POWER PLANT SITING ACT OVERVIEW

- FPL provides application to Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and regional agencies and local governments
- Administrative law judge is appointed to oversee process
- Alternate corridors may be proposed by any party, such as local governments, agencies or individuals
- Agencies and local governments review application
- Public provides input to local governments
  - Noticed informational meetings may be held by each local government
  - Regional Planning Council may hold public informational meeting if a local government does not host one
- Agencies and local governments send completed reports to DEP
- DEP combines all reports into a final project analysis that includes the recommendation of the governments and agencies and proposes conditions of certification
- Certification Hearing is held in Miami-Dade County where members of public may testify
  - FPL will put on evidence of why they chose their route
  - Alternate Corridor evidence presented
  - Cross examination of witnesses is allowed
- After Hearing, judge issues recommendation on application for approval, approval with conditions or denial
- Governor and Cabinet sitting as the Siting Board decide on project including, if approved, appropriate conditions