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RE: Hines Energy Complex (PA 92-33)
Amendment Request (AM14-079)
Hines Chiller Project

Dear Mr. Gillespie:

On August 8, 2014, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (Department) Siting Coordination Office received a request from Duke Energy Florida (DEF) for a post-certification amendment to the Hines Energy Complex (Hines) Site Certification Application (SCA). The amendment request is for addition of chiller units at the facility's existing combined cycle generating units.

Based on a review of the information submitted on August 8 and August 25, 2014, the Department has determined that this proposal has been properly characterized as an amendment, as it requests a material change to DEF's SCA pursuant to Section 403.5113(1), Florida Statute (F.S.), but does not require modification to the SCA. This letter serves as notification of the approval of the proposed amendment.

The Hines Energy Complex currently utilizes eight natural gas combined cycle units to for electrical generation. The addition of the inlet chillers will provide cooling water to the units' net summer generating capacity. The facility currently has an ultimate capacity of 3000 MW and this project will increase the current capacity from 2090 MW to approximately 2165 MW. However, the increased capacity will remain within the units' nameplate rating of 2,275 MW. The project will not affect the site's consumptive use and will avoid wetlands during the construction phase.

Failure to comply with all existing requirements of the Conditions of Certification, pursuant to section 403.514, F.S. shall constitute a violation of Chapter 403. The Department's notification shall become final unless a timely petition for an administrative hearing is filed under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, Florida Statutes (F.S.), within **21** days of receipt of this order. The procedures for petitioning for a hearing are set forth below.

Persons affected by this order have the following options:

If you choose to accept the above decision by the Department concerning the post-certification amendment you do not have to do anything. This order is final and effective as of the date on the top of the first page of this order.

If you disagree with the decision, you may do one of the following:

1. File a petition for administrative hearing with the Department's Office of General Counsel within **21** days of receipt of this order; or
2. File a request for an extension of time to file a petition for hearing with the Department's Office of General Counsel within **21** days of receipt of this order. Such a request should be made if you wish to meet with the Department in an attempt to informally resolve any disputes without first filing a petition for hearing.

Please be advised that mediation of this decision pursuant to Section 120.573, F.S., is not available.

How to Request an Extension of Time to File a Petition for Hearing

For good cause shown, pursuant to subsection 62-110.106(4), F.A.C., the Department may grant a request for an extension of time to file a petition for hearing. Such a request must be filed (received) in the Office of General Counsel of the Department at 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, MS 35, Tallahassee, Florida, 32399-3000, within **21** days of receipt of this order. Petitioner, if different from the addressee, shall mail a copy of the request to the addressee at the time of filing. Timely filing a request for an extension of time tolls the time period within which a petition for administrative hearing must be made.

How to File a Petition for Administrative Hearing

A person whose substantial interests are affected by this order may petition for an administrative proceeding (hearing) under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S. The petition must contain the information set forth below and must be filed (received) in the Office of General Counsel of the Department at 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, MS 35, Tallahassee, Florida, 32399-3000, within **21** days of receipt of this order. Petitioner, if different from the addressee, shall mail a copy of the petition to the addressee at the time of filing. Failure to file a petition within this time period shall waive the right of anyone who may request an administrative hearing under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S.

Pursuant to Sections 120.54(5)(b)4 and 120.569(2), F.S. and Rule 28-106.201, F.A.C., a petition for administrative hearing shall contain the following information:

- a) The name, address, and telephone number of each petitioner, the name, address, and telephone number of the petitioner's representative, if any, the site owner's name and address, if different from the petitioner, the DEP certification number for the facility, and the name and address of the facility;
- b) A statement of how and when each petitioner received notice of the Department's action or proposed action;

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- c) An explanation of how each petitioner's substantial interests are or will be affected by the Department's action or proposed action;
- d) A statement of the material facts disputed by the petitioner, or a statement that there are no disputed facts;
- e) A statement of the ultimate facts alleged, including a statement of the specific facts the petitioner contends warrant reversal or modification of the Department's action or proposed action;
- f) A statement of the specific rules or statutes the petitioner contends requires reversal or modification of the Department's action or proposed action; and
- g) A statement of the relief sought by the petitioner, stating precisely the action petitioner wishes the Department to take with respect to the Department's action or proposed action.

This order is final and effective as of the date on the top of the first page of this order. Timely filing a petition for administrative hearing postpones the date this order takes effect until the Department issues either a final order pursuant to an administrative hearing or an order responding to supplemental information provided to the Department pursuant to meetings with the Department.

Judicial Review

Any party to this order has the right to seek judicial review of it under Section 120.68, F.S., by filing a notice of appeal under Rule 9.110 of the Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure with the clerk of the Department in the Office of General Counsel, 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, MS 35, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000, and by filing a copy of the notice of appeal accompanied by the applicable filing fees with the appropriate district court of appeal. The notice of appeal must be filed within thirty days after this order is filed with the clerk of the Department (see below).

Questions

Any questions regarding the Department's review of this amendment request should be directed to Bobby Bull at (850) 717-9111. Questions regarding legal issues should be referred to the Department's Office of General Counsel at (850) 245-2257. Contact with any of the above does not constitute a petition for administrative hearing or request for an extension of time to file a petition for administrative hearing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Justin Green', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Justin Green
Administrator,
Siting Coordination Office

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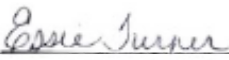
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FILING AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

FILED, on this date, pursuant to §120.52
Florida Statutes, with the designated
Department Clerk, receipt of which is
hereby acknowledged.



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