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FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20426

February 6, 2013

In Reply Refer To:
Cleo Power LLC
Docket Nos. ER12-1378-000
ER12-1379-000
(Consolidated)

Docket Nos. ER12-1378-002
ER12-1379-002

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Dear Mr. Stough:

1. On December 21, 2012, you filed a Settlement Agreement (Settlement) in Docket Nos. ER12-1378-000 and ER12-1379-000 on behalf of Cleco Power LLC (Cleco), Lafayette Utilities System, Louisiana Energy and Power Authority, and the City of Alexandria, Louisiana (collectively, the Settling Parties). On December 27, 2012, FERC Trial Staff filed initial comments not opposing the Settlement. On December 28, 2012, Cleco filed reply comments. On December 31, 2012 the Chief Administrative Law Judge certified the Settlement as uncontested.

2. The Settlement resolves all of the issues between the Settling Parties in the above captioned proceedings. The Commission finds that the Settlement appears to be fair, reasonable, and in the public interest, and it is hereby approved. Insofar as the revised tariff records proffered with the Settlement comply with Order No. 714, *Electronic Tariff Filings*, 124 FERC ¶ 61,270 (2008), they are accepted and approved. Commission approval of the Settlement does not constitute approval of, or precedent regarding, any principle or issue in this proceeding.

3. Cleco will make refunds as provided in the Settlement. Cleco will file with the Commission a refund report within fifteen (15) days following the date on which Cleco completed providing the refunds, as stipulated in the Settlement.

4. This letter order terminates¹ Docket Nos. ER12-1378-000, ER12-1378-002, ER12-1379-000, and ER12-1379-002. A new docket or sub-docket (s) will be assigned upon receipt of the compliance refund report.

By direction of the Commission.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

cc: All Parties

¹ Article IX of the Settlement also provides that the complaint in Docket No. EL12-61-000 shall be withdrawn within 15 days after the date the Settlement becomes effective pursuant to a Final Order of the Commission, as defined in the Settlement.