type of information that is currently exempt when received by the commission. Thus, it appears that the exemption is no broader than necessary to accomplish its stated purpose.

B. RULE-MAKING AUTHORITY:

None.

C. DRAFTING ISSUES OR OTHER COMMENTS:

None.

### IV. AMENDMENTS/COUNCIL OR COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE CHANGES

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### A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to public records; amending s. 364.183, 3 F.S.; providing the Office of Regulatory Staff access to 4 the records of telecommunications companies and their 5 affiliates; limiting the authority of the Public Service 6 Commission to access records; providing that records 7 received by the office which are claimed as proprietary 8 confidential business information by telecommunications 9 companies and their affiliates are confidential and exempt 10 from public records requirements; providing for future 11 legislative review and repeal of the exemption under the 12 Open Government Sunset Review; amending s. 366.093, F.S.; 13 providing the Office of Regulatory Staff access to the records of public utilities and their affiliates; limiting 14 15 the authority of the Public Service Commission to access 16 records; providing that records received by the office 17 which are shown by the public utility or other person and 18 found by the commission to be proprietary confidential 19 business information are confidential and exempt from 20 public records requirements; providing for future 21 legislative review and repeal of the exemption under the 22 Open Government Sunset Review; amending s. 367.156, F.S.; 23 providing the Office of Regulatory Staff access to the 24 records of utilities and their affiliates; limiting the 25 authority of the Public Service Commission to access 26 records; providing that records received by the office 27 which are shown by the utility or other person and found by the commission to be proprietary confidential business 28

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29 information are confidential and exempt from public 30 records requirements; providing for future legislative 31 review and repeal of the exemption under the Open 32 Government Sunset Review; amending s. 368.108, F.S.; 33 providing the Office of Regulatory Staff access to the 34 records of natural gas transmission companies and their 35 affiliates; limiting the authority of the Public Service 36 Commission to access records; providing that records 37 received by the office which are shown by the natural gas 38 transmission company or other person and found by the 39 commission to be proprietary confidential business 40 information are confidential and exempt from public records requirements; providing for future legislative 41 42 review and repeal of the exemption under the Open 43 Government Sunset Review; providing a finding of public 44 necessity; providing an effective date. 45 46 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 47 48 Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 364.183, Florida 49 Statutes, is amended to read: 50 364.183 Access to company records.-51 The commission and the office shall have access to (1)(a)52 all records of a telecommunications company that are reasonably

53 necessary for the disposition of matters within the commission's 54 jurisdiction. The commission and the office shall also have 55 access to those records of a local exchange telecommunications 56 company's affiliated companies, including its parent company,

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57	that are reasonably necessary for the disposition of any matter
58	concerning an affiliated transaction or a claim of
59	anticompetitive behavior including claims of cross-subsidization
60	and predatory pricing. Both the commission and the office may
61	require a telecommunications company to file records, reports or
62	other data directly related to matters within the commission's
63	jurisdiction in the form specified in the request by the
64	commission and may require such company to retain such
65	information for a designated period of time. The authority of
66	the commission to access records under this section is granted
67	subject to the limitations set forth in s. 350.011(3) and (4).
68	(b) Upon request of the company or other person, any
69	records received by the commission which are claimed by the
70	company or other person to be proprietary confidential business
71	information shall be kept confidential and shall be exempt from
72	s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution.
73	(c) Upon request of a company or other person providing
74	records to the office pursuant to paragraph (a), any such
75	records received by the office which are claimed by the company
76	or other person to be proprietary confidential business
77	information shall be kept confidential and shall be exempt from
78	s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution.
79	This paragraph is subject to the Open Government Sunset Review
80	Act in accordance with s. 119.15 and shall stand repealed on
81	October 2, 2015, unless reviewed and saved from repeal through
82	reenactment by the Legislature.
83	Section 2. Subsection (1) of section 366.093, Florida
84	Statutes, is amended to read:
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85	366.093 Public utility records; confidentiality
86	(1) (a) The commission and the office shall continue to
87	have reasonable access to all public utility records and records
88	of the utility's affiliated companies, including its parent
89	company, regarding transactions or cost allocations among the
90	utility and such affiliated companies, and such records
91	necessary to ensure that a utility's ratepayers do not subsidize
92	nonutility activities. The authority of the commission to access
93	records under this section is granted subject to the limitations
94	set forth in s. 350.011(3) and (4).
95	(b) Upon request of the public utility or other person,
96	any records received by the commission which are shown and found
97	by the commission to be proprietary confidential business
98	information shall be kept confidential and shall be exempt from
99	s. 119.07(1).
100	(c) Upon request of a public utility or other person
101	providing records to the office pursuant to paragraph (a), any
102	such records received by the office which are shown by the
103	public utility or other person and found by the commission to be
104	proprietary confidential business information shall be
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105	confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I
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106	of the State Constitution. This paragraph is subject to the Open
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106 107 108	of the State Constitution. This paragraph is subject to the Open Government Sunset Review Act in accordance with s. 119.15 and shall stand repealed on October 2, 2014, unless reviewed and
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106 107 108 109 110	of the State Constitution. This paragraph is subject to the Open Government Sunset Review Act in accordance with s. 119.15 and shall stand repealed on October 2, 2014, unless reviewed and saved from repeal through reenactment by the Legislature. Section 3. Subsection (1) of section 367.156, Florida

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113 The commission and the office shall continue to (1)(a) 114 have reasonable access to all utility records and records of 115 affiliated companies, including its parent company, regarding 116 transactions or cost allocations among the utility and such 117 affiliated companies, and such records necessary to ensure that 118 a utility's ratepayers do not subsidize nonutility activities. 119 The authority of the commission to access records under this 120 section is granted subject to the limitations set forth in s. 121 350.011(3) and (4).

122 (b) Upon request of the utility or any other person, any 123 records received by the commission which are shown and found by 124 the commission to be proprietary confidential business 125 information shall be kept confidential and shall be exempt from 126 s. 119.07(1).

127 (C) Upon request of a utility or other person providing 128 records to the office pursuant to paragraph (a), any such 129 records received by the office which are shown by the utility or 130 other person and found by the commission to be proprietary 131 confidential business information shall be confidential and 132 exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State 133 Constitution. This paragraph is subject to the Open Government 134 Sunset Review Act in accordance with s. 119.15 and shall stand 135 repealed on October 2, 2014, unless reviewed and saved from 136 repeal through reenactment by the Legislature. 137 Section 4. Subsection (1) of section 368.108, Florida 138 Statutes, is amended to read: 139 368.108 Confidentiality; discovery.-140 The commission and the office shall continue to (1)(a)

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141	have reasonable access to all natural gas transmission company	
142	records and records of the natural gas transmission company's	
143	affiliated companies, including its parent company, regarding	
144	transactions or cost allocations among the natural gas	
145	transmission company and such affiliated companies, and such	
146	records necessary to ensure that a natural gas transmission	
147	company's ratepayers do not subsidize unregulated activities.	
148	The authority of the commission to access records under this	
149	section is granted subject to the limitations set forth in s.	
150	350.011(3) and (4).	
151	(b) Upon request of the natural gas transmission company	
152	or other person, any records received by the commission which	
153	are shown and found by the commission to be proprietary	
154	confidential business information shall be confidential and	
155	exempt from s. 119.07(1).	
156	(c) Upon request of the natural gas transmission company	
157	or other person providing records to the office pursuant to	
158	paragraph (a), any such records received by the office which ar	<u>:e</u>
159	shown by the natural gas transmission company or other person	
160	and found by the commission to be proprietary confidential	
161	business information shall be confidential and exempt from s.	
162	119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution. This	
163	paragraph is subject to the Open Government Sunset Review Act i	n
164	accordance with s. 119.15 and shall stand repealed on October 2	> - /
165	2014, unless reviewed and saved from repeal through reenactment	-
166	by the Legislature.	
167	Section 5. The Legislature finds that it is a public	
168	necessity that proprietary confidential business information of	- -
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169	telecommunications companies, public utilities, natural gas
170	transmission companies, affiliated entities, and other persons
171	that is provided to the Office of Regulatory Staff be made
172	confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I
173	of the State Constitution. To effectively carry out its duties
174	to represent the public interest in proceedings before the
175	Public Service Commission, it is necessary for the Office of
176	Regulatory Staff to request and obtain records from entities
177	subject to the regulatory jurisdiction of the commission and
178	from related business entities. These records may be obtained
179	for multiple purposes including, but not limited to, financial,
180	operations, and management audits; compliance investigations;
181	earnings surveillance; assistance in processing changes in
182	rates; and review for subsidies between related entities. Many
183	of these records contain proprietary confidential business
184	information, which, if disclosed to the public, could harm the
185	competitive interests of the regulated entity and its affiliates
186	and the competitive interests of private entities with which a
187	regulated entity does business. In addition, disclosure of
188	proprietary confidential business information could impair the
189	efforts of the regulated entity or its affiliates to contract
190	for goods or services on favorable terms, in turn increasing
191	costs to utility ratepayers, or could compromise security
192	measures, systems, and procedures related to the provision of
193	the essential services provided by these regulated entities. As
194	such, the Legislature finds that it is a public necessity to
195	make confidential and exempt from public records requirements
196	proprietary confidential business information of
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198	transmission companies, affiliated entities, and other persons	3
199	provided to the Office of Regulatory Staff in order to ensure	
200	the effective and efficient administration of the duties and	
201	responsibilities of the office.	
202	Section 6. This act shall take effect October 1, 2010,	Ĺſ
203	PCB EUP 10-04 or similar legislation establishing an Office o:	-
204	Regulatory Staff separate from the Public Service Commission,	
205	for purposes of representing the public interest on matters	
206	within the jurisdiction of the Public Service Commission, is	
207	adopted in the same legislative session or an extension there	of
208	and becomes law.	

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# Florida Public Service Commission

Staff Presentation to the

# House Energy & Utilities Committee

Florida Energy Efficiency and Conservation Act (FEECA) **Energy Conservation Goal Setting** 

April 1, 2010

### Energy Conservation Policy Sections 366.80-366.85, and 403.519, F.S.

- Florida Energy Efficiency and Conservation Act (FEECA).
- First enacted in 1980
- Emphasis on:
- Reducing the growth rates of seasonal peak demand.
- Reducing and controlling the growth rates of electricity consumption.
- Increasing conservation of expensive resources, such as petroleum fuels.
- Encourage development of demand-side renewable energy resources (2008 legislation).

