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RE: Emergency Petition and Complaint of the District of Columbia Public Service Commission (OE Docket No. EO-06-01)

Dear Mr. Beverly and Ms. Hollis:

We have received the Petition and Complaint that you filed with the Department of Energy (DOE) and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) on August 24, 2005, on behalf of the District of Columbia Public Service Commission. The Petition requests DOE to provide emergency relief under section 202(c) of the Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 824(a), to require continued operation of the Mirant Power Plant. DOE, in consultation with other Federal agencies, is examining this matter expeditiously to determine the facts necessary to render an appropriate decision.

Because of the serious nature of the potential threat to electric service reliability asserted in the Petition, we are devoting considerable attention to and carefully evaluating this complex situation. The Petitioner's cooperation is essential. We are currently collecting relevant information and may seek your assistance with this effort.

As required by our regulations, you must provide copies of your Petition to the specified entities and organizations identified in 10 C.F.R. 205.372. Please provide us a list of all entities and organizations already serviced. If you have any questions you may contact Bruce Diamond at 202-586-6946.



Sincerely,

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