THE STATE OF FLORIDA

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION RECEIVED

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BUREAU OF AIR REGULATION

In the Matter of an Application for Permit by:

OGC No. 97-1822

Gulf Power Company One Energy Place Pensacola, FL 32520 Permit No.: 0050014-001-AV Smith Plant

Bay County

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

By and through undersigned counsel, Gulf Power Company (Gulf) hereby requests, pursuant to Florida Administrative Code Rules 62-110.106(4), an extension of time, to and including October 15, 1999, in which to file a Petition for Administrative Proceedings in the above-styled matter. As good cause for granting this request, Gulf states the following:

- 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 August 5, 1999, the Department granted an extension of time until August 16, 1999, within which to file a petition for an administrative hearing.
- 3. The draft permit and associated documents contain several provisions that warrant clarification or correction.

4. Representatives of Gulf have corresponded and intend to continue to correspond

with staff of the Department's Bureau of Air Regulation in an effort to resolve all issues.

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. Counsel for Gulf has attempted without success to contact Scott Goorland with

the Department's 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 October 15, 1999.

If the Department denies this request, Gulf requests the opportunity to file a Petition for

Administrative Proceedings within 10 days of such denial.

Respectfully submitted this 12th day of August, 1999.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a copy of the foregoing has been furnished to the following by U.S. Mail on this 12th day of August, 1999:

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