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MEMORANDUM

TO: Coastal Electric Board of Directors

CC: Chris Fettes, Luke Moses

FROM: Steven T. Minor, Moderator

DATE: May 1, 2023

RE: **Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act (PURPA) Report**

This Report is submitted pursuant to Rule 9(c) of Coastal Electric's Rules for Conducting Proceedings Required by the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 (as amended by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021) (the "PURPA Manual"). The PURPA Manual was adopted by Coastal Electric's Board to establish the procedures applicable to the Board's consideration of the PURPA standards, including the conduct of the public Hearing held on April 20, 2023.

On April 20, 2023, I presided as the Moderator of the PURPA hearing held at Coastal Electric's headquarters in Midway, Georgia. At just prior to 9:00 a.m., Coastal Electric staff opened its auditorium and reception area for registration of persons desiring to participate in the PURPA public hearing, convened for the purpose of collecting information to be used in the consideration by Coastal Electric's Board of Directors of the two "standards" set forth in 16 U.S.C.A. § 2625(d)(20) & (21). Coastal Electric representatives were present, including Coastal Electric's CEO, Chris Fettes, its PURPA Compliance Officer, Taylor Lee, its V.P. of Communications, Mark Bolton, and its employee Tara Rifenbark. Coastal Electric was represented at the hearing by Attorney Luke Moses.

At 10:05 a.m., the Hearing was formally convened. Ms. Lee was called as a witness, sworn in, and presented proof of notice of the Hearing. Her testimony clearly indicated that extensive and comprehensive efforts were made by Coastal Electric to provide notice of the PURPA proceedings by multiple means, and that notice was provided in compliance with the Act and the PURPA Manual. Ms. Lee also identified copies of the various forms of notice that were provided to Coastal Electric's members. She identified copies of each method of notice to the public, which were then designated Exhibit A, which I entered into the Hearing record. She

also identified a copy of the notice provided by mail to the U.S. Secretary of Energy, which was marked as Exhibit B and was also admitted into the Hearing record. Ms. Lee also testified that no one (other than Coastal Electric) had intervened in the Hearing to participate as a formal party of record in accordance with Rule 4 of the PURPA Manual, and that as of the time of her testimony, no one had requested to make a limited appearance in accordance with Rule 5. Ms. Lee testified that as Coastal Electric's PURPA Officer, she was familiar with the PURPA Manual, and she identified a copy of the PURPA Manual, which was marked as Exhibit C and admitted into evidence. Ms. Lee also testified that to the best of her knowledge, Coastal Electric had complied with all Rules set forth in the PURPA Manual.

I then called for formal parties desiring to enter testimony into the record of the Hearing. Mr. Moses announced that he was prepared to present testimony on behalf of Coastal Electric. Mr. Moses called Mr. Fettes, CEO of Coastal Electric, to the witness stand, and he was sworn in. Mr. Fettes testified that he had worked with Mr. Brent Saylor, a consulting engineer with GDS & Associates, to develop Coastal Electric's testimony with regard to the two relevant PURPA standards:

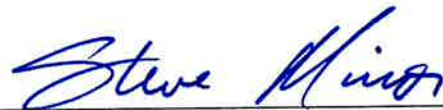
1. Demand-Response Practices, 16 U.S.C. § 2621(d)(20); and
2. Electric Vehicle Charging Programs, 16 U.S.C. § 2621(d)(21).

Mr. Saylor's testimony was identified by Mr. Fettes and admitted into the record without objection as Exhibit D.

Coastal Electric then called to the witness stand Ms. Rifembark, who had staffed the registration desk continuously since prior to 9:00 a.m. Ms. Rifembark was sworn in and testified that no one had signed up to participate in the Hearing. Blank registration sheets for both Formal Parties of Record and Limited Appearances were entered into the Hearing record as Exhibit E. At the conclusion of Ms. Rifembark's testimony, I asked if anyone present had any additional testimony or other evidence to enter into the record of the Hearing. There being none, the Hearing was concluded at approximately 10:19 a.m. The proceeding was taken down by certified court reporter, Ms. Shelly Caddell.

This concludes the Moderator's report.

Respectfully submitted, this 1st day of May, 2023.



STEVEN T. MINOR
Moderator