IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT ALACHUA COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO.: 01-2012-CA-001346

DIVISION: J

GAINESVILLE CITIZENS CARE, INC.,

Plaintiff,

vs.

CITY OF GAINESVILLE d/b/a GAINESVILLE REGIONAL UTILITIES,

Defendant,

and

GAINESVILLE RENEWABLE ENERGY CENTER, LLC,

Intervenor.

DEPOSITION OF: EDWARD J. REGAN, JR., P.E.

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- 1 P-R-O-C-E-E-D-I-N-G-S
- THE COURT REPORTER: So, Mr. Regan, if you'd please
- 3 raise your right hand to be sworn.
- 4 Do you swear that the testimony you're about to give
- is the whole truth and nothing but the truth, so help you
- 6 God?
- 7 THE WITNESS: I do.
- THE COURT REPORTER: Thank you.
- 9 MS. WARATUKE: Can we just on the record, then, put
- an agreement that she can use the pen for -- the tape for
- her own personal notes, but, obviously, the court
- 12 reporter's will be the official record --
- MS. BEATY: Okay.
- MS. WARATUKE: -- and it won't be released for any
- other purpose.
- Thanks.
- 17 MS. BEATY: Thank you. I appreciate it.
- 18 THEREUPON:
- 19 EDWARD J. REGAN, JR., P.E.,
- 20 was called as a witness and, having been first duly sworn,
- 21 was examined and testified as follows:
- 22 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 23 BY MS. LaHART:
- Q. Good afternoon. I introduced myself before we went
- on the record. I'm Marcy LaHart. I represent Gainesville

- 1 Citizens Care.
- Would you state your name for the record?
- 3 A. My name is Edward J. Regan, Jr.
- 4 Q. Mr. Regan, what is your current address?
- 5 A. 10003 Southwest 67th Drive, Gainesville, Florida
- 6 32608.
- 7 Q. How long have you lived in Gainesville?
- 8 A. Well, I came here for college in 1970.
- 9 Q. And you've lived here ever since?
- 10 A. Yep.
- 11 Q. You're a lucky man. I had to move away for 20 years
- 12 before I got to come back.
- What did you study at the University of Florida?
- 14 A. My first degree was in behavioral psychology.
- 15 Q. And then your next degree?
- 16 A. Was environmental sciences and engineering.
- 17 O. Were those both bachelors?
- 18 A. The first one was a Bachelor's of Science. The
- 19 second one was a Master's of Science.
- Q. Did you go on to get a Ph.D.?
- 21 A. No.
- Q. When did you graduate?
- 23 A. 1977.
- Q. That was with your master's?
- 25 A. Correct.

- 1 Q. What did you do after you graduated?
- 2 A. Careerwise?
- 3 O. Yes.
- 4 A. I went to work for the North Central Florida
- 5 Regional Planning Council, and I was the environmental
- 6 planner for an 11-county area.
- 7 Q. How long did you hold that position?
- 8 A. Until I took a position with Gainesville Regional
- 9 Utilities, which was in November of 1979.
- 10 Q. What was your first position with GRU?
- 11 A. My job was to set up all of the energy conservation
- 12 programs and train people to implement them. My title was
- 13 technical energy management coordinator.
- 14 Q. Technical energy management coordinator?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. That sounds very important.
- 17 A. A mouth full.
- 18 Q. How long were you in that position?
- 19 A. Oh, I think it was until '81 or '82. I'm not
- 20 exactly sure when I was secunded into the planning
- 21 department, what they called system planning department of
- 22 Gainesville Regional Utilities.
- Q. What did you do in the planning department? What
- 24 was your title, if you recall?
- 25 A. I was a utility analyst II.

- 1 Q. What were your duties as a utility analyst II?
- 2 A. There was an activity going on called integrative
- 3 resource planning, and so I was supporting that and also a
- 4 lot of the planning and design work for conservation
- 5 programs, energy conservation programs.
- 6 Q. What's integrated resource planning?
- 7 A. It's a -- I guess it's a term of art in the power
- 8 supply world where to meet your customers' energy needs,
- 9 which are heating, cooling, lighting, comfort, entertainment,
- 10 you look at all possible resources, including supply-side
- 11 generation and demand side, which would be energy
- 12 conservation programs or what they call demand response
- 13 programs like load management.
- Q. How long were you in that position?
- 15 A. Well, I was in the planning department until --
- 16 well, I've been in the planning department ever since, so my
- 17 position evolved into I became a senior utility engineer.
- 18 During that period I got my P.E., professional engineer
- 19 registration.
- 20 Q. Uh-huh.
- 21 A. And then I was put over the water and wastewater
- 22 facilities planning probably '84, '85. I don't remember
- 23 exactly.
- So did that for awhile, and then in '89, I became
- 25 the interim strategic planning director. By then it was

- 1 called the strategic planning department, and I think in 1990
- 2 I became the full-time strategic planning director, which
- 3 eventually evolved into the assistant general manager for
- 4 strategic planning because of the changing roles and
- 5 responsibilities.
- Q. Was the assistant general manager position the last
- 7 position that you held at GRU?
- 8 A. It was, yes.
- 9 Q. You are no longer employed by GRU, correct?
- 10 A. I do have a contract with them.
- 11 O. But you are retired?
- 12 A. I'm retired, yes.
- 13 Q. When did you retire?
- 14 A. February, end of February 19 -- 2012.
- 15 O. Congratulations.
- 16 A. Thank you.
- 17 Q. Tell me about the contract that you have with the
- 18 City.
- 19 A. It's an as-needed basis. Whenever the general
- 20 manager would like my services, we have an agreed upon rate
- 21 schedule, and I provide the services requested.
- Q. What sorts of services have you provided since you
- 23 have entered into that contract?
- 24 A. I participated with staff in developing power
- 25 proposals, power supply proposals.

- 1 O. Tell me a little more about that.
- 2 A. Gainesville Regional Utilities, it's an activity
- 3 I've been engaged in for Gainesville Regional Utilities for
- 4 years and years, since 1990, so it's a question of looking at
- 5 what the potential off-taker might need, what their supply
- 6 portfolio is, what their loads are and their demands.
- 7 Q. By off-taker do you mean a potential GRU customer?
- 8 A. This would be a wholesale power customer and looking
- 9 at the resources that Gainesville Regional Utilities has to
- 10 offer and try to structure something that would be
- 11 competitive, usually competitive proposals.
- 12 Q. Have you been trying to find purchasers for power
- that will be generated from the biomass plant?
- 14 A. I'll definitely have my ear to the ground on that
- 15 one. What -- that's one of the resources that we were trying
- 16 to market.
- 17 Q. You were actually doing that for the City before you
- 18 left, weren't you?
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. Have you had any success?
- 21 A. Over the years, yes. Because there's two parts to
- 22 that. There's buying and selling. So, for example, --
- 23 Q. I guess my question is, have you had any success in
- 24 arranging a purchaser for the power to be generated by the
- 25 biomass plant?

- 1 A. No.
- Q. Why do you think that is?
- 3 A. Because of the unprecedented downturn in the gas
- 4 markets and the falling off of loads throughout the state.
- 5 THE COURT REPORTER: Of?
- 6 THE WITNESS: Of falling off of loads or reduction
- 7 in demand for electricity in Florida and the southeast.
- 8 BY MS. LaHART:
- 9 Q. When you say the downturn in gas prices, is
- 10 essentially the problem that, because of the downturn in gas
- 11 prices, the biomass is no longer competitive, the fuel
- 12 created by the biomass plant is not competitive?
- 13 A. When you say fuel, do you mean electricity?
- 14 Q. Yes. That's what I mean. I'm sorry.
- 15 A. Actually, the -- this could be a very complicated
- 16 discussion, so let me break this apart.
- 17 There's a variable operating cost with the plant,
- 18 which is very competitive, and then there's a fixed
- 19 component, or it's not the fuel component of it.
- 20 So in the wholesale power market, you're not
- 21 necessarily trying to market the full price. So what has
- 22 happened is that, with the falling off of gas prices, you
- 23 can't get the whole, the full -- nobody can sell wholesale
- 24 power, full wholesale power price. Well, not nobody, but
- 25 it's very difficult to do so.

- 1 Q. Okay. How much time do you devote to marketing
- 2 electricity that will be generated by the biomass plant?
- 3 A. For the last six months, probably none.
- 4 Q. How about since you have left GRU?
- 5 A. Oh, in the first few months when I had a contract
- 6 with them, I put a fair amount of time into some structured
- 7 power proposals.
- 8 Since then Bob has apparently delegated that to
- 9 other people in his staff and is using me less and less.
- 10 Q. Do you have a cell phone that's paid for by GRU?
- 11 A. No.
- 12 Q. Do you still have a GRU e-mail account?
- 13 A. I do.
- Q. Are you being paid for your work on this case?
- 15 A. No.
- 16 Is that allowed?
- 17 MR. McDERMOTT: Only in South Florida.
- 18 Q. It depends on which jurisdiction you are in,
- 19 Mr. Regan. That is a safe answer to any legal question.
- 20 All right. I lost my train of thought. Where were
- 21 we?
- When you worked for GRU, did you have a cell phone
- 23 that was paid for by GRU?
- 24 A. Yes.
- Q. Do you recall what that number was?

