

July xx, 2008

<Name>
<Address>
<City, FL zip>

Important information about a Progress Energy Florida project in your community

Re: Parcel No. <xxxx>

Dear Property Owner:

Progress Energy Florida is planning for new electricity infrastructure to serve the future energy needs of Florida. As you may know, the company announced the potential to build a new nuclear plant with two units at a proposed site in Levy County. If we move forward with the plant construction, the company also plans to build a 13-mile rail line to transport large equipment to the site.

The rail line would connect the proposed nuclear plant with an existing CSX line in Dunnellon, about 13 miles to the east. The rail line would be used exclusively by Progress Energy. During construction of the plant, the rail line would be used to transport large pieces of equipment to the site, between three and six times per week. After construction, the line would be used significantly less frequently, for things such as transporting equipment for plant maintenance, up to two times per year. The rail line would be used when it is more feasible than transporting the equipment by truck or barge. Whenever possible, deliveries would be scheduled during off-peak hours to avoid disrupting traffic. The rail line will **not** be used to transport new or spent nuclear fuel.

The company has selected a preferred corridor for the proposed rail line. **A portion of your property (parcel number above) falls inside or within a quarter-mile of the preferred corridor.** Please note that the preferred corridor does **not** represent the specific route of the rail line – it is a 1-mile-wide area that Progress Energy Florida will study further for placement of the proposed rail line. The actual right of way needed for the rail line will be much more narrow -- no more than 200 feet wide. Progress Energy does **not** anticipate the need to buy any homes to accommodate the rail line. In the Dunnellon area, Progress Energy owns an abandoned rail corridor that we expect to utilize with very limited new right of way needed.

We plan to select the final rail route in the coming months. Construction of the rail line is expected to begin in June 2009 and end in late 2010. Limited train traffic would start at the earliest in late 2010. Progress Energy Florida has submitted a Site Certification Application, which included the preferred corridor for the rail line, to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). The complete file is online at ftp://ftp.dep.state.fl.us/pub/siting/Outgoing/FPL%20Levy/SCA_Rev_0/.

The enclosed map shows the preferred corridor for the proposed rail line. You will find more information about the proposed nuclear plant online by visiting www.progress-energy.com/energyplanning. If you have additional questions about the project or would like to provide any comments, you may send an e-mail to **EnergyPlanning@pgnmail.com** or call **888.238.0373**.

We will continue to communicate with you throughout this process. On behalf of Progress Energy Florida and the Community Partnership for Energy Planning, thank you for working with us as we move forward with this important project.

Sincerely,



Gail Simpson
Manager of Public Policy
Progress Energy Florida

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