



Everglades Coalition

RESOLUTION

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Arthur R. Marshall Foundation
Audubon of Florida
Audubon Society of the Everglades
Broward County Audubon Society
Clean Water Action
Clean Water Network
Collier County Audubon Society
The Conservancy of Southwest
Florida
Defenders of Wildlife
Earthjustice
Everglades Law Center
The Environmental Coalition
Everglades Coordinating Council
Environment Florida
Florida Defenders of the
Environment
Florida Division of the Izaak
Walton League of America
Florida Keys Chapter of the Izaak
Walton League of America
Florida Keys Environmental Fund
Florida Native Plant Society
Florida Oceanographic Society
Florida Sierra Club
Florida Wildlife Federation
Friends of the Everglades
Izaak Walton League of America
Last Stand
League of Woman Voters of Florida
Loxahatchee River Coalition
Mangrove Chapter of the Izaak
Walton League of America
Martin County Conservation
Alliance
National Audubon Society
National Parks Conservation
Association
National Wildlife Federation
Natural Resources Defense Council
The Ocean Conservancy
The Pegasus Foundation
Sanibel-Captiva Conservation
Foundation
Save It Now, Glades!
Sierra Club
Sierra Club Broward Group
Sierra Club Loxahatchee Group
Sierra Club Miami Group
Tropical Audubon Society
The Urban Environment League
World Wildlife Fund

WHEREAS, the Florida Power & Light's (FPL) proposed Turkey Point expansion project would compromise land important to Everglades' restoration efforts including the Biscayne Bay Coastal Wetlands project and,

WHEREAS, FPL's proposed expansion calls for the destruction of more than 900 acres of sensitive coastal wetlands, 300 located within a "mangrove protection area" along Biscayne Bay and adjacent Biscayne National Park and,

WHEREAS, FPL's potential borrow pit areas for rock mining are east of the 1995 salt intrusion line at the base of the aquifer, and within recharge areas, and thus threatens to exacerbate saltwater intrusion into the surficial Biscayne aquifer, which provides drinking water to more than 3 million people in South Florida, and

WHEREAS, the wetlands that would be destroyed provide habitat for a variety of wading birds, including the federally endangered wood stork and roseate spoonbill and are used by Florida Panther, and,

WHEREAS, additional mining of the existing cooling canals threatens to increase the connectivity between the surrounding freshwater aquifer with the highly saline surface water within the canals, and

WHEREAS, complete information on the entire proposed project has not been provided.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Everglades Coalition recommends

1. that the Miami-Dade Executive Development Impact Committee not recommend approval of FPL's Unusual use zoning permit for the proposed nuclear power plant expansion and ancillary structures and equipment; excavation and filling of land; modification of cooling canal area.
2. that the Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners deny FPL's unusual use zoning permit for the proposed nuclear power plant expansion and ancillary structures and equipment; excavation and filling of land; modification of cooling canal area at Turkey Point.

BE IT SO RESOLVED, on October 31, 2007


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