- 1 A. 352-538-4301.
- 2 0. 538-4301?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. Do you know who the carrier was?
- 5 A. Verizon. And when I left GRU, I arranged to keep
- 6 that number because of number portability, and Verizon is
- 7 still my carrier.
- 8 Q. But GRU doesn't pay the bill for you anymore?
- 9 A. No.
- 10 Q. You didn't want a clean break with a new cell phone
- 11 number?
- 12 A. At the time I felt that I know many, many people in
- the state and the country, and I wanted to not be changing my
- 14 phone number.
- 15 O. I understand.
- 16 Mr. Regan, something I have learned since my
- involvement in this matter is that, between May of 2008 when
- 18 the city commission accepted the RFB -- RFP from Nacogdoches
- 19 -- am I saying that right?
- 20 A. Nacogdoches.
- 21 Q. Nacogdoches, and approximately a year later when the
- 22 Power Purchase Agreement was approved by the City of
- 23 Gainesville, there was a series of meetings that took place
- 24 between GRU employees and agents and representatives from
- 25 first Nacogdoches and then GREC.

- 1 A. Right.
- Q. Did you attend those meetings?
- A. Yes, many of them. I don't know if I went to all of
- 4 them.
- 5 Q. From what I can gather by all the e-mails that I
- 6 have gone through, you were a pretty key player on the team;
- 7 were you not?
- 8 A. Well, my job was as assistant general manager for
- 9 strategic planning. Many of the -- well, some of the subject
- 10 matter experts worked for me, and I was pretty familiar with
- 11 most of the other subject matter experts and pretty familiar
- 12 with the power industry in general.
- 13 Q. Which of the subject matter experts worked for you?
- 14 A. Rick Bachmeier. Initially Yolanta Jonynas, Rob
- 15 Klemans.
- 16 THE COURT REPORTER: Pardon me? I didn't understand
- 17 that second name. Initially --
- THE WITNESS: Yolanta Jonynas.
- 19 MS. WARATUKE: Can you spell it?
- THE WITNESS: J-o-n-y-l-a-n-t-a -- oh, boy,
- J-o-n-a-s-n-a-s (sic).
- 22 Yolanta Jonynas. It's a Latvian name.
- 23 BY MS. LaHART:
- Q. Okay. Rick Bachmeier, Yolanta Jonynas?
- 25 A. Yeah.

- 1 O. Who else?
- 2 A. Rob Klemans, Heidi Lannon.
- 3 Some of these people changed during that time
- 4 period. Diane Wilson, Roger Westphal. That's it.
- 5 Q. Okay. Did Jim Stanton or, I'm sorry, John Stanton
- 6 work for you?
- 7 A. No. He was my peer.
- 8 Q. I'm going to hand you, I only have one copy of it,
- 9 but it's an e-mail from Jonathan Cole to Ms. Waratuke. The
- 10 subject is GRU meeting with Jonathan Cole. It's dated
- 11 Monday, October 29, 2012, and it's a list of meeting dates
- 12 and locations and conference calls.
- 13 Can you look at that?
- 14 Apparently, Mr. Cole went through his calendar and
- 15 perhaps his invoices, and these are the meeting times and
- 16 locations that he came up with at which the Power Purchase
- 17 Agreement was negotiated. Does that seem about right to you?
- 18 A. Well, there were meetings in 2008 and 2009. I can't
- 19 confirm the dates and the times.
- 20 Q. Can you confirm the locations?
- 21 A. Well, let's see, there's one in Boston.
- 22 A meeting in New York.
- Q. Did you go to New York?
- 24 A. You know, we -- several times for bond rating agency
- 25 kinds of business, but I don't remember if Jonathan Cole was

- 1 with us in New York or not.
- Q. Okay. Fair enough.
- This indicates that there was a September 8th and
- 4 9th -- that September 8th and 9th there were all-day meetings
- 5 in Boston. Did you attend that meeting?
- 6 A. September 8th and 9th.
- 7 O. That was of 2008.
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Okay. Approximately how many meetings were held at
- 10 which the two parties sat down to negotiate the details of
- 11 the contract?
- 12 A. May I look at your list?
- 13 Q. You may.
- MS. WARATUKE: Just for clarification, are we
- talking about calls or physical face-to-face meetings?
- MS. LaHART: Physical face-to-face meetings.
- MS. WARATUKE: Okay.
- 18 BY THE WITNESS:
- 19 A. That would suggest there was maybe seven.
- 20 Q. Does that seem about right to you?
- 21 A. Seems about right.
- 22 Q. Tell me what happened at those meetings.
- MS. WARATUKE: I'm going to object to the form of
- the question.
- MS. LaHART: Okay. You can go ahead and answer the

- 1 question.
- MS. WARATUKE: Yeah. I mean, you can answer it. I
- 3 object to the form of the question, but you can go ahead
- 4 and answer if you can.
- 5 THE WITNESS: What does that mean, the form?
- 6 MS. WARATUKE: Go ahead and answer.
- 7 THE WITNESS: It's too broad?
- 8 BY MS. LaHART:
- 9 Q. It means she doesn't like my question, but you have
- 10 to answer it anyway.
- 11 A. Usually we would have set an agenda, and we would
- 12 work through the agenda, and at Gainesville Regional
- 13 Utilities we use a technique that's called interspace
- 14 bargaining where you're not so much putting out positions as
- 15 you are explaining, let's say, it was an added schedule
- issue, explaining, you know, "Well, here's what I'm worried
- about, and then the other side would say, "Here's what we're
- 18 worried about."
- 19 So everybody would explore the issues, and that's
- 20 what would happen. We would talk about everything and try to
- 21 work up solutions that make sense to everybody.
- Q. Did those meetings result in recommendations that
- 23 were later communicated to the city commission?
- 24 A. Yes.
- Q. How were those recommendations communicated to the

- 1 City?
- Was that done in a public forum, or was it done in
- 3 one-on-one meetings with the commissioners?
- 4 A. Well, that was the general manager's job, and --
- 5 Q. It was the general manager's job to communicate the
- 6 recommendations to the city commission?
- 7 A. Yes. They were his recommendations. It was the
- 8 recommendations were conveyed both ways, personal
- 9 conversations, and I remember there was a lot of discussion
- 10 related to fuel supply that I believe was actually addressed
- 11 in public meetings.
- 12 Q. Did you ever meet one-on-one with any of the
- 13 commissioners?
- 14 A. Me by myself?
- 15 Q. No. I meant did you ever attend a meeting at which
- 16 there was only one commissioner?
- 17 A. Yes. Sometimes Bob would have me come along as, you
- 18 know, in case he needed to ask questions or get some more
- 19 details than he had.
- Q. Which commissioners do you recall meeting with Bob?
- 21 A. Boy, over the years we worked together, I probably
- 22 met with every commissioner on a wide range of issues besides
- 23 just GREC.
- Q. Okay. I'm only asking about the Power Purchase
- 25 Agreement and meetings that you had with commissioners

- 1 regarding the Power Purchase Agreement. Which ones do you
- 2 recall meeting with?
- A. Over the course of the negotiation and then coming
- 4 in with the contract for ratification, I probably met with
- 5 Bob with every one of the commissioners.
- 6 Q. Give me a time frame when that happened,
- 7 approximately.
- 8 Was that more towards the end of the negotiations
- 9 when you were getting ready to make a recommendation to the
- 10 city commission?
- 11 Excuse me, when Bob was getting ready to make a
- 12 recommendation to the city commission.
- 13 A. Boy, I really couldn't tell you because there was
- 14 just so much else going on at GRU. There's always meetings
- 15 going on.
- 16 Q. Fair enough.
- 17 A. I can't remember a meeting where you went and it was
- 18 just one topic.
- 19 Q. "I don't remember" is a perfectly valid answer to a
- 20 deposition question. I tell my witnesses that when I'm
- 21 preparing them for deposition all the time.
- Mr. Regan, I have in my hot little hands several
- 23 e-mails that you either wrote or received.
- MS. WARATUKE: Thank you.
- MS. LaHART: Can you share with Mr. Dee so I can let

