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MEMORANDUM

TO: Okefenoke Rural EMC Board of Directors

CC: John Middleton, Ernie Thomas, Kimi Harris, Dan Smith, Esq.

FROM: Steven T. Minor, Moderator

DATE: July 13, 2009

RE: **PURPA Report**

This Report is submitted pursuant to Rule 9(c) of Okefenoke Rural EMC's Rules for Conducting Proceedings Required by the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 (as amended by the Electricity Modernization Act of 2005 and the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007).

On July 1, 2009, I presided as the Moderator of the PURPA hearing held at Okefenoke Rural EMC's headquarters in Nahunta, Georgia. At 8:00 a.m., the hearing was convened for the purpose of permitting persons to sign up to participate. Okefenoke Rural EMC representatives were present, including Okefenoke Rural EMC's PURPA Compliance Officer, Ernie Thomas, and Okefenoke Rural EMC employee Kimi Harris. Okefenoke Rural EMC was represented at the hearing by Dan Smith, Esquire.

At 9:00 a.m., the Hearing was formally convened. Ms. Harris was called as a witness, sworn in, and presented proof of notice of the Hearing. Her testimony clearly indicated that appropriate and comprehensive notice was given by multiple means, and that such notice was provided in compliance with the Act and the Hearing Rules. Mr. Thomas was then called and sworn in, and testified that no one sought to intervene as a "formal party" in the Hearing.

I then asked for a copy of the sign in registry which had been present at the meeting since prior to 8:00 a.m. The registry for formal parties listed only Ernie Thomas (to testify on behalf of the staff of Okefenoke Rural EMC), and no person or entity had signed up on the registry for those seeking to make a "limited appearance" pursuant to Rule 5. Nonetheless, I asked whether there was anyone present who desired to make a statement for the Hearing record. No one requested this opportunity.

I then called for formal parties desiring to enter testimony into the record of the Hearing. Mr. Smith announced that he was prepared to present testimony on behalf of the staff of Okefenoke Rural EMC. Mr. Smith called Mr. Thomas to the witness stand, and reminded him

that he remained under oath. Mr. Thomas then presented testimony he had developed with expert consultants that addressed the four relevant PURPA standards:

1. Integrated Resource Planning (see 16 U.S.C. § 2621(d)(16));
2. Rate Design Modification to Promote Energy Efficiency Investments (see 16 U.S.C. § 2621(d)(17));
3. Smart Grid Investments (see 16 U.S.C. § 2621(d)(18));
4. Smart Grid Information (see 16 U.S.C. § 2621(d)(19).

Mr. Thomas's testimony was admitted into the record without objection.

Okefenoke Rural EMC then called to the witness stand Ms. Harris, who had staffed the registration desk continuously since prior to 8:00 a.m. Ms. Harris testified that no one had signed up to participate, other than Mr. Thomas (on behalf of Okefenoke Rural EMC), and the registration sheets were entered into the Hearing record as an Exhibit. At the conclusion of Ms. Harris's testimony, I asked if anyone present had any additional testimony or other evidence to put in the record of the Hearing. There being none, the Hearing was concluded at approximately 9:20 a.m. The proceeding was taken down by a court reporter.

This concludes the Moderator's report.

Respectfully submitted this ____ day of _____, 2009.

STEVEN T. MINOR
Moderator