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The Honorable Chris Wright
Secretary of Energy
United States Department of Energy
1000 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, DC 20585-1000

**Re: Endorsement of Duke Energy Florida's Application for Emergency Order Under
Section 202(c) of the Federal Power Act**

Dear Secretary Wright:

The Florida Reliability Coordinating Council (FRCC) formally endorses the application submitted by an FRCC member, Duke Energy Florida, LLC (Duke Energy), as follows:

"Because the output from all of the units subject to these restrictions would help to reduce the need for any firm load shedding that may be required during this extreme cold weather event, Duke Energy seeks an immediate order from the Department authorizing the provision of additional energy from the Specified Resources, as well as any other generating units, regardless of emissions or other permit limitations. To minimize adverse environmental impacts as set forth herein, this order limits operation of dispatched units to the times and within the parameters determined by Duke Energy as necessary for grid reliability to avoid adverse health and safety impacts to customers from shedding firm customer load."

The primary mission of the FRCC is to provide oversight of the Reliability Coordinator function and to maintain the reliability of the interconnected Bulk Electric System (BES). It is the FRCC's firm opinion that issuing such an order will provide an immeasurable benefit to this mission and in turn, the public served by the FRCC and its member entities. Issuing this order will not only serve the reliability of Duke Energy's service territory, but also the many local electric cooperatives served by Duke Energy and other interconnected electric utilities and service providers.

The FRCC greatly appreciates the Department of Energy's expedited consideration of this request for one of our member entities. Please do not hesitate to contact me or my staff if you have any questions or require additional information to act on this request.

Respectfully,

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