- 1 the witness have a set?
- 2 MS. WARATUKE: I can probably look off the witness's
- 3 set --
- 4 MS. LaHART: Okay.
- 5 MS. WARATUKE: -- with the witness, if you don't
- 6 mind.
- 7 BY MS. LaHART:
- 8 Q. Mr. Regan, some of these documents I'm going to ask
- 9 you to maybe answer some questions that I have about them,
- 10 and some of them I'm just going to ask you to confirm that
- it's an e-mail that you sent or received. The reason that
- 12 I'm doing that is that I'm authenticating the document for
- 13 the record so I can defeat Mr. McDermott's motion for summary
- 14 judgment.
- MR. McDERMOTT: Will you start with 22 just so we
- can keep them in sequence? Does that work for you?
- 17 MS. LaHART: Sure.
- 18 MR. McDERMOTT: Okay. Thanks.
- 19 (Thereupon, Plaintiff's Exhibit 22 was marked for
- 20 Identification.)
- 21 BY MS. LaHART:
- Q. The first one is an e-mail from you dated -- well,
- 23 it looks to me like it's an e-mail from you dated Monday, May
- 24 19, 2008.
- 25 Could you identify this? When I say this, we'll

- 1 refer to it as Exhibit 22.
- A. Well, what I have before me looks like a copy of an
- 3 e-mail that I sent on the date you see it.
- 4 Q. Okay. Can you tell me who Dave Beaulieu is?
- 5 A. Dave Beaulieu?
- 6 O. Beaulieu.
- 7 A. Yeah.
- 8 Q. Is that how you say that?
- 9 A. Yeah. It's a French word.
- 10 He's the assistant general manager responsible for
- 11 energy delivery, which also includes metering, transmission,
- 12 substations.
- 13 Q. Okay. If you'll turn to the next page of that
- 14 Exhibit 22.
- 15 A. My document doesn't say Exhibit 22.
- MS. WARATUKE: Well, we're marking it as Exhibit 22.
- 17 BY MS. LaHART:
- 18 Q. Just going to have to take my word for it,
- 19 Mr. Regan.
- 20 A. So are we talking about the next page of the
- 21 May 19th one?
- 22 O. Yes.
- A. Okay. Okay.
- Q. It appears to be another message from you to
- 25 Mr. Hunzinger with lots of folks copied on it. It's an

- 1 e-mail --
- 2 A. Okay.
- Q. -- that says, "Hey Everyone! Bob and I developed
- 4 this overall approach for subject matter experts we need to
- 5 have involved in the Nacogdoches negotiations. We are
- 6 interested in your reaction or suggestions."
- 7 And it identifies you and Mr. Stanton as the project
- 8 managers. It says that Mr. Manasco will interface with
- 9 Orrick on some topics.
- 10 Under Forest Stewardship Standards, it says, "Ad Hoc
- 11 Committee."
- 12 Can you tell me what you meant by that?
- 13 A. Joe Wolf is the GRU -- was the -- well, he still is
- 14 a GRU forester who was assigned to work with me on the fuel
- 15 supply part of this project because of his training as a
- 16 forester, but we also -- he knew a number of professionals in
- 17 the forestry industry and also concerned and environmental
- 18 people that he thought we should ask questions of and have
- 19 discussions with and to gather information to better inform
- 20 the overall process.
- 0. Was there an ad hoc technical committee created?
- 22 A. Yeah.
- Q. Do you know who was on that?
- 24 A. I know a few --
- 25 Q. I realize --

- 1 A. I know a few names, and I also know the companies
- 2 they are with. Do you want me to share with you what I can
- 3 remember about that?
- 4 Q. Sure.
- 5 A. There was a fellow named Josh Dickinson who was very
- 6 active in forming -- well, actually, he's -- I guess he was
- 7 chairman of the board of something called the Forest -- the
- 8 Forest Stewardship Council.
- 9 There was a guy named Bob Simons who is a landowner
- 10 and forestry, a grower, a tree grower, also very involved in
- 11 all kinds of environmental issues that I don't even -- back
- 12 from my North Central Florida days as an environmental
- 13 activist who was very concerned about being sure that
- 14 whatever happens is sustainable.
- There was a guy named Tony Wallace who is in this
- 16 business, forestry. There was a fellow from Plum Creek, who,
- 17 obviously, is a big grower. I can't remember his name.
- Now, Joe was the one who held the meetings and spent
- 19 most of the time talking to those individuals, so I don't
- 20 remember more than that at this time.
- Q. Okay. And are forest stewardship standards part of
- 22 the Power Purchase Agreement?
- 23 A. They are.
- Q. Were there any recommendations that came out of this
- 25 ad hoc technical committee that were passed onto the city

- 1 commission?
- 2 A. Joe and I worked up, I guess you would call them,
- 3 white papers.
- 4 O. Uh-huh.
- 5 A. And passed that around, you know, to people at GREC,
- 6 and then we would give them to Bob and say here's what we
- 7 think would make sense, and then, you know, we'd show up at
- 8 regional utility committee meetings, you know, where Bob was
- 9 there, and then he would introduce us and have us present the
- 10 white papers, so they're, basically, his recommendations to
- 11 that subcommittee of the city commission, who then in turn
- 12 make a recommendation to the full commission, and the RUC
- 13 meetings were public meetings, publicly noticed and
- 14 everything else.
- 15 Q. Did you ever have any conversations about publicly
- 16 noticing the negotiations with Nacogdoches?
- 17 A. No. They weren't public meetings.
- 18 Q. You say, "They weren't public meetings." How do you
- 19 know that?
- 20 A. Because --
- 21 Q. And just because you didn't notice them, that means
- 22 they're not public?
- A. No. It's because we were performing tasks in the
- 24 process of developing a PPA for Bob. We -- you know, he was
- 25 going to be the one that made the recommendations to the city

- 1 commission.
- 2 And I am familiar with public law in this area
- 3 because of having been involved with thinking about how to
- 4 set up the radio management advisory committee, which is a
- 5 publicly noticed entity.
- 6 You look like you don't know what I'm talking about.
- 7 O. I don't have a clue.
- 8 A. One of the things that was under my purview was
- 9 something called GRUCom, telecommunications. One of the
- 10 services that GRUCom provides to the community is public
- 11 safety radio, which is what police and firemen use,
- 12 ambulances use public safety radio, and because all of the
- 13 agencies in the county participate in that system and so
- 14 there are decisions that need to be made, we formed something
- 15 called a radio management board, and that board is a publicly
- 16 noticed entity. So, you know, in the process of creating
- 17 that, I became fairly familiar with Florida law.
- 18 But that board had sort of autonomy of its own to
- 19 make recommendations to elected officials, which is why it
- 20 was set up that way.
- 21 MS. LaHART: Could we go to the next document in the
- 22 stack that we'll mark Exhibit 23?
- 23 (Thereupon, Plaintiff's Exhibit 23 was marked for
- 24 Identification.)
- 25 BY MS. LaHART:

- 1 Q. Can you identify that for the record?
- A. Well, it's an e-mail with your name on it, but from
- 3 me to Richard Bachmeier copying Sontag. Let's see, what's
- 4 the date? August 15th.
- 5 MS. WARATUKE: What's the date? 8. Okay.
- 6 THE WITNESS: Trying to see what this is about.
- 7 BY MS. LaHART:
- 8 Q. Can you explain to me what this is?
- 9 A. We were getting all kinds of people calling us up
- 10 purporting to have a deal of a lifetime. This is one of
- 11 them, and I could take some more time, but, apparently, the
- 12 numbers just were very similar to the many -- the IOU
- 13 utilities in Florida are all required to sign contracts with
- 14 anybody who offers anything at a -- and this is another one
- of those things that is a never going to happen.
- 16 It's like saying, "I'll sell you a new Porsche for
- 17 \$5,000." Well, you say you can, but let's not waste any
- 18 time.
- 19 Q. Can you tell me if this has anything to do with the
- 20 biomass plant?
- 21 A. Looks like he was just saying that he could --
- Q. When you say "he," you mean Lorne Bradley?
- 23 A. Well, PolyGeneration. Railex, PolyGeneration.
- Delivered all in, capital, everything, for less than
- 25 6 cents a kilowatt hour.

- 1 Q. Did this have anything to do with the Power Purchase
- 2 Agreement?
- 3 A. I think what it was is that word was out on the
- 4 street, in the community that we were pursuing a biomass
- 5 project.
- 6 O. Uh-huh.
- 7 A. And this was, obviously, August 15, 2008, so that
- 8 was after the time when it was known that we were negotiating
- 9 such a thing, and the feeding frenzy had started.
- 10 Q. So the feeding frenzy, you mean there were other
- 11 folks that were hoping to beat GREC out?
- 12 A. Oh, yes.
- Q. But the City had already accepted an RFP at that
- 14 point.
- 15 A. That's right.
- 16 Q. So why would they -- why did they think they would
- 17 have a chance?
- 18 A. I can't explain their motives.
- 19 Q. Okay. Just wanted to make sure I wasn't missing
- 20 something.
- 21 Can you turn to the next document, please? Would
- 22 you identify this for the record?
- 23 A. It's September 10, 2008, from myself to, looks like,
- 24 the Nacogdoches -- I guess at this point it's GREC
- 25 negotiating team.

