May **2022**

Rate Call

The average price of natural gas for the month was \$4.70. Daily natural gas prices have fluctuated in the \$5.90 - 7.80 range over the last month. If natural gas stays at the \$8.00 level, cost will be in the \$110-115 MWh range. The higher natural gas prices also drive the need for more cash to meet the sixty day cash requirements which contributes to increased MWh cost.

Natural gas accounted for 77% of the generation mix. Coal was 11% and nuclear was 6%. Solar generation was 2%.

The peak for the month was 8 March at 4PM.

Board of directors

The Board of Directors approved a change in the guidelines for chargeable member services. The hours of a chargeable project have been lowered to 80 hours from the previous 120 hours.

Information items covered an update on SolarProject III, 2021 member reliability update, Pooled Loan update, potential use of development funds to pay for costs involved with the ARP capacity increase project.

Executive Committee

The Executive Committee approved changes to the Stock Island fuel inventory policy during hurricane season and an increase in the spending authority related to the Stock Island fuel discharge to \$5 million. (A claim has been filed with the insurance carrier for \$3.5 million covering to date expenditures.)

Information items include Florida Gas Transmission contract rollover, ARP cost projections for the remainder of FY22, 2022 Load forecast and a Solar Project III update.

Policy Makers Liaison Committee

The PLMC meeting was an hour long presentation followed by Q&A with Michael Schellenberger, author of Apocalypse Never.

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