## **FEECA Background**

- Applies to 5 IOUs and the 2 largest municipal electric utilities. FPL, PEF, TECO, GULF, FPUC, JEA, and OUC.
- FPSC must establish goals for a ten-year period. Goals are revised every 5 years.
- Utilities must develop plans and cost-effective programs.
- Key question in setting goals is how to determine the level of goals that are cost-effective?
- Provides for cost recovery for approved IOU programs.

## **FEECA - 2008 Amendments**

- In establishing goals, FPSC must consider:
- Costs and benefits to participating customers.
- Costs and benefits to general body of ratepayers, including utility incentives and participant contributions.
  - The need for incentives to promote energy efficiency and renewables. I
- Costs imposed by state and federal regulations on greenhouse gas emissions.
- FPSC required to consider the full technical potential of all demand-side and supply-side conservation and efficiency measures, including demand-side renewables.
- FPSC may authorize financial rewards and penalties for investorowned utilities' conservation achievements.

# **2009 Conservation Goal Setting**

Issues

- Cost-Effectiveness Tests
- Two-Year Payback
- Demand-side Renewable Energy Systems

## **2009 Conservation Goal Setting Cost-Effectiveness Tests**

- FEECA requires conservation to be cost-effective.
- Cost-effectiveness tests provide information on the costs and benefits of conservation measures from different perspectives.
- FPSC rules require utilities to file the results of the:
  - Participant Test.
- Rate Impact Measure (RIM) Test.
- Total Resource Cost (TRC) Test.

## **2009 Conservation Goal Setting Cost-Effectiveness Tests**

- Participant Test:
- Will the participating customer's bill savings be greater than the cost of installing the conservation measures?
- Rate Impact Measure (RIM) Test:
- What is the rate impact on the non-participating customers?
- Measures with relatively higher demand (kw) savings are more likely to be cost-effective under RIM.
- Total Resource Cost (TRC) Test:
- What is the overall economic efficiency of a conservation measure from the perspective of society?
- Measures with relatively higher energy (kWh) savings are more likely to be cost-effective under TRC.

## **2009 Conservation Goal Setting Cost-Effectiveness Tests**

- greenhouse gas (CO<sub>2</sub>) regulations as part of avoided IOUs included cost estimates of potential generation benefits.
- The "enhanced" versions of the RIM and TRC tests referred to as E-RIM and E-TRC.
- savings than traditional RIM or TRC portfolios **E-RIM** and **E-TRC** portfolios will have greater respectively.

## **2009 Conservation Goal Setting 2 Year Payback**

- ratepayers, participants and non-participants. Incentives and rebates are paid for by all
- Some customers would install a conservation measure even without a utility incentive.
- Such measures are very cost-effective to a participating customer.

## **2009 Conservation Goal Setting 2 Year Payback**

- FPSC rules require utilities to address this issue as part of the goal setting process.
- conservation measures with a payback of 2 years or less To minimize cross subsidization, the IOUs screened out for the participating customer.
- A substantial percentage (66%-87%) of potential savings were removed from the analysis by use of the 2 year payback screening process.

## **2009 Conservation Goal Setting Demand-side Renewables**

- Amendments to FEECA in 2008 direct the FPSC to demand-side renewables, such as solar hot-water establish goals to increase the development of heating and photo-voltaics.
- The FPSC requested that the utilities analyze demand-side renewables.
- No such measures were found to be cost-effective under any cost-effectiveness test.

## **2009 Conservation Goal Setting Summary of Decisions**

- aggressive peak demand and energy conservation goals. December 1, 2009 – FPSC adopted cost-effective and
- Investor-owned utility goals:
- Based upon the Enhanced Total Resource Cost Test (E-TRC)
- Included savings from select residential measures that have a quick payback, such as compact fluorescent lights.
- Goals are cost-effective, from a system basis, and are not limited by resource needs (pg. 15 of order)
- Non-participants could see an increase in their monthly bill. (pg. 26 of order)

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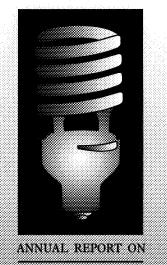
## **2009 Conservation Goal Setting Summary of Decisions**

- Municipal electric goals:
- Based on demand and energy saving achievements of current conservation programs.
- FPSC will address rewards and penalties on a caseby-case basis.

## Questions

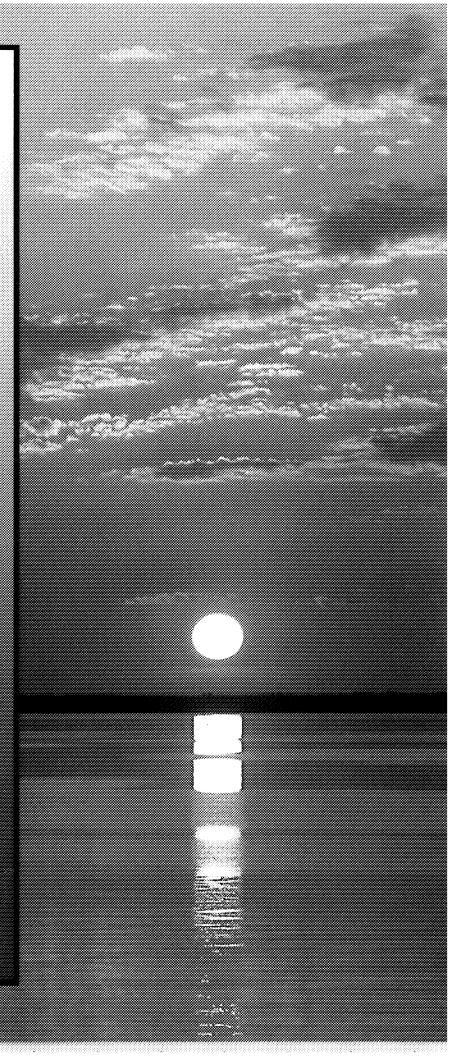
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# List of Acronyms

- DCA Department of Community Affairs
- DSM Demand-Side Management
- ECCR Energy Conservation Cost Recovery
- E-RIM Enhanced Rate Impact Measure
- E-TRC Enhanced Total Resource Cost
- F.A.C. Florida Administrative Code
- FEECA Florida Energy Efficiency and Conservation Act
- F.S. Florida Statute
- GWh Gigawatt-Hour
- HERS Home Energy Rating System
- HVAC Heating Ventilating and Air Conditioning
- kWh Kilowatt-hour
- LDC Local Distribution Company
- MW Megawatt
- PSC Public Service Commission
- RIM Rate Impact Measure
- TRC Total Resource Cost

# **Executive Summary**

Sections 366.80 through 366.85 and Section 403.519, Florida Statutes (F.S.), are known as the Florida Energy Efficiency and Conservation Act (FEECA). Originally enacted in 1980, FEECA places emphasis on reducing the growth rates of weather-sensitive peak demand, reducing and controlling the growth rates of electricity consumption, and reducing the consumption of scarce resources such as petroleum fuels. The Public Service Commission (Commission or PSC) fulfills the requirements of the FEECA statutes by setting numeric electric peak demand and energy savings goals for each of the seven electric utilities subject to FEECA.<sup>1</sup> Each of the FEECA utilities must then submit for Commission approval cost-effective demand-side management (DSM) plans and programs designed to meet the goals.

This report fulfills three statutory requirements. Section 366.82(10), F.S., directs the Commission to provide an annual report to the Legislature and the Governor with the goals it has adopted under FEECA and the progress achieved toward those goals. Section 377.703(2)(f), F.S., requires the PSC to file information "on electricity and natural gas and information on energy conservation programs conducted and underway in the last year" with the Energy and Climate Commission. Section 553.975, F.S., requires the Commission to report on the effectiveness of energy conservation standards in the state.

This report is divided into four sections. Section 1 discusses the Commission's recently completed goal setting process. Section 2 provides an overview of Florida's electricity market. Section 3 provides a summary of the history of Florida Energy Efficiency and Conservation Act (FEECA) along with the achievements made by the utilities subjected to FEECA and the natural gas investor-owned utilities. Section 4 discusses the Florida Energy Conservation Standards Act.

#### **Goal Setting Activities**

The 2008 Legislative session brought about several changes to the FEECA statute. These changes included: (1) establishing goals for demand-side renewable energy resources; (2) consideration of efficiency investments in generation, transmission, and distribution efficiency improvements; (3) clarification of the costs and benefits to be considered in the determination of cost-effectiveness; and (4) authorization to provide rewards and penalties for conservation

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The seven utilities subject to FEECA include Florida Power & Light Company, Progress Energy Florida, Inc., Tampa Electric Company, Gulf Power Company, Florida Public Utilities Company, Orlando Utilities Commission, and JEA.

achievements. In 2007, in preparation for the new goal-setting process, the Commission conducted five workshops regarding energy efficiency initiatives and the new requirements in Section 366.82, F.S. On June 26, 2008, the Commission opened Dockets 080407-EG through 080413-EG to review numeric conservation goals for the utilities subject to FEECA. On November 13, 2008, the Commission staff contracted with GDS Associates, Inc. (GDS) to provide independent technical consulting and witness services during the conservation goals setting proceeding. GDS was retained to review and critique the overall goals proposed by each utility and provide expert testimony and recommendations on alternative goals.

An evidentiary hearing in Dockets 080407-EG through 080413-EG was held on August 10-13, 2009. On October 15, 2009, staff filed its recommendation regarding the review of the FEECA utilities numeric goals. At the November 10, 2009, Agenda Conference the Commission directed staff to develop more robust goals for each utility.

