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ANNUAL SYSTEM FUEL AND PURCHASED POWER (FPP) COSTS (Line 1)

FPP Costs include all purchased power; fuel consumed for plant generation, including but not limited to coal, fuel oil and natural gas; plus costs for certain re-agents used in conjunction with fuel consumed for plant generation; less costs associated with Power Marketing; and a sharing of Power Marketing Operating Income. The Annual System FPP Costs shall be calculated on an annual basis using the total of:

- a. Total fuel costs of the Company's generation for items listed in the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (FERC) Accounts: 501 for Fuel and 547 for Other Power Production, as well as any other costs of fuel consumed to generate electricity not listed in these two accounts. Other Power Production for FERC account 547 will also include the Cost of Service Gas Program as defined in the Cost of Service Gas Agreement. The base price for coal, included in this cost, is determined in accordance with the methodology set forth in the Statement R of the Company's 2006 rate application Docket No. EL06-019;
- b. The costs of re-agents necessary to use in conjunction with fuel consumed for plant generation. This includes lime and the associated freight, ammonia and other chemicals;
- c. The costs of all energy or short term capacity purchases listed under FERC account 555;
- d. Less, ninety percent (90%) of the share of margin generated by the sale of Renewable **Energy Credits**;
- e. Less, FPP used for Power Marketing Sales; and
- Less a share of Power Marketing Operating Income as described below.

POWER MARKETING OPERATING INCOME (PMOI)

As an incentive to provide the lowest cost FPP to customers, Power Marketing revenues and expenses will be included in the Fuel and Purchase Power Adjustment clause as follows:

- a. Power Marketing Sales revenues are defined as short-term (generally less than one year) energy or capacity sales to wholesale customers and sales of emission allowances.
- b. The Company's long-term (generally one year or longer) customer obligations will be served with the lowest cost resources during each hour that the Company engages in Power Marketing Sales except for the following: 1) Any renewable resource energy; and 2) Specific energy or capacity blocks, up to 75MW, purchased to cover capacity needs for 3 weeks or more [but not to exceed 6 months] in length. For these two situations, the cost of capacity or energy shall be directly assigned to the Company's long-term customers. Any remaining resources may be scheduled for, and if scheduled will be charged to, Power Marketing Sales as the costs of goods sold.

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