- 1 Q. And there was an attachment, correct?
- 2 A. There is an attachment here, but the attachment,
- 3 I'll have to take your word for it, that it came with this
- 4 e-mail.
- Q. Well, it says, "Attachments: Follow-up Issues
- 6 September 8, 2008."
- 7 Is that what the attachment says?
- 8 A. It says, "Critical Issues September 8th."
- 9 Q. Did you draft this list?
- 10 A. Well, it looks like it.
- 11 Q. Can you tell me why it was stamped "Confidential"?
- 12 Who were you keeping it secret from?
- MS. WARATUKE: Object to the form of the question.
- Go ahead and answer it.
- 15 A. Gee, I don't -- I don't remember.
- 16 Q. Was it your opinion when you drafted this that it
- 17 was somehow exempt from the public records law?
- 18 A. Whoever stamped it apparently thought so. I just
- 19 don't -- you know, I don't have a stamp that looks like that.
- 20 I suppose you could do that in Word. I just -- I'm just
- 21 pulling a blank here.
- There was a lot of terms and conditions that we were
- 23 discussing that were redacted, eventually became redacted.
- 24 They were deemed confidential as I was advised by our
- 25 attorney.

- 1 Q. Which attorney advised you of that?
- 2 A. Skip Manasco.
- Q. As part of the development of the Power Purchase
- 4 Agreement from back in May of 2008 when you started working
- 5 on the agreement until it was ratified by the City, were
- 6 there times in the context of these all-day or two-day
- 7 meetings where the parties separated into subteams to work on
- 8 particular issues?
- 9 A. We would call that caucus, and, yeah, that probably
- 10 happened a few times.
- 11 Q. Tell me what particular subjects you remember having
- 12 smaller group discussions about.
- 13 A. I can't remember.
- Q. You can't remember any?
- 15 A. (Witness shakes head.)
- 16 Q. Did you ever participate in a subgroup like that?
- 17 A. Oh, sure, but it's all part of a big blur of four
- 18 years ago.
- 19 Q. Well, were there particular subjects that you were
- 20 responsible for under the terms of the Power -- under the
- 21 negotiations?
- Mr. Stanton told me that there were a few things
- 23 that were kind of his babies. Did you have things that were
- 24 more -- you took ownership of more than Mr. Stanton did?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 O. What were those?
- 2 A. Although I will say that it is my nature to care
- 3 about the whole thing, so I have, obviously, read and
- 4 discussed with everybody different things, but my areas were
- 5 more the fiduciary aspects rather than the operational
- 6 aspects or the technical aspects, although I was watching all
- 7 that stuff very carefully because they do work hand in hand.
- 8 And, obviously, the fuel --
- 9 Q. Fuel pricing?
- 10 A. Fuel procurement standards and stuff like that.
- 11 Q. What about the fuel pricing?
- 12 A. How the pricing was handled in the contract, yes.
- 13 Q. I'd like to go over some of what you apparently
- identified as issues back in September of '08. The first one
- 15 says, "What's the best way to index plant costs and what's a
- 16 fair starting value?"
- And it appears that it's assigned to Black & Veatch.
- 18 How do you say that?
- 19 A. Veatch.
- Q. Veatch, right. Black & Veatch or Burns &
- 21 McDonnell's -- and McDonnell.
- 22 Black & Veatch was a consultant that was doing some
- 23 work for the City; is that right?
- A. During that time frame, we had standing contracts,
- 25 what they call continuing engineering services contracts with

- 1 both of those firms.
- I remember talking to parties of both sides and
- 3 winding up hiring another consultant named Fred Haddad to
- 4 work with that part of it.
- 5 O. Whose decision was it to hire Fred Haddad?
- 6 A. It was mine.
- 7 Q. And why did you pick Fred?
- 8 A. Because of I knew that he had negotiated similar
- 9 deals between Orlando Utilities and Southern Power Company to
- 10 deal with exactly the issues that we had to deal with here,
- 11 which is that between the time of contract signature and
- 12 there was a landmark -- I forget what the exact title of it
- 13 was. Prices had to float with the market when we strike up a
- 14 -- they call strike the price at a certain point, and so we
- 15 had to come up with a fair way to float with the market
- 16 during that interval.
- 17 O. You raised as an issue what would be the benefit of
- 18 not rolling operation and maintenance in fixed capacity
- 19 costs. Tell me a little about what you meant by that.
- 20 A. Well, we wound up keeping them separate, and the
- 21 reason was that we were trying, you know, striving -- when I
- 22 say we, I mean as a whole team. You know, this was kind of
- 23 our marching orders. We were to keep the pricing as stable
- 24 as possible, and there were parts of 0 & M that probably no
- 25 power supplier were going to take the full cost risk on it,

- 1 chemicals and things like that, things that -- and so that
- 2 was what that was about, is how to structure the contract to
- 3 deal with variable O & M versus fixed O & M.
- 4 THE COURT REPORTER: I'm sorry. Your voice drops a
- 5 little bit. If you'll keep it much louder for me --
- 6 THE WITNESS: A little louder?
- 7 THE COURT REPORTER: -- because it's a little
- 8 technical.
- 9 THE WITNESS: There's variable O & M, fixed O & M,
- and how to handle those costs, how to structure the
- 11 contract in a way that was fair to all parties.
- 12 And I guess -- I guess at that time GREC wanted to
- roll it all into one number that would have to be
- somewhat indexed, and we wound up not going there.
- 15 BY MS. LaHART:
- 16 Q. How was the decision to not go there made?
- 17 A. Well, typically it would be a discussion with Bob.
- 18 O. Only Bob?
- 19 A. No. There might be other people in the room
- 20 depending on what it was.
- Q. Who else do you recall discussing this issue with?
- 22 A. Undoubtedly, John Stanton. Rick Bachmeier was in
- 23 most of the conversations like that. Probably Skip.
- Q. Tell me more about issue No. 6, "What's a fair test
- 25 of capacity?" What was that issue?

- 1 A. Well, when you build a power plant, there's many
- 2 different complicated systems working together, and you know
- 3 what the ratings are for all the pieces and parts, but then
- 4 you have to test the plant to see what it really produces.
- 5 And so although on paper, you know, we still don't
- 6 really know what GREC will be, but it was going to be a
- 7 hundred megawatts net, very different than gross, and it may
- 8 wind up being 98, may wind up being 102, but there's a point
- 9 at which it's not acceptable. It could be too low because
- 10 our long-term expansion plan calls for a hundred megawatts
- 11 because of the units we're going to be retiring and things
- 12 like that, or it could be too high. Whoa, we don't want to
- 13 be on the hook for that much power because we don't need that
- 14 much power.
- 15 And so how you test a unit to find out what its
- 16 rating is is rather involved because it takes -- I don't want
- 17 to give you a lesson on power plant engineering, but I'd be
- 18 glad to if you'd like.
- 19 O. Another day.
- 20 A. Okay. And that was an area which John Stanton
- 21 definitely was a subject matter expert.
- Q. Okay. Did John Stanton make any recommendations to
- 23 you regarding what a good way to test the capacity would be?
- A. I believe they wound up being accepted by Bob and
- 25 entering the contract.

- 1 Q. Do you know if there were testing methodologies that
- 2 were not recommended to Bob?
- A. No. I don't know. I just pretty much said, Well,
- 4 here's a guy who's done this all over the world for many,
- 5 many power plants, and here's how he thinks it ought to be
- 6 done. This is probably it. That was his bag.
- 7 Q. Mr. Stanton's bag?
- 8 A. Uh-huh.
- 9 Q. Now, there are three items, three issues on this
- 10 list that are apparently assigned to you and Mervis. Who is
- 11 Mervis?
- 12 A. Ari Mervis. He was a gentleman employed by
- 13 Nacogdoches and GREC. He was a lawyer, and he was the point
- 14 person for coordinating the negotiations on their side of the
- 15 house.
- 16 Q. Did you have conversations with Mr. Mervis about the
- 17 three items on this list?
- 18 A. Undoubtedly.
- 19 Q. How did those conversations take place? Were they
- in person or by phone?
- 21 A. We had a lot of phone conversations, so probably by
- 22 phone.
- 23 Q. And based on those conversations, did you make
- 24 recommendations to Mr. Hunzinger?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 O. Were there --
- 2 A. And I'm sure he made recommendations to his side of
- 3 the house as well.
- 4 O. Mr. Mervis did?
- 5 A. Yeah.
- Q. Were there things that you and Mr. Mervis discussed
- 7 that you ultimately did not recommend to Mr. Hunzinger?
- 8 A. There were times when, you know, I wasn't going to
- 9 give -- you know, he wanted the shirt off our backs. I
- 10 wasn't going to recommend that to Bob, so of course.
- MS. LaHART: For the record, that was Exhibit No.
- 12 24.
- 13 (Thereupon, Plaintiff's Exhibit 24 was marked for
- 14 Identification.)
- MS. LaHART: Does anybody need a break yet?
- 16 THE WITNESS: I could use some water.
- 17 MS. LaHART: Okay.
- 18 THE WITNESS: My throat is a little gravelly.
- 19 (Thereupon, a brief recess was taken.)
- 20 (Thereupon, Plaintiff's Exhibit 25 was marked for
- 21 Identification.)
- MS. LaHART: All right. Back on the record.
- 23 BY MS. LaHART:
- Q. The next document, the next exciting document for
- 25 you to turn your attention to is a September 18th e-mail. It

