

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

In the Matter of

DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA, LLC

(Levy Nuclear Plant, Units 1 and 2)

Docket No. 52-029-COL

Docket No. 52-030-COL

**ORDER**  
**(Transmitting Post-Hearing Question)**

The Commission held an evidentiary hearing on July 28, 2016, on the uncontested portion of the captioned proceeding. The NRC Staff should file a written response to the post-hearing question listed in the table below no later than August 11, 2016. The response should be filed as an exhibit, using the previously-established numbering scheme. The Staff should consult with Duke prior to filing its response and indicate whether there are any objections to admitting the new exhibit into the record. Absent objection, the new exhibit will be admitted. This order is issued pursuant to my authority under 10 C.F.R. § 2.346(a) and (j).

No.	Category	Reference(s)	Directed To	Question
1	Environmental	<p>(a) FEIS § 4.3.1.8</p> <p>(b) Staff response to Pre-hearing Question #55</p> <p>(c) Transcript at 127</p>	Staff	<p>In response to Pre-hearing Question 55 regarding the Environmental Protection Agency’s (EPA) comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS), the Staff noted that impacts to wetlands were EPA’s primary concern. EPA noted that there may be a need for “changes to the current site layout or application of mitigation measures that could reduce the environmental impacts.”</p> <p>The Staff stated that the NRC and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers worked with the EPA to identify further reductions of such wetland impacts and these have been incorporated into the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS). However, the Staff noted that the FEIS actually reported somewhat greater wetland impacts on the Levy Nuclear Plant (LNP) site (approximately 450 acres versus approximately 403 acres in the DEIS) but stated that this was reflective of the fact that the FEIS used more accurate wetland delineation data than was used for the DEIS.</p> <p>Section 4.3.1.8 of the FEIS states, “Although wetlands would be avoided to the extent possible, the proposed LNP project is estimated to affect approximately 668 ac of wetlands.” However, during the uncontested hearing, the Staff was asked to confirm that there was indeed a reduction in impact to wetlands realized from the work done between the DEIS and FEIS. In response the Staff stated that “the total wetland impacts from the draft to the final environment impact statement is actually 690 acres ....” Tr. at 127, lines 16-18.</p> <p>Please clarify for the record the extent of wetlands that are expected to be impacted by the proposed LNP project.</p>

IT IS SO ORDERED.

For the Commission

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Annette L. Vietti-Cook  
Secretary of the Commission

Dated at Rockville, Maryland,  
this 4<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2016

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing **ORDER (Transmitting Post-Hearing Question)** have been served upon the following persons by Electronic Information Exchange.

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