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RE: Proposed Advanced Reclaimed Water Project with Florida Power & Light

Dear Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners,

Florida Oceanographic Society supports the proposed advanced reclaimed water project in collaboration with Florida Power & Light Company. The proposed project at the Turkey Point energy generation complex will provide a way for Miami-Dade County to reclaim and utilize wastewater that is currently being disposed of through an ocean outfall at more than 100 million gallons a day. This project also has the potential to lessen the impacts to groundwater sources which is in the best interest of all who live in south Florida.

As we work to protect and preserve our coastal waters in Florida we encourage your consideration to move forward and explore this opportunity to partner with Florida Power & Light Company on this project. Water is our most valuable resource and should be reused and recycled whenever possible.

We appreciate your willingness to find innovative solutions to Florida's water issues. We are in support of this joint effort and we are glad to see the reclaiming of wastewater that will protect our ocean and coastal environment.

Sincerely,

Mark Perry
Executive Director

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