- 1 appears to be from you. Do you recall sending this e-mail?
- 2 A. This e-mail appears to be from me forwarding a
- 3 rather extensive e-mail, it looks like, from Joshua Levine.
- 4 Q. You are sort of announcing to your team that Joshua
- 5 is your new primary contact on the PPA?
- 6 A. Yeah.
- 7 Q. Can you turn to the next document?
- 8 MR. DEE: Was the last one 24, or did you not
- 9 introduce that?
- 10 MS. LaHART: The last one was 25.
- 11 MR. DEE: I mean 25. Okay.
- 12 THE WITNESS: I'm sorry. Where are we?
- MS. WARATUKE: There isn't a question pending, so
- 14 just wait.
- 15 (Thereupon, Plaintiff's Exhibit 26 was marked for
- 16 Identification.)
- 17 BY MS. LaHART:
- 18 Q. I'm just trying to remember what I thought was so
- 19 interesting about this e-mail, but I think if you turn to
- 20 page 3 --
- 21 A. Is this the September 25th?
- 22 O. Yes.
- 23 A. Okay.
- Q. September 25th. It's an e-mail from yourself to
- 25 Mr. Levine. Heads up on some issues that Skip has noticed --

- 1 has noted.
- 2 Did you indeed send this e-mail to Mr. Levine?
- 3 A. On page 3?
- 4 Q. Page 3 of Exhibit 26.
- 5 A. Yeah. That appears to be from me.
- Q. You were essentially passing on some comments from
- 7 Skip Manasco to Joshua Levine, correct?
- 8 A. Right.
- 9 MS. LaHART: Thank you.
- Next document would be Exhibit 27.
- 11 (Thereupon, Plaintiff's Exhibit 27 was marked for
- 12 Identification.)
- 13 BY MS. LaHART:
- Q. Can you identify this for the record?
- 15 A. This is an e-mail I received from Joshua Levine.
- 16 O. Yes.
- 17 A. On September 26th.
- 18 Q. It says, "Hello Ed, Attached to this e-mail is a
- 19 memo that you requested we draft."
- 20 Can you explain to me why you asked them to draft
- 21 that memo?
- 22 A. Yeah. We were pursuing a termination for
- 23 convenience, I guess, and we were falling out of our chairs
- 24 with the big numbers that were coming in and --
- Q. Tell me what you mean by that.

- 1 A. \$32 million or \$30 million or something like that.
- 2 Q. That's what GREC was telling you would be the cost
- 3 of a termination for convenience clause?
- 4 A. Right.
- 5 Q. It would be the cost that the City would have to pay
- 6 if they decided to invoke that clause. Is that how --
- 7 A. Exactly.
- 8 Q. Am I understanding that correct? Okay.
- 9 A. And -- but it was more than that.
- 10 I'm sorry for eating this candy.
- 11 Q. No, that's all right.
- 12 A. I would characterize the -- having that in a
- 13 contract would also have an effect on the pricing you would
- 14 get -- that they would get for construction and financing of
- 15 the project, and this was sometime after we first -- we -- we
- 16 had kind of all gone over it as a group, and we -- and, you
- 17 know, we knew that this was important, and I thought it would
- 18 be good to have in the record something that documents the
- 19 reasons they gave us for the numbers they produced.
- 20 Q. Okay.
- 21 A. So that's why I asked for it.
- Q. So if I'm understanding what you have told me, if
- 23 there was a termination for convenience clause, it could have
- 24 affected Nacogdoches or GREC's ability to get financing for
- 25 the project, and they might not have been able to get

- 1 financing on as favorable of terms?
- 2 A. Which then would turn into our cost.
- 3 Q. And that's something that was deliberated among the
- 4 parties, by both parties?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. Was it discussed extensively?
- 7 A. Yeah. I would consider it to be pretty, what I
- 8 would call, something of a sticky wicket.
- 9 Q. Did you ever consider moving to the next -- in other
- 10 words, was there a ranking of entities that had submitted
- 11 requests for proposal?
- Did you ever consider going to No. 2 since you
- 13 couldn't negotiate a termination for convenience clause with
- 14 No. 1?
- 15 A. The next in line, I think, was Covanta.
- 16 0. Was what?
- 17 A. Covanta.
- 18 O. Covanta.
- 19 A. Who develops waste energy projects.
- Q. That's what is commonly known as garbage burners?
- 21 A. Yep. And I was privy to the pricing which they had
- 22 redacted in their proposal, and there was no point going
- 23 there.
- As was everybody else on the team, especially
- 25 Mr. Hunzinger.

- Q. Did you ever discuss it with the team (indicating)?
- 2 International symbol for team.
- 3 A. I'm sure we did.
- 4 (Thereupon, Plaintiff's Exhibit 28 was marked for
- 5 Identification.)
- 6 BY MS. LaHART:
- 7 Q. The next exciting document in your stack we'll call
- 8 Exhibit 28. Can you identify that for the record?
- 9 A. It looks like you sent us a -- this is an e-mail
- 10 dated September 26th from Josh Levine to myself and everybody
- 11 else transmitting another draft of the proposed PPA.
- 12 Q. It specifically references your plan. That's why I
- 13 thought you were so important in this negotiations team.
- 14 A. Well, in this case, Ed's plan was how to administer
- 15 a review so that we could report to our general manager in a
- 16 timely manner.
- 17 Q. All right. Perhaps I read too much into it, then.
- 18 Exhibit 28.
- 19 MR. McDERMOTT: The next one, is that the -- I'm
- 20 sorry. The next one is what, 28 or --
- MS. LaHART: Yes.
- 22 MR. McDERMOTT: -- 29?
- THE WITNESS: We just finished 28.
- MS. LaHART: We did?
- MR. McDERMOTT: Yeah, we did.

- 1 MS. LaHART: See, math was not my forte. If I was
- any good at it, I wouldn't have had to go to law school.
- All right. We'll call the next one Exhibit 29,
- 4 then.
- 5 (Thereupon, Plaintiff's Exhibit 29 was marked for
- 6 Identification.)
- 7 BY MS. LaHART:
- 8 Q. Can you identify this record?
- 9 A. It's from John Stanton to GRU people about GREC.
- 10 Q. I think one must have gotten missed in the copying
- 11 because my next one is an October 8, 2008, e-mail from --
- 12 MR. McDERMOTT: Here it is.
- MS. LaHART: Oh, I'm sorry, it got attached. Sorry.
- 14 So this is Exhibit 29.
- MR. McDERMOTT: The second page is a separate one.
- MS. WARATUKE: Wait for the question. Okay?
- 17 THE WITNESS: Okay.
- 18 BY MS. LaHART:
- 19 Q. The question is, would you identify this for the
- 20 record?
- 21 A. It's an e-mail from Rita Strother, oh, on behalf of
- 22 Skip Manasco dated October 8th.
- Q. And it's suggested changes to the Power Purchase
- 24 Agreement, correct?
- 25 A. Yep.

- 1 (Thereupon, Plaintiff's Exhibit 30 was marked for
- 2 Identification.)
- 3 BY MS. LaHART:
- 4 Q. Okay. I think we're up to Exhibit 30 now.
- 5 A. Is there a question?
- 6 Q. Could you identify this for the record?
- 7 A. This is a --
- 8 Q. I thought by now it was implied.
- 9 A. An e-mail from John Stanton to GRU people, and he's
- 10 apparently transmitting some of the sections that he was
- 11 primarily responsible for.
- 12 And since it was very technical, he was the one who
- would draft it up, and I guess Jonathan Cole would legalese
- 14 it or something like that. That's what it seems to be.
- 15 Q. You were copied on this e-mail, correct?
- 16 A. Uh-huh. Yes.
- 17 O. I believe Mr. Stanton told me that it was Mr. Cole
- 18 who was responsible for taking draft language and integrating
- 19 it into the Power Purchase Agreement; is that correct?
- 20 A. Correct. That's what I was terming legalizing it.
- 21 MS. LaHART: Legalizing it. Okay.
- I think paperclipped and what shouldn't have been
- paperclipped to that would be Exhibit 31.
- 24 And I think that really actually wasn't supposed to
- be in there at all, so never mind. A lot of paper in my