At the December 1, 2009 Agenda Conference, the Commission approved aggressive new DSM goals. In order to address recent statutory changes, the Commission voted that the numeric DSM goals for FPL, PEF, TECO, Gulf, and FPUC be based on the Enhanced Total Resource Cost (E-TRC) test which takes in consideration costs imposed by the regulation of greenhouse gas emissions, along with several residential measures that have a two-year or less payback. In addition, the investor-owned utilities were authorized to spend up to 10 percent (approximately \$24 million) of their historic energy conservation cost recovery expenditures as an annual cap for solar water heating and solar photovoltaic pilot programs. The table below illustrates the proposed goals by the utilities in comparison to the Commission approved goals. Additional detail of the goal-setting process is discussed in Section 1.

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	Summer Demand Goals (MW)			Winter Demand Goals (MW)		Annual Energy Goals (GWH)	
Utility	Utility	Commission	Utility	Commission	Utility	Commission	
	Proposal	Approved	Proposal	Approved	Proposal	Approved	
		Goals		Goals		Goals	
FPL	607	1,498	338	605	878	3,082	
PEF	521	1,183	560	1,072	614	3,488	
TECO	82	138	41	109	202	360	
Gulf	69	144	46	110	159	574	
FPUC	0	4	0	2	0	13	
OUC	0	12	0	9	0	36	
JEA	0	44	0	30	0	290	
Total	1,279	3,023	985	1,937	1,853	7,843	

### **Conservation Achievements**

The Commission's consumer education program employs a variety of tools to educate consumers on daily conservation and energy efficiency activities. Appendix 1 summarizes the Commission's efforts on this front. Florida's utilities have generally been successful in meeting the overall objectives of FEECA. Residential energy audits provide the first step for utilities and customers to assess conservation opportunities. To date, Florida's investor-owned utilities have performed over 300,000 residential energy audits. Florida's investor-owned utilities offer over 71 conservation programs for residential and commercial customers which are summarized in Appendix 2.

Since 1980, utility-sponsored DSM programs are projected to reduce statewide summer peak demand by an estimated 6,107 megawatts (MW) and winter peak demand by 6,442 MW. Annual energy savings from utility-sponsored DSM programs were estimated to be 7,647 gigawatt-hours  $(GWh)^2$  in 2009. The demand savings from these programs has deferred the need for over 30 typical 150 MW combustion turbine units, or enough capacity to serve approximately 1.6 million households.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> A GWh is equal to 1 million kilowatt-hours.

In 2008, Florida's investor-owned electric utilities recovered over \$284 million in conservation program expenditures from ratepayers. Over the last 10 years, the investor-owned utilities have recovered over \$2.4 billion dollars in conservation program expenditures.

FPL, PEF, TECO, JEA and OUC met or surpassed all of the Commission-approved cumulative demand and energy goals in 2008. Gulf and FPUC both fell short of their goals for at least one customer class, as described below. For example, the dramatic downturn in new home construction in Gulf's service territory has reduced participation in its residential programs. Although FPUC significantly surpassed all of its 2008 residential DSM goals, it did not meet its commercial/industrial goals. The goals established in 2009 contain a provision that will allow the PSC to assess penalties to utilities who do not achieve their goals. The Commission will continue to monitor the progress of all FEECA utilities' efforts to meet the newly approved goals and take appropriate action, if necessary. More detail on each utility company's progress in meeting its goals is provided in Section 3.

# Conclusion

Despite the recent decrease in population growth, Florida's population – nearly 19 million today – is still expected to reach nearly 24 million by 2030. Conservation, DSM, and renewable energy will continue to play important roles in meeting the state's energy needs. Although Florida's utilities traditionally have been successful in meeting the objectives of FEECA, customer participation in utility-offered DSM and energy conservation programs, along with individual efforts to use electrical energy wisely, remain fundamental elements for reducing the demand for energy. As power plant sites and transmission corridors become scarcer, utility efforts to defer future generating units and transmission lines are increasingly important.

# Section 1. DSM Goal Setting Process

# **1.1 Historic Goal Setting Process**

DSM programs benefit the general body of electric utility ratepayers by (1) deferring the need for future power plant construction, (2) reducing current production cost, and (3) improving reliability.

Section 366.82, F.S., requires utility conservation programs to be cost-effective. As part of the implementation of this statute, the Commission adopted Rule 25-17.008, F.A.C., which codifies the cost-effectiveness methodologies and cost and benefit information which must be submitted to the Commission. In order to obtain cost recovery, utilities must provide a costeffectiveness analysis of each program using three tests: the Participant test, the Ratepayer Impact Measure (RIM) test and the Total Resource Cost (TRC) test. Each test is summarized below.

*Participant test.* DSM programs assist program participants by reducing their electric bills. The Participant test reviews costs and benefits from a program participant's point of view and ignores the impact on the utility and other ratepayers not participating in the program. The costs customers pay for equipment and maintenance are considered under the Participant test. Benefits considered include incentives that are paid by the utility to the customers and a reduction in customer bills.

*RIM test.* The RIM test includes the costs associated with incentive payments to participants and decreased revenues to the utility which typically must be recovered from the general body of ratepayers at the time of a rate case. In particular, the RIM test is designed to ensure that all ratepayers will benefit from a proposed DSM program, not just the program's participants. A DSM program that passes the RIM test ensures that all customer rates are lower than they otherwise would have been without the DSM program.

*TRC test.* The TRC test measures the overall economic efficiency of a DSM program from a societal perspective. This test measures the net costs of a DSM program based on its total cost, including both the participant's and the utility's costs. Unlike the RIM test, customer incentives and decreased revenues are not included as costs in the TRC test; instead, these factors are treated as transfer payments among ratepayers.

The Commission's traditional policy has been to set goals for utilities based on measures that pass both the Participant and RIM tests. In addition, the Commission encourages utilities to evaluate implementation of TRC measures when the savings are large and the rate impacts are small.<sup>3</sup> TRC measures that have a large savings but small impact on rates are reviewed and approved by the Commission on a case-by-case basis.

The Commission also requires investor-owned utilities to reevaluate programs on a regular basis. If a program is no longer cost-effective, the utility is required to file a petition before the Commission to request changes to or discontinuation of the program. Conversely, if new programs become available which are cost-effective, the utility is required to file a petition before the Commission requesting inclusion of the new program.

## **1.2 Current Goal Setting Process**

New legislation enacted in 2008 amended the FEECA statute and placed upon the Commission additional responsibilities when adopting goals. These responsibilities include consideration of benefits and costs to program participants and ratepayers as a whole as well as the need for energy efficiency incentives for customers and utilities. The Commission must also evaluate the costs imposed by state and federal regulations on greenhouse gas emissions. In addition, the Commission is charged to evaluate the technical potential of all demand-side and supply-side energy conservation measures, including demand-side renewable energy systems. The statute was also amended to allow the Commission to provide appropriate financial rewards and/or penalties to utilities over which it has rate-setting authority. Finally, the 2008 legislation authorized the Commission to allow an investor-owned utility to receive an additional return on equity of up to 50 basis points for exceeding 20 percent of its annual load growth through energy efficiency and conservation measures.

The purpose of the goals is to bolster conservation efforts, particularly where expensive resources are concerned, as well as to reduce the growth rate of peak load demand. In preparation for the new goal-setting process, beginning in 2007, the Commission conducted a

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Order No. PSC-94-1313-FOF-EG, issued October 25, 1994, in Docket No. 930548-EG, In Re: Adoption of numeric conservation goals in consideration of National Energy Policy Act Standards (Section 111) by Florida Power and Light Company; Docket No. 930549-EG, In Re: Adoption of numeric conservation goals in consideration of National Energy Policy Act Standards (Section 111) by Florida Power Corporation; Docket No. 930550-EG, In Re: Adoption of numeric conservation goals in consideration of National Energy Policy Act Standards (Section 111) by Florida Power Corporation; Docket No. 930550-EG, In Re: Adoption of numeric conservation goals in consideration of National Energy Policy Act Standards (Section 111) by Gulf Power Company; Docket No. 930551-EG, In Re: Adoption of numeric conservation goals in consideration of National Energy Policy Act Standards (Section 111) by Tampa Electric Company.

series of workshops regarding energy efficiency initiatives and the new requirements in Section 366.82, F.S. On June 26, 2008, the Commission opened Dockets 080407-EG through 080413-EG to review numeric conservation goals for the utilities subject to FEECA. On November 13, 2008, the Commission staff contracted with GDS Associates, Inc. (GDS) to provide independent technical consulting and witness services during the conservation goal-setting proceeding. GDS was retained to review and critique the overall goals proposed by each utility and provide expert testimony and recommendations on alternative goals.

An evidentiary hearing in Dockets 080407-EG through 080413-EG was held on August 10-13, 2009. The FEECA utilities requested goals based on an enhanced RIM (E-RIM) test, which included estimates of anticipated future carbon regulation costs. Including such carbon costs results in higher goals than the traditional RIM test. On October 15, 2009, staff filed its recommendation regarding the review of the FEECA utilities numeric goals. At the November 10, 2009, Agenda Conference, the Commissioners directed staff to develop more robust goals for each utility. At the December 1, 2009, Agenda Conference, the Commission established goals for each utility based on an enhanced TRC (E-TRC) test. Establishing goals based on the E-TRC will result in higher demand and energy savings compared to the E-RIM tests proposed by the utilities. In addition to the E-TRC based goals, the Commission included the estimated savings for certain residential measures that have a payback of two years or less. Table 1 illustrates the summer demand, winter demand, and annual energy goals proposed by the utilities compared to the Commission's approved goals.

	Summer Demand			Winter Demand		Annual Energy	
		lls (MW)		Goals (MW)		Goals (GWH)	
	Utility	Commission	Utility	Commission	Utility	Commission	
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 Table 1. 2010-2019 Incremental Demand-Side Management Goals

The companies are required to file for Commission approval of proposed DSM programs to meet the new goals in early 2010.

# Demand-Side Renewables

Rule 25-6.065, F.A.C., encourages the promotion and development of customer-owned demand-side renewable generation up to two megawatts (MW) by enhancing the interconnection of such generation and minimizing the customer's cost when interconnecting to a utility's system. Data submitted in April 2009 illustrates that for the 2008 period, 383 customers of investor-owned utilities owned solar photovoltaic systems resulting in approximately 1.76 MW of capacity.

