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SUBJ: Preliminary Determination and Draft PSD Permit for FPC - Hines (PSD-FL-296) located in Polk County, Florida

Dear Mr. Linero:

Thank you for sending the preliminary determination and draft prevention of significant deterioration (PSD) permit for the FPC - Hines facility dated January 12, 2001. The preliminary determination is for the proposed construction and operation of two combined cycle combustion turbines (CTs) with a total nominal generating capacity of 530 MW to be located near Bartow, FL. The combustion turbines proposed for the facility are Siemens Westinghouse 501FD units and will be coupled with unfired heat recovery steam generating units. The CTs will primarily combust pipeline quality natural gas with No. 2 fuel oil combusted as backup fuel. As proposed, the CTs will be allowed to fire natural gas up to 8,760 hours per year and fire No. 2 fuel oil a maximum of 720 hours per year. Total net emissions increases from the proposed project are above the thresholds requiring PSD review for nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>), carbon monoxide (CO), sulfur dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>), particulate matter (PM/PM<sub>10</sub>) and volatile organic compounds (VOC).

Based on our review of the PSD permit application, preliminary determination and draft PSD permit, we have the following comments:

- 1. In Section III, condition 7 of the draft PSD permit, excess emissions during startup and shutdown are allowed for up to 4 hours in any 24-hour period. Because periods of startup and shutdown are part of normal source operation, we recommend that the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) also consider future establishment of startup and shutdown best available control technology (BACT) emission limits for CO and NO<sub>x</sub> derived from monitoring results during the first few months of commercial operation. We further recommend that FDEP include definitions of what constitutes startup and shutdown episodes as referenced in Condition 7.
- 2. In Section III, condition 5 of the draft PSD permit, the emission rates for NO<sub>x</sub> and CO while burning fuel oil are set as 12 ppmvd and 30 ppmvd on a 24-hour block average, respectively,

- as measured by CEMS. We recommend that FDEP consider a 3-hour averaging period, consistent with the limits for fuel oil combustion in several previous Florida PSD permits.
- 3. The following comments are specific to the economic analyses for selective catalytic reduction (SCR), SCONOx<sup>TM</sup>, and catalytic oxidation pollution control systems.
  - a. The "Direct Annual Costs" section of the above mentioned cost analyses list an "Inventory Cost" (capital recovery for 1/3 catalyst) in addition to a "Catalyst Cost." It is our understanding that the "inventory cost" refers to the cost of maintaining an inventory of catalyst while the "catalyst cost" is the actual cost of purchasing replacement catalyst annualized over a 3 year period. Further information should be provided detailing the rationale for maintaining a long-term inventory of catalyst if the replacement of catalyst is normally planned for in advance.
  - b. The "Annualized Total Direct Capital" cost of the above mentioned cost analyses is too high because it contains a double-counting of catalyst cost. Catalyst cost is already included in the annualized "Catalyst Cost" and should be deducted from the total capital investment when calculating capital recovery. This concept is explained in the following excerpt from the *OAQPS Control Cost Manual*: "However, whenever there are parts in the control system that must be replaced before the end of its useful life, Equation 2.2 [the capital recovery cost calculation equation] must be adjusted, to avoid double-counting."
  - c. It is unclear what basis is used for calculating the annual cost associated with the "MW Loss and Heat Rate Penalty" item in the "Energy Cost" section of the SCR and SCONOx<sup>TM</sup> cost analyses (0.3 percent and 0.75 percent MW loss, respectively). Although it is appropriate to calculate the cost of using additional natural gas to compensate for the power consumption resulting from pressure drops across the catalyst bed, lost revenue should not be included in the cost analyses.
  - d. The "Direct Annual Costs" section of the SCR and SCONOx™ cost analyses includes a 3 percent annual contingency fee in addition to the 3 percent capital contingency fee found in the "Indirect Costs" section. This approach is inconsistent with the *OAQPS Control Cost Manual*. If there is reason to suggest the need for an annual contingency fee in addition to the one included in the capital cost section, the applicant should provide this reason.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the FPC - Hines facility preliminary determination and draft PSD permit. If you have any questions regarding these comments, please direct them to either Katy Forney at 404-562-9130 or Jim Little at 404-562-9118.

Sincerely,

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Re:

FPC Hines Energy Complex Power Block 2

DEP File No. 1050234-004-AC PSD Permit No. PSD-FL-296

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Enclosed for your files is the original Proof of Publication from the Lakeland Ledger for the above-referenced Notice of Intent to Issue PSD Permit for the FPC Hines Energy Complex Power Block 2. This notice was published on January 24, 2001.

Please do not hesitate to call me if you have any questions concerning the above.

Sincerely,

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