- 1 office lately.
- The next document we'll mark Exhibit 32.
- MS. WARATUKE: 31 if you weren't going to use that
- 4 last one.
- 5 MS. LaHART: I was not. That was a mistake.
- 6 MS. BEATY: The stapled one was 30.
- 7 MS. WARATUKE: Right, and then this would be 31.
- 8 (Thereupon, Plaintiff's Exhibit 31 was marked for
- 9 Identification.)
- 10 BY MS. LaHART:
- 11 Q. Could you identify Exhibit 31 for the record,
- 12 Mr. Regan?
- 13 A. It's a memo from me to Josh dated November 17th.
- 14 Q. You were responding to an e-mail that was sent to
- 15 you by Mr. Levine; is that correct?
- 16 A. Yep.
- 17 Q. And then on page 3, is that an e-mail from you to
- 18 Mr. Levine?
- 19 A. Yep, dated November 12th.
- MS. LaHART: Thank you.
- The next document we'll mark as Exhibit 32.
- 22 (Thereupon, Plaintiff's Exhibit 32 was marked for
- 23 Identification.)
- 24 BY MS. LaHART:
- Q. I'll ask if you can identify this record -- document

- 1 for me.
- 2 A. It's an e-mail dated November 25th from myself to
- 3 Ruth Martin.
- 4 O. Who is Ruth Martin?
- 5 A. My administrative assistant.
- 6 Q. Your secretary? Essentially your secretary?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. This references a consulting contract that regarded
- 9 the biomass plant, correct?
- 10 A. Right.
- 11 O. What was it for?
- 12 A. Well, it was -- it actually harkens back to one of
- our earlier exhibits, which was what would our construction
- 14 dates be, and they don't tell you anything unless you pay
- 15 them some money, so I gave them a task authorization to come
- 16 back with a recommendation, which didn't fully meet our
- 17 needs.
- 18 Q. When you say --
- 19 A. It wound up being --
- 20 Q. I'm sorry, I don't mean to interrupt, but when you
- 21 say "they," who do you mean?
- 22 A. Black & Veatch --
- 23 Q. Okay.
- 24 A. -- engineering firm. Although I'm sure they
- 25 provided useful information.

- 1 Q. Well, I hope so.
- 2 Page 2, there's an e-mail from yourself to Ann
- 3 Ferland.
- 4 A. Yeah.
- 5 O. Does she work for R.J. (sic) Beck?
- 6 A. Wait a minute. Did I say this is Black & Veatch?
- 7 O. You did.
- 8 A. I'm wrong. This is -- this is R.W. Beck.
- 9 O. R.W. Beck?
- 10 A. Right.
- 11 O. Okay.
- 12 A. Yes, she does.
- Q. November 18th you e-mailed Ann and said "The purpose
- of this e-mail is to authorize R.W. Beck to assemble the
- 15 information described below" --
- 16 A. Right.
- 17 Q. -- "as we discussed over the phone."
- Were there other consultant companies that you had
- 19 considered to do that work?
- 20 A. Yeah, Black & Veatch.
- Q. Why did you pick R.W. Beck?
- 22 A. I don't think I -- we actually wound up working with
- 23 Fred Haddad --
- 24 Q. Okay.
- 25 A. -- with R.W. Beck, and Black & Veatch, they had

- 1 continuing engineering contracts. R.W. Beck used to be our
- 2 engineer of record for our bond trustees and stuff like that,
- 3 so they knew a fair amount about us. So it was a --
- 4 Q. Now, let me try this another way, then.
- 5 Why did you authorize R.W. Beck to do this
- 6 particular work that you asked for for a fee not to exceed
- 7 \$7,500?
- 8 A. Because it was my understanding they had the
- 9 expertise to do it.
- 10 MS. LaHART: Fair enough.
- 11 Exhibit 33.
- 12 (Thereupon, Plaintiff's Exhibit 33 was marked for
- 13 Identification.)
- 14 BY MS. LaHART:
- 15 O. Did Beck --
- 16 A. This one looks like it's Black & Veatch.
- 17 Q. Before you go onto that, I wanted to ask a follow-up
- 18 question on the --
- 19 MS. WARATUKE: There's no question pending, so wait
- 20 until she asks it. Okay?
- 21 THE WITNESS: All right.
- 22 BY MS. LaHART:
- 23 Q. On the exhibit that I just asked you about, my
- 24 question is whether R.W. Beck provided any sort of work
- 25 product in response to this e-mail.

- 1 A. Yes.
- Q. Specifically what was it?
- 3 A. I remember it being a letter report.
- 4 Q. Do you remember the gist of it?
- 5 A. It was a discussion of the various factors that go
- 6 into pricing a power plant, and it didn't make any firm
- 7 recommendations. That's what I remember, but I could be
- 8 wrong.
- 9 O. Okay. The next document is Exhibit 33. It's a
- 10 string of e-mails.
- 11 Go back to page 6. If you wouldn't mind looking
- 12 through this e-mail string and familiarize yourself with it,
- 13 and I want to ask you a couple of questions about it.
- 14 Can you summarize for me what this exchange was
- 15 about?
- 16 A. Well, prior to 2008, I don't remember the exact
- 17 year, it might have been '06, '07, Black & Veatch had done a
- 18 study for Gainesville Regional Utilities on generation
- 19 alternatives and their costs and comparing them, and one of
- 20 the things that we were doing as we negotiated this contract
- 21 is we created our own financial models and reverse engineered
- 22 the deal. How else are you going to know?
- 23 And so this was about having them take that older
- 24 study and update the pricing.
- Q. Can you explain to me how this related to the GREC

- 1 biomass plant?
- 2 A. We were looking for reasonable construction costs to
- 3 compare the proposal to a build-it-yourself option.
- 4 MS. LaHART: Thank you.
- 5 Up to Exhibit 34.
- 6 (Thereupon, Plaintiff's Exhibit 34 was marked for
- 7 Identification.)
- 8 BY MS. LaHART:
- 9 Q. Mr. Regan, if you would, turn to page 2 in the
- 10 middle of the page.
- MS. WARATUKE: Do you need a break?
- 12 THE WITNESS: No, I'm fine.
- 13 BY MS. LaHART:
- 14 Q. Sorry. I know this is very tedious.
- Do you recognize this document? Could you identify
- 16 it for the record?
- 17 A. Well, it's a -- it's an e-mail dated Thursday,
- 18 December 4th, from myself to my assistant, Richard Bachmeier,
- 19 to -- there was a process ongoing of developing a ground
- 20 lease, and I wanted to take a look at the marked-up version
- in a way it would make sense, which meant color, so that's
- 22 what that was about.
- 23 Q. And the ground lease is the lease by which GREC has
- leased from the City of Gainesville the property upon which
- 25 it's building the power plant; is that correct?

- 1 A. Uh-huh. That's correct.
- Q. Is that incorporated into the Power Purchase
- 3 Agreement or is that a separate document?
- 4 A. It's a separate document.
- 5 MS. LaHART: Exhibit 35.
- 6 (Thereupon, Plaintiff's Exhibit 35 was marked for
- 7 Identification.)
- 8 BY MS. LaHART:
- 9 Q. Are you familiar with this document?
- 10 A. It appears to be notes from a meeting held
- 11 December 8th and 9th, 2008.
- 12 Q. Do you recall being in attendance at that meeting?
- 13 A. Well, the fact that the list of attendees includes
- 14 me prompts my memory to a great degree.
- 15 O. Fair enough.
- And does it look to you like these minutes from the
- 17 meetings or these what's titled Results From Discussion of
- 18 Revisited Items, are these the subjects that you remember
- 19 discussing at that meeting in 2008?
- 20 A. These -- those are the subjects that are -- the
- 21 notes, so I imagine these are what was -- I don't recall all
- 22 these things myself personally, but at face value would
- 23 suggest that this is a summary of topics that were discussed
- in the December 8th and 9th meeting.
- Q. Do you recall having received these minutes or these

- 1 notes from the meeting back in the end of 2008?
- In other words, is this the first time you are
- 3 seeing this document?
- 4 A. I couldn't tell you.
- O. Okay.
- 6 A. But I was very curious -- well, I was very aware and
- 7 involved with every time there was a meeting like this of the
- 8 issues and very close to all of these different discussions.
- 9 I can't remember if I saw this particular piece of paper out
- 10 of the many, many thousands that go across my desk.
- 11 Q. But it appears to accurately reflect the topics that
- 12 would have been discussed at that meeting?
- 13 A. Yep.
- MS. LaHART: Thank you.
- 15 Exhibit 36.
- 16 (Thereupon, Plaintiff's Exhibit 36 was marked for
- 17 Identification.)
- 18 BY MS. LaHART:
- 19 Q. Would you identify that document for the record?
- 20 A. It's an e-mail from myself to Josh Levine dated
- 21 Friday, December 12th.
- Q. And who is copied on it?
- 23 A. Richard Bachmeier and John Stanton.
- Q. It says: Josh, One of the topics that has emerged
- 25 in our discussions is the question with the value of natural