During the DSM goal setting process, the analyses conducted by the utilities revealed that demand-side renewables were not cost-effective. The Commission voted to accept the recommendation of its consultant, GDS, and authorized the IOUs to spend up to 10 percent (approximately \$24 million) on the development of solar PV and solar water heating technologies on a pilot basis. The idea is to have the programs complement the Solar Rebate Program established by the Legislature and implemented by the Florida Energy and Climate Commission. Table 2 represents the Commission approved expenditures for the solar technologies mentioned previously.

	Commission Approved Appendix Property
FPL	\$15,536,870
Gulf	\$900,338
PEF	\$6,467,592
TECO	\$1,531,018
FPUC	\$47,233
Total	\$24,483,051

# Section 2. Overview of Florida's Electricity Market

#### 2.1 Energy Demand in Florida

Because of its large population, Florida's total energy consumption ranks among the highest in the country. In addition, its electrical demand and energy consumption follow unique patterns because of the state's largely residential customer base. Understanding this pattern and why it occurs – partly because of high air-conditioning use during hot summer months and widespread use of electricity for home heating during winter months – is key to grasping conservation's importance in Florida. As shown in Table 3, residential customers comprise almost 89 percent of Florida's electricity customers and purchase about 52 percent of electrical energy in the state. Commercial electrical energy usage in Florida is about 38 percent, and industrial customers purchase the remaining 10 percent of Florida's electrical energy.

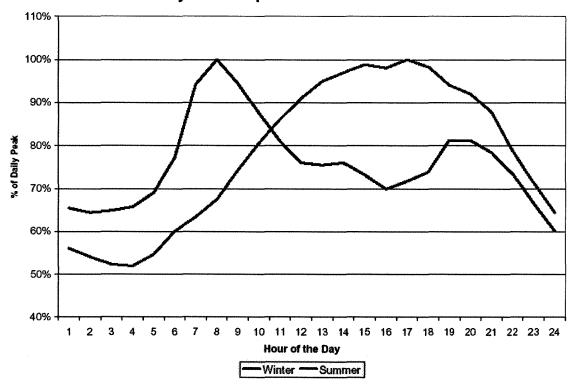
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Residential	8,351,253	88.7	112,431	51.8
Commercial	1,036,598	11.0	82,205	37.8
Industrial	30,134	0.3	22,615	10.4
Total	9,417,985	100.0	217,251	100.0

 Table 3. Florida's Electric Customers by Class and Consumption in 2008

Florida's high temperatures and humidity levels cause residential customers' electrical usage to fluctuate more throughout the day. Residential energy use peaks in the early evening in the summer and in the mid-morning and late evening in the winter compared to industrial use, which tends to be more uniform throughout the day. These usage patterns cause a need for greater variation in the amounts of energy in Florida than in other states with higher industrial energy usage rates and smaller populations.

Figure 1 depicts the daily load shape curves for typical summer and winter days in Florida. In the summer, customer demand begins to increase in the morning and peaks in the early evening, a pattern which corresponds to the sun heating buildings and the resulting air conditioning loads. In contrast, the winter load curve has two peaks, the largest in mid-morning, followed by a smaller peak in the late evening. Both correspond to heating loads.

Figure 1. Typical Florida Daily Electric Load Shapes



**Daily Load Shapes for Summer and Winter** 

Traditionally, Florida's electric demand has been highest in the summer months. Peak electric demand reached 50,935 MW in the summer of 2008 and 51,096 MW in the winter. In 2018, Florida's peak electric demand is projected to increase to 61,994 MW in the summer and 61,035 MW in the winter.

## 2.2 Florida's Electric Generating Resources

The need for new electric generating capacity is spurred by the increase in peak demand. Electric utilities' resource-planning processes are designed to ensure sufficient installed capacity to meet the highest projected customer demand and provide a reserve for contingencies. As discussed further in Section 3, utility-sponsored conservation programs help to lessen peak demand and energy consumption, thus postponing the need for new generating capacity. Florida's electric utility industry is comprised of the following types of companies:

- 5 investor-owned electric utilities
- 33 municipally owned electric utilities
- 18 rural electric cooperatives

Together, these utilities currently possess 50,482 MW of summer electric generating capacity and 53,857 MW of winter generating capacity. Non-utility generators in the state provide an additional 6,311 MW of summer electric generating capacity and 7,299 MW of winter generating capacity. Supplementary capacity is purchased from out-of-state utilities over the Florida-Georgia transmission interties.

Historically, Florida's electric utilities pursued fuel diversity by maintaining a balanced fuel supply with a relative mix of energy generation from coal, nuclear, natural gas, oil, and other sources. However, Florida's utilities in the early 1990s began to rely more on natural gas to meet the increasing need for energy because of its low prices and ready availability. Between 1990 and 2008, most new generating capacity constructed in Florida was natural gas-fired, increasing the percentage of the state's total energy generated by gas from 11.4 percent in 1990 to over 40 percent in 2008. The price volatility associated with natural gas has caused concern regarding the ratepayers' ability to afford their electric bill.

However, in recent years Florida lawmakers and the Public Service Commission have placed rising importance on utilities maintaining a balanced and diverse fuel supply, resulting in the inclusion of additional fuel sources, such as nuclear and renewable energy, in the utilities' Ten Year Site Plans. Currently, renewable energy facilities provide more than 1,170 MW of firm and non-firm capacity. The Public Service Commission has approved four new nuclear plants (FPL's Turkey Point Units 6 and 7 and Progress' Levy Units 1 and 2.) In addition, the Commission approved uprates to FPL's and PEF's existing nuclear facilities that will allow an increase in the amount of capacity at each facility. Combined, the four new nuclear facilities and the uprates will add approximately 4,938 MW of additional nuclear capacity in Florida when placed into service.

Despite the focus on fuel diversity and the approval of the aforementioned nuclear units, natural gas still is projected to provide over 54 percent of Florida's energy in 2018. To ensure Florida can sustain its growing need for energy, utilities must pay special attention to DSM, conservation, renewable energy, and public awareness efforts.

# Section 3. The Florida Energy Efficiency and Conservation Act

#### **3.1 History of FEECA**

From its inception in 1980, FEECA has emphasized reducing the growth rates of weather-sensitive peak demand, reducing and controlling the growth rates of electricity consumption, and reducing the consumption of scarce resources such as petroleum fuels. To accomplish these objectives, FEECA requires the Commission to establish goals and the electric utilities to implement DSM programs to meet those goals.

Initially, all of Florida's electric utilities were subject to FEECA. Two major changes resulted from the legislative sunset review of the FEECA statute in 1989: (1) inclusion of a size limitation so that only electric utilities with more than 500 gigawatt-hours (GWh) of annual retail sales would be subject to FEECA; (2) the addition of language to encourage cogeneration. At the time, the 12 utilities which exceeded the sales threshold comprised approximately 94 percent of all retail electricity sales in Florida.

In 1996, the Legislature further revised the FEECA statute. The revision increased the minimum retail sales threshold for municipal and cooperative utilities subject to FEECA to 2,000 GWh. Pursuant to the statute, retail sales for each municipal and cooperative utility were measured as of July 1, 1993, to determine whether the company was subject to FEECA. All five Florida investor-owned utilities are subject to FEECA, regardless of sales. Investor-owned utilities include FPL, PEF, TECO, Gulf, and FPUC. The two municipal utilities currently subject to FEECA are OUC and JEA. No rural electric cooperatives are subject to FEECA.

On the following page, Table 4 displays the 2008 energy sales by each FEECA utility and non-FEECA utilities. Also included in the table is a percentage allocation of energy sales per FEECA utility along with a total percentage allocation for the non-FEECA utilities.

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Florida's FEECA Unistee	CIWA	FERCA Energy
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FPL	102,919	53.8
PEF	38,555	20.1
TECO	18,990	9.9
Gulf	11,543	6.0
FPUC	738	0.4
JEA	12,615	6.6
OUC	6,115	3.2
FEECA Total	191,475	85.7
Non-FEECA Utilities Total	31,990	14.3
Statewide Total	223,465	100.0

#### Table 4. Energy Sales by Florida's FEECA Utilities in 2008

#### **3.2 Conservation Achievements**

As a whole, Florida's utilities have been successful in meeting FEECA's overall objectives. Pursuant to 366.82(5), F.S., all FEECA utilities are required to offer energy audits to residential customers. Energy audits serve as the basis for all DSM and conservation programs by allowing utilities the opportunity to evaluate conservation opportunities for their customers. To date, Florida's investor-owned utilities have performed more than 300,000 residential energy audits and offer more than 70 conservation programs for residential and commercial customers.

Building codes and appliance efficiency standards impact utilities' conservation programs by creating a baseline for the cost-effectiveness of any new program and decreasing the amount of incremental energy savings as code standards become more rigorous. As a result, appliance efficiency standards can reduce the need for utility DSM goals. Utility programs offer rebates and incentives for appliances that exceed minimum efficiency standards, thereby avoiding duplicate savings estimates. Staying current on building codes is highly important to the FEECA utilities' DSM efforts. In an effort to do so, the FEECA utilities participate in meetings of the Florida Building Commission's Energy Technical Advisory Committee, take part in activities with the Department of Community Affairs, host Continuing Education Classes in regards to building codes, and conduct in-house assessments regarding how to offer more performance based programs such as Energy Star.

Specifically, in March 2009, FPL modified its BuildSmart program standards to reflect Code changes that specified a minimum 15 percent increase in building energy performance relative to the 2007 version of the code. Also in 2009, JEA expanded its incentive offerings beyond Energy Star to be performance-based using the Home Energy Rating (HERS) Index and by raising the incentive cap.

Since FEECA's enactment, utility-sponsored DSM programs are projected to reduced statewide summer peak demand by an estimated 6,107 MW and winter peak demand by 6,442 MW and reduced annual energy consumption by an estimated 7,647 GWh in 2009. The demand savings from these programs has deferred the need for over 30 typical 150 MW combustion turbine units, or enough capacity to serve approximately 1.6 million households.

	2089
Summer Peak Demand	6,107 MW
Winter Peak Demand	6,442 MW
Energy Consumption (Annual)	7,647 GWh

# Table 5. Estimated Cumulative SavingsFrom Utility-Sponsored DSM Programs Since 1980

Table 6 shows the reported DSM demand and energy achievements of the 5 investorowned utilities and 2 municipalities in 2008. The table compares the achievements to the utilities' DSM goals set by the Commission in 2004.

