STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT (SANFORD POWER PLANT)

Petitioner,

vs.

OGC CASE NO. 97-1769

STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION,

Respondent.

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, FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT, to grant an extension of time to file a petition for an administrative hearing on Permit No. 1270009-001-AV. See Exhibit 1.

Although Counsel for Petitioner has not discussed this request with counsel for the Respondent State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection, 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 February 28, 1998, to file a petition in this matter. Filing shall be complete on receipt by the Office of General Counsel, Mail Station 35, Department of Environmental Protection, 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000.



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October 8, 1997

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RE: Sanford Power Plant

Notice of Intent to Issue Proposed Permit No. 1270009-001-AV - Draft

Dear Mr. Beason:

On October 8, 1997, Florida Power and Light Company (FPL) received the referenced Notice of Intent to Issue Proposed Permit for its Martin Power Plant located in Martin County, Florida. The Notice of Intent was issued by the Department's Tallahassee Office and was signed by Martin J. Costello, P.E., of DEP's Bureau of Air Regulation.

FPL has been working in good faith with the Department to identify and resolve outstanding permit issues regarding the referenced facility. The Department and FPL agree that more time is needed to complete the permitting process for this facility. FPL hereby requests, pursuant to Rule 62-103.070, F.A.C., an extension to and including February 28, 1998, in which to file a petition for administrative proceedings regarding the Notice of Intent to Issue the Proposed Air Construction and Air Operating permits. FPL also requests an identical extension of time in which to public notice the Notice of Intent to Issue the Permits as required under Section 403.815, F.S. and Rule 62-103.150, F.A.C. As good cause for granting the requests for extension of time for filing and public noticing, FPL states the following:

This request is filed simply as a protective measure to avoid waiver of FPL's right to challenge the permit as issued. Granting of this request will not prejudice either party, but will further their mutual interests and likely avoid the need to initiate formal administrative proceedings. FPL is committed to amicably resolving all outstanding issues related to this permit issuance so that the Department's Title V program objectives may be met.

I hereby certify that I have contacted Mr. Clair Fancy, P.E., regarding this request, and he has agreed to this request for extension of time.

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Accordingly, I hereby request that you formally extend the time for filing of a petition for administrative proceedings to and including February 28, 1998.

Sincerely,

Richard Piper

Senior Environmental Specialist Florida Power & Light Company