

**STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**

GULF POWER COMPANY

Petitioner,

vs.

OGC CASE NO. 97-1822

**STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT
OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION,**

Respondent.

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**ORDER GRANTING REQUEST FOR EXTENSION
OF TIME TO FILE PETITION FOR HEARING**

This cause has come before the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (Department) on receipt of a request made by Petitioner, Gulf Power Company, to grant an extension of time to file a petition for an administrative hearing on Application No. 0050014-001-AV. See Exhibit 1.

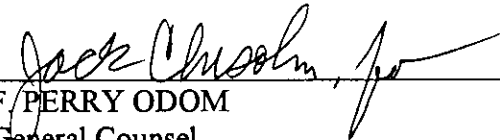
Counsel for Petitioner has discussed this request with counsel for the Respondent Department. The Department has no objection to it. Therefore,

IT IS ORDERED:

The request for an extension of time to file a petition for administrative proceeding is granted. Petitioner shall have until July 1, 1998, to file a petition in this matter. Filing shall be complete on receipt by the Office of General Counsel, Department of Environmental Protection, 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Mail Station 35, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000.

DONE AND ORDERED on this 15th day of April 1998 in Tallahassee, Florida.

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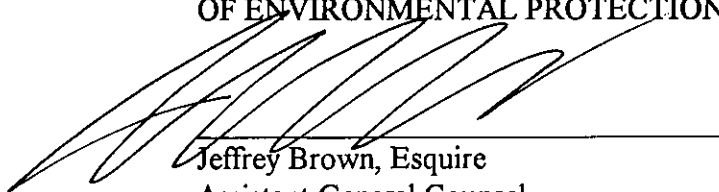

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CRTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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1. On or about October 13, 1997, Gulf received from the Department of Environmental Protection (Department) an "Intent to Issue Title V Air Operation Permit" (Permit No. 0050014-001-AV) for the Smith Plant located in Bay County, Florida. Along with the Intent to Issue, Gulf received a draft Title V permit and "Public Notice of Intent to Issue Title V Air Operation Permit."
2. By order dated January 5, 1998, the Department granted an extension of time until April 1, 1998, within which to file a petition for an administrative hearing.
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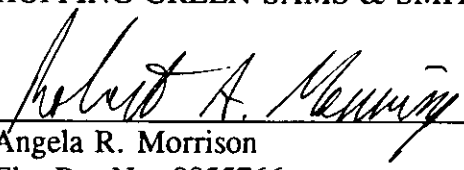
5. This request is filed simply as a protective measure to avoid waiver of Gulf's right to challenge certain conditions contained in the draft Title V permit. Grant of this request will not prejudice either party, but will further their mutual interest and likely avoid the need to file a petition and proceed to a formal administrative hearing.

6. Jonathan Holtom with the Bureau of Air Regulation has agreed to an extension until July 1, 1998, on behalf of the Department. Representatives from Gulf have attempted without success to contact Jeffrey Brown with the Office of General Counsel regarding this request.

WHEREFORE, Gulf respectfully requests that the time for filing of a Petition for Administrative Proceedings in regard to the Department's Intent to Issue Title V Air Operation Permit for Permit No. 0050014-001-AV be formally extended to and including July 1, 1998.

Respectfully submitted this 26 day of March, 1998.

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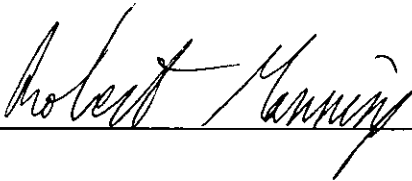
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I HEREBY CERTIFY that a copy of the foregoing has been furnished to the following

by U.S. Mail on this 26 day of March, 1998:

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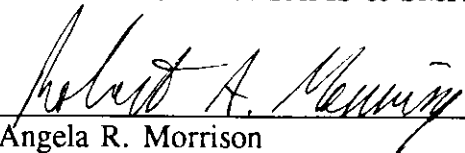
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