# Table 6. Comparison of Cumulative DSM Achievements with Approved Goals in2008

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		Reduction			Conte	- <b>63</b> 20
FPL	<b>.</b>					
Residential	127.30	136.10	194.60	238.70	333.30	351.00
Commercial/Industrial	43.20	176.70	92.60	280.60	67.80	402.90
PEF						
Residential	142.00	207.00	38.00	87.00	65.00	118.00
Commercial/Industrial	14.00	86.00	14.00	97.00	12.00	78.00
ТЕСО						
Residential	15.40	17.60	10.70	13.90	28.10	34.80
Commercial/Industrial	11.90	52.20	15.30	58.30	24.20	44.60
Gulf			f			
Residential	28.90	8.28	23.60	6.74	12.30	5.91
Commercial/Industrial	11.00	11.99	23.10	23.69	8.90	22.31
FPUC					1	
Residential	0.14	0.310	0.08	0.130	0.18	0.359
Commercial/Industrial	0.10	0.094	0.16	0.101	0.42	0.336
JEA					<b>1</b>	
Residential	0.00	4.10	0.00	4.80	0.00	21.50
Commercial/Industrial	0.00	1.60	0.00	2.60	0.00	40.60
OUC	•	<u></u>		L		<b>1</b>
Residential	0.00	0.105	0.00	0.345	0.00	1.608
Commercial/Industrial	0.00	0.724	0.00	0.724	0.00	2.128

Table 5 shows that FPL, PEF, TECO, JEA, and OUC met or surpassed all of the Commission-approved cumulative demand and energy goals in 2008. Although the Commission set goals for JEA and OUC at zero, both utilities have accomplished additional DSM achievements.

Gulf and FPUC both failed to achieve their 2008 goals for at least one customer class. Although Gulf met or exceeded its goals for commercial/industrial customers, it did not reach its residential demand goals. Gulf states that the eligible customer base for its GoodCents Select program has been reduced by advancements in heating and cooling equipment efficiency and communications technology. Shortages of equipment caused by the manufacturer also delayed new installations, causing Gulf to temporarily suspend promotion of the program until April 2009. The dramatic downturn in new home construction in Gulf's service territory has also reduced participation in the GoodCents/Energy Star program. Although FPUC surpassed all of its 2008 residential DSM goals, the company did not meet its commercial/industrial goals. FPUC cited its inability to network with commercial builders and developers and inadequate conservation personnel as causes for its failure to achieve the commercial energy audit program's DSM goals. As discussed in Section 1, the Commission has recently established aggressive DSM goals for the FEECA utilities, and contrary to the former goals, the goals established in 2009 contain a provision that will allow the Public Service Commission (PSC) to assess penalties to utilities who do not achieve their goals. The Commission will continue to monitor the progress of all FEECA utilities' efforts to meet the newly approved goals and take appropriate action, if necessary.

While utility compliance with FEECA is important, consumer choice also plays an essential role in reducing the growth rates of electrical demand and energy in Florida. Smaller, more efficient homes; energy-efficient appliances, including air conditioning systems; energy-efficiency improvements to existing homes to reduce energy losses; and increased use of the most efficient and cost-effective demand-side renewable systems are areas where customers may actively be involved with electric energy conservation. As power plant sites and transmission corridors grow scarce in Florida, utility efforts to defer future generating units and transmission lines become increasingly important. Customer participation in utility-offered DSM and energy conservation programs and personal conservation decisions are vital to such efforts.

#### **3.3 Conservation Cost Recovery**

Investor-owned electric utilities are permitted to recover reasonable expenses, including incentives paid to participating customers, for Commission-approved DSM programs through the Energy Conservation Cost Recovery (ECCR) clause. Prior to seeking cost recovery through the ECCR clause, utilities are required to present evidence that new DSM programs are cost-effective and, therefore, benefit the general body of ratepayers. Program modifications must also be approved by the Commission prior to a utility seeking cost recovery through the ECCR clause.

Since 1981, Florida's investor-owned electric utilities have recovered nearly \$5 billion of conservation program expenditures through the ECCR clause, with over \$2.4 billion of that amount in the last 10 years. Depicted in Table 7, are annual DSM expenditures recovered from customers by Florida's investor-owned utilities through the ECCR clause over the last ten years. The table also shows that the investor-owned utilities' annual expenditures have remained fairly stable from 2003 to 2007, primarily due to DSM programs reaching saturation in participation levels and a decline in the cost-effectiveness of DSM programs resulting from the lower cost of

new generating units. However, expenditures in 2008 were approximately \$285 million following the implementation of several new programs approved by the Commission in 2006 and 2007.

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1999	158,376,162	68,431,962	18,129,268	2,963,888	300,415	\$248,201,695
2000	158,312,902	66,052,277	16,656,250	3,872,004	323,102	\$245,216,535
2001	157,660,093	64,831,597	17,600,060	4,984,286	358,054	\$245,434,090
2002	162,062,655	63,150,036	16,970,240	5,436,083	418,498	\$248,037,512
2003	150,026,657	62,156,585	17,518,874	7,313,033	381,563	\$237,396,712
2004	145,679,192	60,072,362	16,357,137	7,619,637	382,504	\$230,110,832
2005	144,192,696	59,143,076	15,583,727	8,826,754	473,610	\$228,219,863
2006	146,205,249	59,543,107	14,099,638	9,562,098	456,162	\$229,866,254
2007	146,204,978	67,109,815	13,652,585	9,107,952	515,022	\$236,589,592
2008	180,016,994	77,593,960	16,989,411	9,257,740	534,350	\$284,392,455
Total						\$2,433,465,540

 Table 7. DSM Expenditures Recovered Through the ECCR Clause

 (\$ Dollars)

Each November, the Commission determines an energy conservation cost recovery factor to be applied to the energy portion of each customer's bill during the following calendar year. These factors are set based on each utility's estimated conservation costs for the next calendar year, along with a true-up for any actual conservation cost under- or over-recovery for the previous year. The Commission most recently set conservation cost recovery factors for each rate class on December 1, 2009. These factors will take effect with the first billing cycle of 2010. Table 8, on the following page, displays the conservation cost recovery factors which will be applied to residential customer bills. These factors were applied to a bill based on 1,200 kilowatt-hour (kWh) energy usage to estimate the impact on a typical residential customer's monthly bill.

Balliy	Residential Conservation Cost Recovery Eactor (cents per 16975)	Typical Residential Monthly Bill Impact (based on 1,200 (Wb)
FPL	0.188	\$2.26
PEF	0.270	\$3.24
ТЕСО	0.254	\$3.05
Gulf	0.108	\$1.30
FPUC	0.080	\$0.96

# Table 8. Residential Conservation Cost Recovery Factors in 2010

# 3.4 Conservation Activities of Natural Gas Utilities

With the challenges of high fuel costs, local gas distribution companies (LDCs) are charged with developing and offering new and more efficient conservation programs. Any DSM program offered by Florida's investor-owned gas utilities must pass two economic tests to ensure the program benefits the participating customers and the company's entire customer base.

Under the Commission's Energy Conservation Cost Recovery (ECCR) clause, investorowned utilities petition the Commission for approval to implement natural gas conservation programs. Each of Florida's LDCs offers conservation programs and is authorized to participate in the ECCR. Cost-effective programs that are approved often give rebates to customers to help defray the cost of appliances, which, over time, save the customer money. Investments in energy efficiency typically reduce future bills and translate into savings for the average residential natural gas customer. Table 9 summarizes the conservation expenditures of Florida's natural gas utilities in 2008.

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	Силинет	Expenditures
Chesapeake Utilities	14,520	\$714,243
City Gas Company	103,565	\$2,678,650
Florida Public Utilities	51,957	\$1,962,670
Peoples Gas System	335,126	\$5,735,876
St. Joe Natural Gas	3,057	\$116,970
Indiantown Gas Company	680	\$15,806
Sebring (Transportation Only)	477	\$6,816
Total:	509,382	\$11,231,031

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# Table 9. Natural Gas Conservation Cost Recovery in 2008

# Section 4. Florida Energy Conservation Standards Act

Section 553.954, F.S., directs the Department of Community Affairs (DCA) to adopt, modify, revise, update, and maintain the Florida Energy Conservation Standards. Section 553.963, F.S., lists the appliances whose energy-efficiency standards are monitored by the DCA. Those appliances include refrigerators, refrigerator-freezers, lighting equipment, and showerheads.

Pursuant to Section 553.975, F.S., the Commission must report the effectiveness of energy conservation standards in the state. Appliance efficiency standards are mandatory efficiency improvements that will reduce the need for utility DSM goals. Utility programs offer rebates and incentives for appliances that exceed minimum efficiency standards, thereby avoiding duplicate savings estimates.

# **Appendix 1. Educating Florida's Consumers On Conservation**

The PSC's consumer education program employs a variety of tools to share conservation information with consumers, such as public events, brochure distribution, and educational articles. The Commission also continues to seek existing community events and develop new events where educational materials may be distributed and discussed with citizens. Highlights from the PSC's 2009 conservation education activities include National Consumer Protection Week, the Library Outreach Program, Earth Day and development of the *Get Wise and Conserve Florida* student resource guide.

# National Consumer Protection Week and Other Public Events

National Consumer Protection Week (March 1-7, 2009). National Consumer Protection Week played a significant role in the PSC's 2009 conservation education efforts. The Commission partnered with WORKFORCE *plus* to help Florida's unemployed residents save money on their telephone and utility bills. Chairman Matthew M. Carter II began the week's activities with a presentation to consumers at the WORKFORCE *plus* office in Tallahassee. Additional events were held in Jacksonville, Tampa, and Madison. In keeping with the 2009 national theme, *Nuts and Bolts: Tools for Today's Economy*, presentations included information about reducing utility expenses through conservation, and consumers were provided with educational brochures featuring tips on energy and water conservation.

