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RE: Crystal River Energy Complex (PA77-09)
Modification to Conditions of Certification (Mod V)
OGC Case Number 25-0422

FINAL ORDER MODIFYING CONDITIONS OF CERTIFICATION

Mr. McAgy:

On November 21, 1978, the Florida Pollution Control Board issued a Site Certification to the Florida Power Corporation, now known as Duke Energy Florida (DEF), for the construction and operation of Crystal River Energy Complex (CREC) Units 4 and 5. On May 5, 2015, the Secretary of the Department of Environmental Protection (Department) issued a Site Certification to DEF for the construction and operation of the Citrus Combined Cycle Plant (CCCP) Units 1 and 2. The Department has modified the Conditions of Certification (Conditions) for CREC/CCCP by Final Order on 21 other occasions.

The Department has reviewed DEF's petition dated December 16, 2024, for a modification to CREC/CCCPs' Conditions pursuant to Section 403.516(1)(c), Florida Statutes (F.S.), to renew an exemption from the Class G-II ground water standard for sodium.

On March 14, 2025, all parties to the certification proceeding were provided notice of the Department's intent to modify the Conditions for CREC/CCCP. On March 17, 2025, notice of the Department's intent to modify the Conditions for CREC/CCCP was also published in the Florida Administrative Register (FAR). On March 14, 2025, a public notice was published in Citrus County Chronicle newspaper.

Pursuant to Section 403.516, F.S., and Rule 62-17.211, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), all parties to the certification proceeding have 45 days from the issuance of notice in which to file a written objection to the modification. Pursuant to Section 403.516, F.S., and Rule 62-17.211, F.A.C., any person who is not already a party to the certification proceeding and whose substantial interests will be affected by the requested modification has 30 days from the date of publication of the public notice in the FAR or newspaper to object in writing. Failure to act within the time frame constitutes a waiver of the right to become a party.

These timeframes have expired and no objections to the modification have been received by the Department. Therefore, the Conditions for CREC/CCCP are modified as described in the Department's Notice of Intent to Modify the Conditions of Certification dated March 14, 2025. The Notice of Intent can be viewed and downloaded from the following site: https://publicfiles.dep.state.fl.us/Siting/Outgoing/DEF_CREC/Modifications/ModV_SodiumExemptionRenewal/20250314DEF_CREC_ModV_NOI.pdf.

The final version of the modified Conditions can be viewed and downloaded from the following website: https://publicfiles.dep.state.fl.us/Siting/Outgoing/DEF_CREC/Modifications/ModV_SodiumExemptionRenewal/DEF_CREC_ModV_FinalConditions/.

Copies of the Conditions and/or attachments may also be obtained by contacting the Department of Environmental Protection, Siting Coordination Office, 2600 Blair Stone Road, M.S. 3500, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2400, (850) 717-9000.

Any party to this Order has a right to seek judicial review of it pursuant to Section 120.68, F.S. by filing a Notice of Appeal, pursuant to Rule 9.110, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure, with the Clerk of the Department of Environmental Protection in the Office of General Counsel, 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, M.S. 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 30 days from the date this Order is filed with the Clerk of the Department of Environmental Protection.

Sincerely,

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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.

Kaiden Miller Digitally signed by Kaiden Miller Date: 2025.05.13 16:04:42 -04'00'

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