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Progress Energy Florida Settlement

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Background

- Crystal River 3 (CR3)
 - ◆ Three-phase PSC prudence review
 - Phase 1: Original steam generator replacement plan through October 2009 delamination
 - Phase 2: Future decision to repair or retire
 - Phase 3: Actions to repair 2009 delamination through final disposition of plant
 - ◆ Fuel and purchased power recovery in annual fuel cases
 - Replacement power net of NEIL payments being recovered subject to refund
- Levy Nuclear Project
 - ◆ Current project costs ~ \$1.1 billion
 - ◆ \$545 million recovered through the nuclear recovery clause as of year-end 2011
 - ◆ ~ \$350 million balance projected at year-end 2012
 - ◆ Florida Public Service Commission (PSC) project feasibility and clause recovery review in 2012
- 2012 Base Rate Case
 - ◆ Current settlement expires 12/31/12
 - ◆ Current ROE of 10.5% plus or minus 100 basis points, with provision for non-cash earnings

Complex issues and overlapping regulatory proceedings

Key Settlement Terms

- Crystal River Unit 3 (CR3)
 - ♦ Retains flexibility on decision to repair or retire unit
 - ♦ Resolves prudence issues from steam generator replacement project inception through the date Commission approves settlement
 - ♦ Resolves CR3 replacement fuel and purchased power issues/costs from 2009 to 2016
 - Progress Energy Florida (PEF) to refund \$288 million to customers through the fuel clause in 2013 - 2016
 - Intervenors waive challenge of replacement fuel and purchased power costs through 2016
 - Intervenors reserve right to challenge fuel and purchased power decision-making
 - Allocates limited purchased power risk for 2015 and 2016 depending on repair/retirement option and repair start date
 - ♦ Allocates risk on repair costs based on timing of NEIL coverage resolution and Company's decision to repair or retire
 - ♦ Provides for an ongoing consultation process with the Intervenors on the repair/retire and other key decisions

Key Settlement Terms (continued)

- Levy Nuclear Project
 - ◆ Full recovery of all retail project costs, including combined operating license (COL) costs and engineering, procurement & construction (EPC) contract cancellation costs, if the Company ultimately chooses to cancel that contract
 - ◆ Uncollected balance (~ \$350 million projected at year-end 2012) to be recovered in the nuclear cost recovery clause over five years (2013-2017)
 - ◆ Preserves potential future benefits of new nuclear generation in Florida
 - ◆ Current wholesale portion (~ \$100 million) to be amortized by 2016 as a retail regulatory asset
- Base Rate Case
 - ◆ Four-year term (2013 – 2016)
 - ◆ Revenue requirement increase (\$150 million)
 - ◆ ROE @ 10.5% plus or minus 100 basis points (increase to 10.7% upon CR3 return to service)
 - ◆ CR3 removed from rate base, effective 2013; will accrue a return, with automatic revenue increase, when returned to service
 - ◆ Retains cost of removal flexibility throughout term

Crystal River Unit 3 – Repair Option

- The Company will establish an estimated cost and schedule to repair CR3 and consult with the Intervenor
- The Company's approved project budget will be the basis for project measurement
- Risk sharing on budget overruns – 50/50 on first \$400 million in overruns above the Company's approved budget
- If repairs are started prior to 12/31/12:
 - ◆ Limited challenge rights to recovery of repair implementation costs incurred prior to final resolution of NEIL coverage
 - ◆ No challenge to replacement power costs through 2016
 - ◆ Intervenor agree to discuss treatment of potential gap between NEIL repair coverage and project budget; if no agreement then submission to PSC for decision
- If repairs do not begin prior to 12/31/12:
 - ◆ Intervenor reserve rights to challenge the prudence of the repair decision, plan and implementation
 - ◆ The Company agrees to refund replacement power costs (pro rata based on in-service date) up to \$40 million in 2015 and up to \$60 million in 2016
- Upon CR3's return to service, Progress Energy Florida's retail ROE will increase from 10.5% to 10.7%, and customer rates will increase

Crystal River Unit 3 – Retirement Option

- Company retains sole discretion and flexibility to retire unit, without challenge from the Intervenors
- Allowed to recover all remaining CR3 investments
- Allowed to earn a return on the CR3 assets = 70% of the PSC-authorized ROE, plus debt costs
- Any NEIL proceeds received after the settlement will be applied to replacement fuel and then to write down the asset

Financial Implications

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| Net Income | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Base rate increase of \$150M in 2013• Certainty over return on equity (ROE) through 2016• CR3 depreciation suspended and return accrued• Certain ongoing expense accruals suspended• Cost of Removal flexibility• One-time income statement charge for Progress in 2011 (~.59¢ per share) |
| Cash Flow | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• \$150M cash impact of base rate increase in 2013• \$288M replacement power refund spread over 2013-2016• Remaining Levy Nuclear Project costs recovered over five years including contract cancellation costs |
| Credit Implications | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Settlement is neutral to cash flow metrics in near term• Improved risk profile |
| Customer Bill Impacts | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Base rate increase to residential customers is mostly offset by replacement power refund and nuclear clause changes |
| Risk Profile | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• With negotiated sharing, Intervenors have agreed not to challenge replacement fuel & purchased power costs estimated at approximately \$1.9B over 2009-2016• Clear risk allocation parameters in place for decision to repair or retire CR3 |

NEIL Considerations

- NEIL insurance coverage
 - ◆ \$2.25 billion repair costs per accident
 - ◆ \$490 million replacement power costs per accident
 - \$4.5 million/week for first 52 weeks
 - \$3.6 million/week for next 71 weeks
 - ◆ NEIL payments to date
 - \$162 million replacement power
 - \$136 million repairs
 - \$298 million

Conclusion

- Achieves a reasonable financial outcome for base rates through 2016
- Achieves a positive outcome for the Levy Nuclear Project, while preserving potential future benefits of new nuclear generation in Florida
- Resolves key prudence issues around CR3
- Preserves Company discretion to repair CR3 based on facts and circumstances



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