*Community Events*. The PSC participates in consumer programs and distributes conservation-related materials through partnerships with governmental entities, consumer groups, and many other organizations. Examples of events where conservation information was shared during 2009 include Ambassadors for Aging Day, Gadsden County Come Together Day, West Florida Community Day, Lincoln Neighborhood Center Senior Day, National Employ Older Workers Week, and National Lifeline Awareness Week. The PSC also provided a variety of conservation brochures to be distributed by Lake County during Public Assistance Day and the Ninth Annual Central Florida Kidfest and Family Expo.

*Hearings and Customer Meetings*. As an ongoing outreach initiative, the Commission supplies conservation brochures to consumers at hearings and customer meetings across the state. These public meetings give staff an opportunity to distribute information and address consumer questions. Consumers who file a complaint with the Commission about high electric or natural gas bills also receive conservation information.

#### **Library Outreach and Youth Education Programs**

Library Outreach Program. The Commission's Library Outreach Program is an effective consumer education program with a statewide impact. Each year the PSC provides educational brochures to be distributed by Florida's 280 public libraries and branches. Special emphasis is placed on publications that feature practical energy and water conservation tips. Results from annual surveys to library administrators indicate their continuing support for the program and their willingness to partner with the Commission on future outreach projects. Some libraries also request additional materials throughout the year to maintain brochure supplies for library patrons.

*Youth Education.* The PSC has placed increased emphasis on educating Florida's young consumers as an effective way to expand conservation education. In 2009, the PSC participated in the Earth Day celebration at the Florida Capitol that focused on *Green Schools*. Chairman Carter attended the event to introduce the Tallahassee Young Actors Theatre premier of *Somewhere That's Green*, and PSC staff provided students and their teachers with energy and water conservation tips they can use on campus and at home. The PSC also provided several presentations about energy and water conservation to more than 100 school children at the W. R. Tolar Summer Camp in Bristol.

During 2009, the PSC developed and published the new *Get Wise and Conserve* booklet to educate children about energy and water conservation, as well as provide some telecommunications facts. The student resource book features the colorful characters Electra, Deputy Drip, and Tammy Talkalot who help children learn the importance of conservation. These three young utility experts take the children on a learning journey that includes energy riddles, fun facts, word games, and art projects. The booklet has been distributed to some public libraries and was used at the W. R. Tolar Summer Camp.

In recent years, the PSC developed and helped produce two conservation plays: *Turn It On, Turn It Off* and *Water Wiser*. The plays were designed to be performed by teen drama groups or young school children for their classmates, thereby increasing the students' interest in learning about conservation. The PSC continues to work with school programs that are interested in producing these plays. Both plays are included in the *Arts in Education Directory*, produced by the Tallahassee-Leon County Council on Culture and Arts, that serves as a resource guide for teachers seeking information about educational programs available in the area.

# **Educational Brochures and Articles**

The PSC's conservation brochures are available to consumers through the PSC's Web site at <u>http://www.floridapsc.com/publications/</u>. The brochures may be viewed and printed directly from the Web site, ordered via an online order system, or requested by mail or phone. The Commission's conservation brochures are periodically supplemented with additional information on current energy and water conservation topics through the Consumer E-Newsletter and Consumer Tips. Recent topics include the Florida Renewable Energy Portfolio, the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), *Have a Green Holiday with LED Lights*, and *Save Money with a Clean Air Filter* which is the first consumer tip to include a video demonstration. All Consumer E-Newsletters and Consumer Tips posted since 2005 are available on the PSC's Web site at: <u>http://www.floridapsc.com/consumers/newsletter/index.aspx</u> and <u>http://www.floridapsc.com/consumers/tips/</u>.

The PSC's Web site also features an interactive Energy Conservation House that gives informative "point and click" conservation tips for the home, helping consumers discover ways to reduce their monthly utility bills. The Energy Conservation House may be viewed at: <u>http://www.floridapsc.com/consumers/house/</u>.

Conservation information is also available to consumers through other governmental and utility Web sites. Appendix 3 to this report supplies a list of related Web sites belonging to state and federal entities, investor-owned electric utilities, and local gas distribution companies to assist consumers in researching additional conservation opportunities. The links to these utilities may also be located on the PSC Website as well.

# **Appendix 2.** Conservation Activities of FEECA Utilities

# A. Florida Power & Light Company

## **Residential Programs**

*Residential Building Envelope*. This program encourages qualified customers to install energyefficient building envelope measures that cost-effectively reduce FPL's coincident peak airconditioning load and customer energy consumption.

*Duct System Testing and Repair Program.* This program identifies air conditioning duct system leaks and has qualified contractors repair those leaks.

*Residential Air Conditioning Program.* This program provides financial incentives for residential customers to purchase a more efficient unit when replacing an existing air conditioning system.

*Residential Load Management Program (On Call Program)*. This program offers voluntary load control to residential customers.

*Residential New Construction Program (BuildSmart).* The program's objective is to encourage the design and construction of energy-efficient homes that cost-effectively reduce FPL's coincident peak load and customer energy consumption.

*Residential Low Income Weatherization Program*. This program employs a combination of energy audits and incentives to encourage low-income housing administrators to perform tuneups of Heating and Ventilation Air Conditioning (HVAC) systems and install reduced air infiltration energy efficiency measures.

#### **Commercial/Industrial Programs**

*Business Heating, Ventilating, and Air Conditioning Program.* This program reduces the current and future growth of coincident peak demand and energy consumption of business customers by increasing the use of high efficiency heating, ventilating, and air conditioning (HVAC) systems.

*Business Efficient Lighting*. This program encourages the installation of energy efficient lighting measures in business facilities.

*Business Customer Incentive*. This program assists FPL's business customers achieve electric demand and energy savings that are cost-efficient to all FPL customers. FPL provides incentives to qualifying customers who purchase, install, and successfully operate cost-effective energy efficiency measures not covered by other FPL programs.

*Business Building Envelope Program.* This program encourages eligible business customers to increase the efficiency of the qualifying portion of their building's envelope to reduce HVAC energy consumption and demand.

*Business On Call Program.* This program offers voluntary load control of central air conditioning to General Service and General Service Demand customers.

*Commercial Demand Reduction*. This program reduces coincident peak demand by controlling customer loads of 200 kW or greater during periods of extreme demand or capacity shortages.

*Business Energy Evaluation*. This program provides evaluations of business customers' existing and proposed facilities and encourages energy efficiency by identifying DSM opportunities and providing recommendations to the customer.

*Commercial/Industrial Load Control.* This program reduces coincident peak demand by controlling customer loads of 200 kW or greater during periods of extreme demand or capacity shortages.

*Cogeneration and Small Power Production*. This program facilitates the installation of cogeneration and small power production facilities.

*Business Water Heating*. This program encourages business customers to install qualifying Heat Recovery Units (HRU) or Heat Pump Water Heater (HPWR) equipment.

*Business Refrigeration Program.* This program encourages eligible business customers to install energy-saving equipment to reduce or eliminate the use of electric heating elements needed to prevent condensation on display case doors and to defrost freezer doors.

# **Research and Development and Pilot Program**

*Conservation Research and Development Program.* This program evaluates emerging conservation technologies to determine which are worthy of further evaluation as candidates for program development.

*Residential Thermostat Load Control Pilot Project.* This project provides participating residential customers a programmable thermostat and the option of overriding FPL's control of their central air conditioning and heating appliances via telephone or the Internet.

# **B.** Progress Energy Florida

# **Residential Programs**

*Home Energy Check.* This program provides Progress Energy Florida Inc.'s (PEF) residential customers with an analysis of energy consumption and recommendations on energy efficiency improvements. Acting as a motivational tool to identify, evaluate, and inform consumers on cost effective energy saving measures, the Home Energy Check is the foundation of the residential Home Energy Improvement program and is a program requirement for participation. Seven types of energy audits are available: the free walk-through, the paid walk-through (\$15 charge), the energy rating (Energy Gauge), the mail-in audit, an Internet option, a phone-assisted audit, and a student audit.

*Home Energy Improvement.* This efficiency program provides existing residential customers incentives for energy efficient heating, air conditioning, insulation upgrades, duct leakage repair, reflective roofing products, high performance windows, window film, and solar screens.

*Low-Income Weatherization Assistance Program.* This program's goal is to integrate PEF's DSM program measures with the Department of Community Affairs (DCA) and local weatherization providers to deliver energy efficiency measures to low-income families. Through this partnership, Progress Energy assists local weatherization agencies by providing energy education materials and financial incentives to weatherize the homes of low-income families.

*Energy Management (Residential and Commercial).* This load management program incorporates direct radio control of selected customer equipment to reduce system demand during peak capacity periods and/or emergency conditions by temporarily interrupting selected consumer appliances for special periods of time. Customers have a choice of options and receive

a credit on their monthly electric bills depending on the options selected and their monthly kWh usage.

*Neighborhood Energy Saver*. This program assists low-income families with escalating energy costs by implementing a comprehensive package of electric conservation measures at no cost to eligible customers. In addition to installing these measures, Progress seeks to achieve three important goals: educate participating families on proper energy efficiency techniques and best practices, change their energy-use behavior, and manage their energy usage.

*Renewable Energy Program.* This program consists of two areas that are designed to encourage the installation of renewable energy systems:

(1) Solar Water Heater with EnergyWise. This measure encourages residential customers to install a solar thermal water heating system. The customer must have whole house electric cooling, electric water heating and electric heating to be eligible for this program.

(2) Solar Photovoltaics with EnergyWise. This measure promotes environmental stewardship and renewable energy education through the installation of solar energy systems at schools within PEF's service territory. Customers participating in the Winter-Only EnergyWise or Year-Round EnergyWise Program can elect to donate their monthly credit toward the Solar Photovoltaics with EnergyWise Fund.

All proceeds collected from participating customers and their associated monthly credits, are used to promote photovoltaics and renewable energy educational opportunities.

#### **Commercial/Industrial Programs**

*Business Energy Check.* This free audit for non-residential customers can be completed at the facility by an auditor or online by the business customer. A paid audit provides a more thorough energy analysis for non-residential facilities. The program acts as a motivational tool to identify, evaluate, and inform consumers on cost-effective energy saving measures for their facilities. The Business Energy Check is the foundation of the Better Business Program and a requirement for participation.