- 1 gas as a fuel hedge.
- When you say "our discussions," to whom are you
- 3 referring?
- 4 With whom did those discussions take place?
- 5 A. I would imagine, and since I've copied Richard
- 6 Bachmeier and John Stanton, in one of our many discussions,
- 7 possibly in the bathroom, you know, gee, could we run a plant
- 8 on natural gas? I'll ask.
- 9 O. What was the answer to that?
- 10 A. That was the answer, Richard Bachmeier and John
- 11 Stanton.
- 12 Q. No. What was the answer to the question could we
- 13 run the plant on natural gas?
- Not so much?
- 15 A. Be very inefficient.
- 16 Q. Okay. Thank you.
- 17 A. There is probably a price point where you would do
- 18 it.
- 19 O. Really?
- 20 A. I don't know what it is, though.
- 21 (Thereupon, Plaintiff's Exhibit 37 was marked for
- 22 Identification.)
- 23 BY MS. LaHART:
- Q. Exhibit 37, the next document, if you could look at
- 25 the second e-mail that's on page 1. Can I ask you to

- 1 describe that for the record?
- 2 A. It's an e-mail from Josh to myself and copying, I
- 3 guess, really it's subject matter experts both with GREC and
- 4 Gainesville Regional Utilities dated December 22nd.
- O. And it's entitled "GREC PPA issues"?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. Do you recall seeing the last two pages of that, of
- 8 Exhibit 37?
- 9 A. There's a table called Status of GRU/AR Negotiations
- 10 on GREC?
- 11 O. Uh-huh.
- 12 A. Actually, I do recall this.
- 13 Q. What do you recall about it?
- 14 A. That it was a good summary of where we were.
- 15 Q. Did you get a color copy?
- 16 A. Not today.
- 17 O. Back in December of 2008?
- 18 A. I probably printed it out in color.
- 19 Q. Okay. Was this prepared by Mr. Levine?
- 20 A. Yep.
- Q. And, for the record, when I say "this," I'm
- 22 referring to a document entitled Status of GRU/AR
- 23 Negotiations on GREC.
- A. Yep. Yes.
- Q. I'd like to ask you about some of the topics that

- 1 are included in this list. Mr. Levine seems like a very
- 2 well-organized person. Is that your impression?
- 3 A. I think that this matrix is an example of his
- 4 diligence.
- 5 Q. I was thinking about trying to hire him away to be
- 6 my office manager. That's probably not in my budget.
- For example, under the topic of Performance
- 8 Security, No. 3, "Development security, old section 13.1
- 9 gone."
- 10 Do you see where I'm reading?
- 11 A. Uh-huh.
- 12 Q. It says, "GRU agreed to no development security in
- 13 the PPA."
- 14 Did that agreement take place at the December 8th or
- 15 9th meeting? Is that when GRU agreed?
- 16 A. I couldn't be that specific, but this is
- 17 dated -- this was long after it. So at the time it was my
- 18 understanding that, yep, we had agreed to get rid of the old
- 19 one and had a new one.
- 20 Q. And is that an agreement that was reached in one of
- 21 these negotiation team meetings?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. How about under the next topic, Buy Out
- 24 Provision/ROFO, can you tell me what -- oh, right of first
- 25 offer, is that what ROFO means?

- 1 A. Yes. Right.
- Q. Right of first offer means that, if GREC decides to
- 3 sell the plant, the City of Gainesville gets an opportunity
- 4 to buy it first; is that correct?
- 5 A. Correct.
- Q. Under or next in No. 7, it says old section 28.1 is
- 7 gone, "Parties agreed to eliminate this option; Year 24
- 8 option remains in PPA."
- 9 Was the agreement to eliminate that option something
- 10 that would have been reached during these negotiation
- 11 meetings?
- 12 A. My guess would be yes. Probably when we were all up
- 13 in Boston.
- Q. Under the heading Contract Language, "Gross
- 15 negligence," I saw a lot of e-mails back and forth from
- 16 Mr. Manasco about that term.
- 17 Is he the one that found that that was acceptable
- 18 language?
- 19 MS. WARATUKE: I'm going to object to the form of
- that question.
- 21 BY MS. LaHART:
- 22 Q. Did you understand my question?
- 23 A. That was a -- that was a Skip issue, and he was
- 24 working with the AR folks to come up with language that was
- 25 -- to get to the same place.

- 1 Q. How about the gross billing option, it says the
- 2 parties agree not to consider gross billing option at this
- 3 time, it may be addressed in the future.
- 4 Was gross billing part of the final Power Purchase
- 5 Agreement?
- 6 A. Gross billing refers to the fact that there were
- 7 a -- there was the buying of power from GREC and GREC buying
- 8 power from GRU.
- 9 For -- for example, if they were off-line, they
- 10 would have to have electricity to do things in the plant.
- 11 They need electricity to help start the plant.
- 12 Q. Got you.
- 13 A. So dealing with that on the billing was just -- we
- 14 didn't need to worry about that.
- 15 Q. So that was something that was decided not to be
- 16 addressed in the PPA at all?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. And that's an agreement they would have come to at
- 19 least --
- 20 A. Although the wholesale power agreement itself I
- 21 believe is an attachment to the PPA.
- 22 O. Okay.
- 23 A. But the billing was going to be -- you know, the way
- it was written is there's two separate billing streams, and
- 25 for a number of accounting and reporting and for kind of

- 1 reasons, it was better to keep them separate in our mind.
- Q. So GREC will get a power bill from GRU just like I
- 3 do?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 O. Good.
- 6 And the decision to do the billing that way was
- 7 something that was decided upon in these negotiation
- 8 meetings?
- 9 A. If I recall correctly, the way it evolved is we
- 10 never thought -- we didn't even -- you know, here's how we do
- 11 wholesale power billing. We have separate contracts like
- 12 that with a number of different entities where we'll be
- 13 selling power to Progress and maybe from time to time buying.
- 14 You just keep them separate, and so it never occurred to us
- 15 not to do that, I don't think.
- And they said, well, let's do the gross billing.
- 17 Ah, let's not deal with that.
- 18 Q. Gross billing would refer to some sort of cost
- 19 offset?
- 20 A. Or net billing or something like that. Yeah.
- 21 Q. Sounds pretty complicated to me, too.
- 22 A. Yeah.
- MS. LaHART: What exhibit number are we up to?
- MR. McDERMOTT: 38.
- 25 MS. WARATUKE: She's done with 37. Do you want to

- 1 look at the next one?
- 2 Do you need a break?
- 3 THE WITNESS: No.
- 4 MS. LaHART: I need a break. Can we take five
- 5 minutes or ten minutes?
- 6 MS. WARATUKE: Yes.
- 7 (Thereupon, a brief recess was taken.)
- 8 (Thereupon, Plaintiff's Exhibit 38 was marked for
- 9 Identification.)
- 10 MS. LaHART: All right. Back on the record.
- 11 BY MS. LaHART:
- 12 Q. I believe we have worked our way up to exciting
- 13 Exhibit No. 38. Would you identify this document for the
- 14 record, please, Mr. Regan?
- 15 A. It's an e-mail from me just relaying an e-mail from
- 16 Josh Levine dated January 8, 2009.
- MS. LaHART: Well, apparently, I didn't think there
- were any good parts worth highlighting in this one, so
- 19 we'll move onto Exhibit 39.
- 20 (Thereupon, Plaintiff's Exhibit 39 was marked for
- 21 Identification.)
- 22 BY MS. LaHART:
- 23 Q. And for the record, could you identify this
- 24 document?
- 25 A. It's an e-mail from Jonathan Cole to both GREC and

- 1 GRU people. "Update on American Renewables" is the title of
- 2 it.
- Q. And it looks like he is forwarding an e-mail from
- 4 you; is that correct?
- 5 A. He's actually forwarding an e-mail from Josh.
- 6 Q. You are right. Then why does it say, "Ed, thank you
- 7 for putting this summary together"?
- 8 A. Because Josh was responding to one from me.
- 9 Q. Ah, which is further down on the page. It's an
- 10 e-mail from you dated Friday, January 16, 2009; is that
- 11 correct?
- 12 All the way at the bottom of the page.
- 13 A. January 16th, yes.
- 0. What was that e-mail about?
- 15 A. This is a -- kind of a punch list of items that
- 16 needed to be cleaned up in the draft PPA.
- 17 Q. And that cleanup would take place in future
- 18 negotiating team meetings?
- 19 A. Not necessarily. Some of these look like just a
- 20 table of contents needs work, things like that. So that the
- 21 cleanup, efforts to clean up would then probably be a topic
- 22 of discussion.
- MS. LaHART: Exhibit No. 40.
- 24 (Thereupon, Plaintiff's Exhibit 40 was marked for
- 25 Identification.)

