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Director
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Re:

Florida Power & Light Company

St. Lucie Nuclear Plant, Units 1 and 2

Docket Nos. 50-339, 50-389

Notice of Claim Pursuant to 10 CFR 140.6(a)

Pursuant to 10 CFR 140.6(a), this submittal provides written notice of a claim involving alleged bodily injury arising out of, or in connection with, the use of radioactive material at St. Lucie Units 1 and 2.

On February 7, 2003, Scott Finestone and Rebecca Finestone, on behalf of their son, Zachary Finestone, ("Plaintiffs") filed suit against Florida Power and Light Company ("FPL") in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida. In their complaint, the Plaintiffs claim that Zachary Finestone has been diagnosed with neuroblastoma, and that emissions of byproduct material from St. Lucie Units 1 and 2 was a proximate cause which substantially contributed to the development of the neuroblastoma.

FPL believes that the lawsuit is wholly without merit and will vigorously contest the allegations contained therein. FPL also notes that similar allegations have been previously investigated by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and by the Florida Department of Health and were found to be completely without merit.

Please contact Mitchell Ross, FPL legal counsel (561-691-7126) should you have any questions regarding this subject.

Sincerely yours,

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