*Better Business.* This efficiency program provides incentives to existing commercial and industrial customers for heating, air conditioning, motors, water heaters, roof installation upgrade, direct leakage and repair, window film, cool roof, and lighting.

*Commercial/Industrial New Construction*. This efficiency program provides incentives for the design and construction of energy efficient commercial and industrial facilities, including energy efficient heating, air conditioning, motors, water heating, window film, insulation, leak free ducts, cool roof, and lighting.

*Innovation Incentive*. The program encourages conservation efforts that are not supported by Progress Energy's other programs. Major equipment replacement or other actions that substantially reduce PEF peak demand requirements are evaluated to determine their impact on Progress Energy's system. If cost-effective, these actions may qualify for an economic incentive in order to shorten the payback time of the project.

*Standby Generation.* This program provides an incentive for customers to voluntarily operate their on-site generation during times of system peak.

*Interruptible Service Program.* This program is a rate tariff which allows PEF to switch off electrical service to customers during times of capacity shortages. The signal to operate the automatic switch is operated by the Energy Control Center. In return for this interruption, the customers receive a monthly rebate on their kW demand charge.

*Curtailable Service Program*. This program is a dispatchable DSM program in which customers contract to curtail or shut down a portion of their load during times of capacity shortages. The curtailment is done voluntarily by the customer when notified by PEF. In return for this cooperation, the customer receives a monthly rebate for the curtailable portion of their load.

*Technology Development Program.* This program allows PEF to undertake certain development and demonstration projects which have promise to become cost-effective conservation and energy efficiency programs.

# C. Gulf Power Company

# **Residential Programs**

*GoodCents Select Program.* This program provides the customer with a means of conveniently and automatically controlling and monitoring his/her energy purchases in response to prices that vary during the day and by season in relation to Gulf's cost of producing or purchasing energy.

*Residential Geothermal Heat Pump Program.* The program's purpose is to reduce the demand and energy requirements of new and existing residential customers through the promotion and installation of geothermal systems.

*Residential Energy Survey Program.* This program offers energy conservation advice to individuals and contractors building new homes. In addition the program advises existing residential customers to implement efficiency measures resulting in energy savings. Owners of existing homes may choose to have a Gulf Power representative conduct an on-site survey of their home, or they may opt to participate in either a mail-in or online interactive version of the survey, the Energy Check Up. Qualifying new home owners and contractors may request a survey of their final construction plans. Regardless of the option chosen, these surveys provide customers with specific whole-house energy recommendations.

#### **Commercial Programs**

*GoodCents Commercial Buildings Program*. This program educates commercial and industrial customers on the most cost-effective methods of designing new and improving existing buildings. The program stresses efficient heating and cooling equipment, improved thermal envelope, operation and maintenance, lighting, cooking, and water heating. Field representatives work with architects, engineers, consultants, contractors, equipment suppliers, building owners, and occupants to encourage them to make the most efficient use of all energy sources and available technologies.

*Commercial Geothermal Heat Pump Program.* The program's objective is to reduce the demand and energy requirements of new and existing commercial/industrial customers through the promotion and installation of advanced and emerging geothermal systems.

*Commercial/Industrial Energy Analysis*. This program provides advice to Gulf Power's existing commercial and industrial customers on how to reduce and make the most efficient use of energy. The program includes semi-annual and annual follow-ups with the customer to verify conservation measures installed and to reinforce the need to continue with more conservation efforts. Customers may participate by requesting a basic Energy Analysis Audit through either an on-site survey or a direct mail survey. A more comprehensive analysis can be provided through a Technical Assistance Audit.

*Energy Services Program.* This program establishes the capability and process to offer advanced energy services and energy efficient end-use equipment customized to meet the individual needs

of large customers. Potential projects are evaluated on a case-by-case basis and must be costeffective to qualify for incentives or rebates. Types of projects covered under this program include demand reduction or efficiency improvement retrofits, such as lighting (fluorescent and incandescent), motor replacements, HVAC retrofit (including geothermal applications), and new electro-technologies.

# **Research and Development Program**

*Conservation Demonstration and Development.* This package of conservation programs explores and pursues research, development, and demonstration projects to promote energy efficiency and conservation. The program serves as an umbrella program for the identification, development, demonstration, and evaluation of new or emerging end-use technologies.

*Renewable Energy*. This program encompasses a variety of voluntary renewable and green energy programs under development by Gulf Power. The voluntary pricing options for customers include, but are not limited to, EarthCents Solar (Photovoltaic Rate Rider) and the Solar for Schools program. In addition, the renewable energy program includes expenses necessary to prepare and implement a green energy pilot program using landfill gas, wind, solar, or other renewable energy sources.

# **D.** Tampa Electric Company (TECO)

# **Residential Programs**

*Residential Energy Audits*. On-site audits of premises, online audits, and telephone surveys instruct customers how to use conservation measures and practices to reduce their energy usage.

*Duct Repair*. This program reduces weather-sensitive peaks by offering incentives to encourage the repair of the air distribution system in a residence.

*Heating and Cooling Program.* This program reduces weather-sensitive peaks of residential customers by providing incentives for the installation of high efficiency heating and air conditioning equipment at existing residences.

*Residential Building Envelope Improvement*. This program reduces demand and saves energy by decreasing the load on residential air conditioning and heating (HVAC) equipment. Eligible

customers can receive incentives to add ceiling installation, exterior walls, window replacements and window film.

*Prime Time Program.* This load management program directly controls the larger loads in residential customers' homes such as air conditioning, water heating, electric space heating, and pool pumps. Participating customers receive monthly credits on their electric bills. The program is currently closed to new participants.

*Renewable Energy Initiative*. This program assists in the delivery of renewable energy for TECO's Renewable Energy Program by providing funding for program administration, evaluation, and market research.

*Price Responsive Load Management.* This program reduces weather sensitive peak loads by offering a multi-tiered rate structure as an incentive for participating customers to reduce their electric demand during high cost or critical periods of generation.

*Residential Low-Income Weatherization*. This program saves demand and energy by decreasing the energy consumption at a residence. The program is aimed at low-income customers and provides, at no cost to qualified customers, the following: eight compact fluorescent lamps, one water heater wrap, three low-flow faucet aerators, two showerheads, a window (HVAC) weatherstripping kit, wall plate thermometers, HVAC filters, weatherstripping, caulking, and ceiling insulation (up to R-19).

*Educational Energy Awareness* – *Pilot*. This program saves demand and energy by increasing customer awareness of available conservation measures and practices that can reduce the individual's energy use. TECO partners with schools within its service area at the eighth grade level to teach students the benefits of energy efficiency.

*Energy Plus Homes.* This program encourages the new home construction to be above the minimum energy efficiency levels required by the State of Florida Energy Efficiency Code for New Construction through the installation of high efficiency equipment and building envelope options.

# **Commercial Programs**

*Cogeneration.* This program encourages the development of cost-effective commercial and industrial cogeneration facilities through the evaluation and administration of standard offers and the negotiation of contracts for the purchase of firm capacity and energy.

*Commercial Cooling.* The purpose of this program is to encourage the installation of high efficiency direct expansion (DX) commercial air conditioning equipment.

*Commercial Lighting*. This program reduces weather-sensitive peaks by encouraging investment in more efficient lighting technology in commercial facilities.

*Commercial Load Management*. This load management program's purpose is to achieve weather-sensitive demand reductions through load control of equipment at the facilities of firm commercial customers.

*Standby Generator*. This program uses the emergency generation capacity at firm commercial and industrial facilities to reduce weather-sensitive peak demand.

*Conservation Value*. This incentive program for firm commercial and industrial customers encourages additional investments in substantial demand shifting or demand reduction measures.

*Industrial Load Management*. This program is for large industrial customers with interruptible loads of 500 kW or greater.

*Commercial Duct Repair.* This program reduces weather-sensitive peaks by offering incentives to encourage the repair of the air distribution system in a facility.

*Commercial Building Envelope Improvement.* This program saves demand and energy by decreasing the load on air conditioning and heating (HVAC) equipment. Eligible customers can receive incentives to add ceiling insulation, exterior wall insulation, and window film.

*Commercial Efficient Motors*. This program encourages commercial/industrial customers to install premium-efficiency motors in new or existing facilities through incentives. The program aims to reduce the growth of peak demand and energy by encouraging customers to replace worn out, inefficient equipment with high efficiency equipment that exceeds minimum product manufacturing standards.

#### **Research and Development**

This five-year Research and Development program is directed at end-use technologies (both residential and commercial) not yet commercially available, where insufficient data exists for measure evaluations specific to Central Florida climate.

# E. Florida Public Utilities Company

# **Residential Programs**

*Geothermal Heat Pump Program.* This program reduces the demand and energy requirements of new and existing residential customers through the promotion and installation of advanced and emerging geothermal systems.

*Residential Heating and Cooling Efficiency Upgrade.* The purpose of this program is to reduce the rate of growth in peak demand and energy throughout the company's service territories by increasing the number of high-efficiency heat pumps.

*GoodCents Home/Energy Star Program.* This program provides guidance concerning energy efficiency in new construction by promoting energy efficient home construction techniques and by evaluating the energy efficient components of design and construction.

*GoodCents Energy Survey Program.* The program promotes the installation of cost-effective conservation measures by giving the customer specific whole-house recommendations regarding energy efficiency. The survey process also checks for possible duct leakage.

*Residential Ceiling Insulation Upgrade Program.* This program reduces peak demand and energy consumption by decreasing the load presented by the residential air-conditioning and heating equipment. Customers are required to add at least R-11 of ceiling insulation to qualify for a \$100 incentive in the form of an Insulation Certificate that may be applied to the total cost of installing the added ceiling insulation.

# **Commercial Programs**

*GoodCents Commercial Building Program.* This program is addresses the most common critical areas in commercial buildings affecting summer peak kW demand: thermal efficiency of the building and HVAC equipment efficiency. In addition, the program is designed to ensure that buildings are constructed with energy efficiency levels above the Florida Model Energy code standards.

*GoodCents Commercial Technical Assistance Audit*. This program is an interactive program that assists commercial customers in identifying advanced energy conservation opportunities. Customers receive an on-site review of the facility operation, equipment, and energy usage pattern by a Florida Public Utilities Company Conservation Specialist. In addition, a technical evaluation is performed to determine the economic payback or life cycle cost for various improvements to the facility.

*Commercial Indoor Efficient Lighting Rebate Program.* This program reduces peak demand and energy consumption by decreasing the load presented by commercial lighting equipment. The program requires that commercial customers achieve at least 1,000 watts of lighting reduction from any lighting source that has been retrofitted with a more efficient fluorescent lighting system (ballasts and lamps). By doing so, customers qualify for an incentive of 10 cents per watt reduced.

# **Educational and Research Programs**

*Low Income*. This program provides low-income customers with basic energy education and informs the customers of specific services offered by the utility.

*Affordable Housing Builders and Providers.* This program encourages affordable housing builders to attend educational seminars and workshops related to energy efficient construction, retrofit programs, financing programs, and the GoodCents Home program. The company works with the Florida Energy Extension Service and other seminar sponsors to offer a minimum of two seminars and/or workshops per year.

*Conservation Demonstration and Development (CDD).* The program pursues research, development, and demonstration projects that are designed to promote energy efficiency and conservation.

#### F. Orlando Utilities Commission

### **Residential Programs**

*Residential Energy Survey Program.* This program provides residential customers with recommended energy efficiency measures and practices. The program consists of three measures: the Residential Energy Walk-Through Survey, the Residential Energy Survey Video and DVD, and an interactive Online Home Energy Audit.

*Residential Energy Efficiency Rebate Program.* The purpose of this program is to reward customers who have invested in energy-efficient heat pumps, weather stripping, insulation, duct repairs, or other energy-savings measures for their single family homes.

*Residential Home Energy Fix-Up Program.* This program is offered to residential customers with a total annual family income of \$35,000 or less. OUC pays 85 percent of the cost of specified home weatherization measures recommended in the Residential Energy Survey requested by the customer.

*Residential Financed Insulation Program.* Orlando Utilities offers this program to customers who use some type of electric heat and/or air conditioning. In order to qualify, customers must request a free Residential Energy Survey and have a satisfactory credit rating with Orlando Utilities. The program allows customers who insulate their attics to a minimum R-19 level to pay for the insulation on their monthly bills for up to two years interest free with no money down. Also, customers receive a \$100 rebate deducted from the financed amount.

*Residential Efficient Electric Heat Pump Program.* The purpose of this program is to provide rebates to qualifying customers who install heat pumps having a seasonal energy efficiency ratio (SEER) of 14.0 or higher. Customers will be qualified to obtain a rebate in the form of a credit on their bill of \$100, \$200, or \$300, if they install heat pumps with a SEER rating of 14, 15, or 16 respectively.

*Residential Gold Ring Home Program.* This program is closely aligned with Energy Star ratings. Orlando Utilities partnered with local home builders to construct new homes according to federal Energy Star standards. Some features include high efficiency heat pumps, heat recovery water heaters, R-30 attic insulation, interior air ducts, double pane windows, and window shading. Contractors are required to qualify its homes to Energy Star standards by having the homes rated by a certified rater. In return for each Energy Star home certification, the builder receives a rebate of \$200 for single-family homes and \$100 for townhomes. In addition, OUC will help support the builder's efforts through further advertising and other promotional strategies.

*Residential Energy Conservation Rate.* This program makes Orlando Utilities' customers more energy-conscientious by encouraging conservation. Orlando Utilities modified its residential rate structure to a two-tiered block structure to encourage energy conservation. Customers using more than 1,000 kWh per month pay a higher rate for the additional energy usage.

# **Commercial Programs**

*Commercial Energy Survey Program.* The purpose of this program is to focus on increasing energy efficiency and energy conservation in commercial buildings. A free survey comprised of a physical walk-through inspection of the commercial facility performed by experienced energy experts is included.

*Commercial Indoor Lighting Retrofit Program.* The program reduces energy consumption for the commercial customer through the replacement of older fluorescent and incandescent lighting with newer, more efficient lighting technologies.

*Commercial OUConsumption Online Program.* This program enables businesses to check their energy use and demand from a desktop computer, allowing business owners to manage their energy load. Participants must cover a one-time program set-up fee of \$45, a \$45 monthly fee per meter for the service, and the cost of additional infrastructure (ranging between \$0 and \$500) at the meters, which may be required.

*Commercial OUConvenient Lighting Program.* This program provides complete outdoor lighting services for commercial applications, including industrial parks, sports complexes, and residential developments. Each lighting package is customized for each participant, allowing the participant to choose among light fixtures. Upfront financial costs and maintenance are controlled by Orlando Utilities. The participant then pays a low monthly fee for each fixture. Orlando Utilities also retrofits existing fixtures to new light sources or higher output units. New agreements have allowed this program to expand into neighboring communities like Clermont, Oviedo, and Brevard County.

*Commercial Power Quality Analysis Program.* This program gives Orlando Utilities the ability to ensure the highest possible power quality to commercial customers. The program's goals include making the maximum effort to solve power quality problems through monitoring and

interpretive analysis, identifying solutions that will lead to corrective action, and providing ongoing follow-up services to monitor results.

*Commercial Infrared Inspections Program.* The purpose of this program is to help customers uncover potential reliability and power quality problems. The infrared inspection detects thermal energy and measures the temperature of wires, breakers, and other electrical equipment components. The information is transferred into actual images and those images reveal potential problem areas and hot spots that are invisible to the naked eye.

*OUCooling.* Funded originally in 1997, this program allows Orlando Utilities to fund, install and maintain a central chiller plant for each business district participating under the program. Benefits to the businesses are lower energy consumption, increased reliability, no environmental risks associated with the handling of chemicals, avoided initial capital cost, lower maintenance costs, a smaller mechanical room, no insurance requirements, improved property resale value, and availability of maintenance personnel for other duties.

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### **Residential Programs**

*The Solar Incentive*. In this Green/Clean Power Program, cash incentives are paid for customers to install solar photovoltaic and solar thermal systems at a residence or business. Incentives are paid directly to the contractors who must net the incentive against the charge to the customer. The amount of the incentive varies with the project type and location, as well as other factors; the incentive amounts to as much as 30 percent of system cost for a photovoltaic system or \$25 per square foot for solar water collectors. A maximum of \$25,000 is paid for each project.

*Residential Net Metering*. This program is offered to encourage the use of customer-sited solar photovoltaic electric generating systems. JEA requires that the system be installed according to JEA engineering standards, and then JEA will install a meter which turns backward when a customer's system is producing more energy than the customer is using. The amount of electricity billed is reduced by the amount of electricity exported to the JEA system.

*District Chilled Water Service*. Where available, this service uses a centralized chiller plant circulating cold water via an underground network to meet the air conditioning needs of multiple buildings. For participating buildings, the savings come by eliminating redundant installations of on-site chillers and their associated operating costs.

*Performance Contracting.* This program offers a guarantee to a building owner that capital improvements will result in sufficient energy and operational savings to cover the project cost. The program evaluates a project and then provides turnkey installation, followed by measurement and verification of savings to support self-funding of the project. The costs of improvements are recovered through the savings.

*Lighting Solutions*. This plan offers lighting energy audits and associated energy use analyses. The consumer has access to opportunities for financing projects and installing equipment to reduce energy costs, increase energy efficiency, and enhance energy management.

*Low-Income Residential Audits One*. Performed by the Jacksonville Housing Partnership under contract with JEA, this program provides for the installation of a conservation measure consistent with a priority list established by JEA. The number of installations is capped at 150 per year, consistent with the Housing Partnership mission focus on major repairs for the residential customer served.

*Low-Income Residential Audits Two.* This program uses JEA personnel for energy and conservation audits in participating dwellings supervised by the local public housing authority. The audit emphasizes the lifestyle choices available to the individual consumer and the direct impact of those choices on the amount of energy used. As part of this program, JEA personnel may give educational presentations to large audiences.

*Free Energy Audits*. These audits, offered to residential and commercial customers, may be in person, online, or by video. JEA maintains the ENERGYsmart Library, which provides information on energy usage and technologies. The library covers a wide range of topics associated with energy consumption, including food storage, water heating technologies, temperature selection, three phase motors, light industrial equipment, the Energy Star label, and weatherization.

# Appendix 3. Related Web Sites

# **State Agencies and Organizations**

Florida Public Service Commission, http://www.floridapsc.com/

Florida Department of Environmental Protection, http://www.dep.state.fl.us

*Florida Energy and Climate Commission*, <u>http://myfloridaclimate.com/climate\_quick\_links/florida\_energy\_climate\_commission</u>

*Florida Solar Energy Center*, <u>http://www.fsec.ucf.edu/</u>

*Florida Weatherization Assistance*, http://www.floridacommunitydevelopment.org/wap/index.cfm

*Florida's Local Weatherization Agencies List*, <u>http://www.floridacommunitydevelopment.org/CommunityAssistanceContactList.pdf</u>

#### **U.S. Agencies and National Organizations**

National Energy Foundation, http://www.nef1.org/

U.S. Energy Star Program, http://www.energystar.gov/

U.S. Department of Energy – Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Information, http://www.eere.energy.gov/

U.S. Department of Energy – Consumer Energy Efficiency Tips, http://www.eere.energy.gov/consumer/your home/

U.S. Department of Energy – Consumer Energy Saving Information, http://www.energysavers.gov/

# Florida's Electric Utilities Subject to FEECA

Florida Power & Light Company, <u>http://www.fpl.com/</u> Florida Public Utilities Company, <u>http://www.fpuc.com/</u> Tampa Electric Company, <u>http://www.tampaelectric.com/</u> Gulf Power Company, <u>http://www.gulfpower.com/</u> Progress Energy Florida, Inc., <u>http://www.progress-energy.com/</u> Orlando Utilities Commission, <u>http://www.ouc.com/</u>

JEA, http://www.jea.com/

# Florida's Investor-Owned Natural Gas Utilities

Chesapeake Utilities Corporation, http://www.cfgas.com/

Florida City Gas, http://www.floridacitygas.com/

Florida Public Utilities Company, http://www.fpuc.com/

Peoples Gas System, http://www.peoplesgas.com/

St. Joe Natural Gas Company, http://www.stjoenaturalgas.com/