- 1 BY MS. LaHART:
- Q. Would you describe this document for the record?
- A. It's an e-mail from me, Monday, March 16th, to Fred
- 4 Haddad copying my assistant and some people that will be
- 5 working with Fred on the -- on the scope of work.
- 6 Q. So you accepted his proposed scope for Task 2; is
- 7 that correct?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 (Thereupon, Plaintiff's Exhibit 41 was marked for
- 10 Identification.)
- 11 BY MS. LaHART:
- 12 Q. Okay, Exhibit 41. Would you identify this document
- 13 for the record?
- 14 A. It's an e-mail from Ed Hoffman to myself, and it's
- 15 summarizing some of the -- I mentioned to you reverse
- 16 engineering model. What that really means is us running our
- 17 own independent models of what the pricing ought to be.
- 18 Q. So is this sort of a way of cross checking the price
- 19 proposed by Nacogdoches?
- 20 A. Uh-huh. Uh-huh.
- Q. Could we back up to Exhibit 40? It's the e-mail
- 22 from yourself to Mr. Haddad.
- 23 What was the work product that Mr. Haddad produced
- and how did it relate to the Power Purchase Agreement?
- 25 A. He took the proposals for the indexing that we had

- on the table, looked them over and compared them to some
- 2 other indexes and suggested the general direction we should
- 3 take, but we wanted to look more closely at the indices and
- 4 in order to pick them for our counterproposal to American
- 5 Renewables.
- 6 (Thereupon, Plaintiff's Exhibit 42 was marked for
- 7 Identification.)
- 8 BY MS. LaHART:
- 9 Q. Going onto Exhibit 42. Could you identify this
- 10 record -- document?
- 11 A. It's from myself to Jonathan Cole.
- 12 Q. You were asking Jonathan's input on something.
- 13 A. Yeah. Jonathan's group had been important in this
- 14 reverse engineering work to help us understand their cost of
- 15 capital of the underlying structures, which were very
- 16 different than would be applicable to a municipal utility
- 17 such as GRU, and so I wanted his feedback on what Mr. Hoffman
- 18 had just told me.
- 19 O. Do you recall what his feedback was?
- 20 A. Something along the lines of it looks like Ed's got
- 21 it.
- 22 Ed being Ed Hoffman.
- Q. Right. So if I understand it correctly, Mr. Cole
- thought that Mr. Hoffman had adequately reversed engineered
- 25 the --

- 1 A. The issue.
- Q. -- the issue.
- 3 A. Which is --
- 4 Q. The reasonableness of the price proposed by GREC?
- 5 A. Right, and what happens to the production tax
- 6 credit.
- 7 MS. LaHART: Okay. Exhibit 43.
- 8 (Thereupon, Plaintiff's Exhibit 43 was marked for
- 9 Identification.)
- 10 BY MS. LaHART:
- 11 Q. Do you recognize this document?
- 12 A. It's from myself to Mr. Hunzinger and Mr. Bachmeier
- 13 dated March 27th.
- Q. And you were passing onto Mr. Hunzinger and
- 15 Mr. Bachmeier an e-mail from Jason Peters?
- 16 A. Yes. He knew that I had approached Seminole with an
- 17 option to -- with the idea of would you like to be an
- 18 off-taker for the unit, GREC, and I wanted him to know what
- 19 the outcome of that discussion had been.
- 20 Q. And the outcome of that discussion was that it was
- 21 too expensive?
- 22 A. Right. They were buying landfill gas in the \$90
- 23 range, so --
- Q. And you were proposing to sell the power generated
- 25 by the biomass plant at 120?

- 1 A. Correct. It was the power and the capacity.
- 2 (Thereupon, Plaintiff's Exhibit 44 was marked for
- 3 Identification.)
- 4 BY MS. LaHART:
- 5 Q. Next document is Exhibit 44. Would you identify
- 6 this document for the record and explain what it is?
- 7 A. It's an e-mail from myself to Fred Haddad dated
- 8 April 8, 2009, and what it is is we had written up our
- 9 proposed index a certain way, and they were tweaking the
- 10 words, I guess you could say, and going through some example
- 11 calculations.
- 12 Q. So you are asking him to include something in his
- 13 proposal. Can you specifically explain to me what it is that
- 14 you are asking him to include?
- 15 A. Let's see. There's a date when a contract is
- 16 signed, and then I think it was called Notice of
- 17 Commencement, which would be when all the permits and
- 18 financing were in hand, at which point all of the pricing
- 19 that was going to be fixed for the next 30 years would be
- 20 fixed.
- 21 The -- when you go into what's called an EPC
- 22 agreement, engineer, procure and construct, which is what
- 23 American Renewables did to build GREC, this business that
- 24 we're in has -- is really a lot about managing risks for
- 25 commodities like metals and fuels and all those different

- 1 things.
- 2 So because you don't know how long a time period is
- 3 between signing the contract and getting all your permits and
- 4 financing, how long that would be, nobody is going to set a
- 5 price that far in advance because they can't lock in their
- 6 commodity hedges and everything else until they can make a
- 7 deal, and they can't make a deal until you have the
- 8 financing.
- 9 So between then, we had to agree, come up with a
- 10 mutually agreeable method to index the pricing of the
- 11 proposal to manage that risk in a way that was acceptable to
- 12 both parties, so that's what -- that's what that whole
- 13 discussion was about.
- MS. LaHART: Okay. Thank you.
- Let's go to the next exhibit. Actually, I don't
- 16 have to use this one. If you could pull that out.
- 17 (Thereupon, Plaintiff's Exhibit 45 was marked for
- 18 Identification.)
- 19 BY MS. LaHART:
- Q. If you could go to an e-mail from Fred Haddad to you
- 21 on April 23rd. We'll mark that one Exhibit 45, and ask you
- 22 if you could describe it, explain it.
- 23 A. It's an e-mail from Fred to myself and Richard
- 24 Bachmeier, and I had asked him because of his expertise to go
- 25 through the contract and point out things --

- 1 THE COURT REPORTER: I'm sorry. You're turning your
- 2 head.
- 3 THE WITNESS: Oh, sorry.
- 4 And I had asked him to go through the proposed PPA
- 5 and identify anything that he thought we might want to
- 6 worry about.
- 7 BY MS. LaHART:
- 8 Q. What was done with his recommendations, his areas of
- 9 concern?
- 10 A. I went through it with him and discussed how we were
- 11 dealing with those risks. I don't remember actually changing
- 12 any -- mostly had questions about those things, and it was a
- 13 good discussion to have.
- Q. Did you communicate any of his concerns to
- 15 Mr. Hunzinger?
- 16 A. I believe I did.
- 17 Q. How did you communicate them?
- 18 A. Probably verbally.
- 19 Q. When did you do that?
- 20 A. In that time frame, we were spending a lot of time
- 21 together.
- 22 Q. So you don't remember?
- 23 A. Pardon me?
- Q. You don't remember?
- 25 A. I don't remember exactly a time or place or

- 1 anything.
- MS. LaHART: Just a couple more.
- 3 MS. WARATUKE: You promise?
- 4 MS. LaHART: I promise. And I do mean a couple,
- 5 exactly two.
- These were exhibits from Mr. Stanton's deposition.
- 7 MS. WARATUKE: I'm sorry, so let me just -- I lost
- 8 focus for a minute. So the last exhibit was 45.
- 9 MR. DEE: 45.
- 10 MS. WARATUKE: Is this part of anything
- 11 (indicating)?
- MS. LaHART: I'm not going to ask him about that.
- MS. WARATUKE: Okay. Because I -- okay, here, so
- that's nothing. Okay.
- MS. LaHART: Well, I wouldn't say it's nothing, but
- 16 I'm not going to ask him any questions about it.
- 17 MS. WARATUKE: Okay.
- 18 BY MS. LaHART:
- 19 Q. Could you look at the document that's entitled
- 20 Exhibit 3 or has been marked as Exhibit 3?
- 21 A. Okay.
- Q. Do you recall having seen this agreement before?
- 23 A. Seen this agenda?
- 24 Q. Yes.
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. And how about the minutes that are attached, meeting
- 2 notes?
- 3 A. I'm pretty sure I've seen these.
- 4 Q. Do you know who prepared these notes?
- 5 A. I'm not sure. This would not have been my work
- 6 because I don't usually do things verbatim like that.
- 7 O. Would it have been Mr. Bachmeier?
- 8 A. I really couldn't say.
- 9 Q. Would you review these meeting notes just briefly?
- 10 A. Is there a significance to the things that are dark?
- 11 Q. You know, that's the way the document was when I
- 12 received it, so I can't answer that question. I didn't
- 13 darken them.
- 14 A. It looks like all the action items got highlighted.
- 15 O. Not by me.
- 16 A. Could you direct me to some particular area of
- 17 interest? This is --
- 18 O. No. I just --
- MS. WARATUKE: I think she wanted you to review it,
- 20 Ed, is what she said.
- 21 BY MS. LaHART:
- 22 Q. I want you to review the document because my next
- 23 question is going to be does this -- is this an accurate --
- 24 are these meeting notes accurate to the best of your memory?
- Does this appear to be the items that were discussed

- 1 and the gist of the discussions?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. Thank you very much.
- 4 The last one, Exhibit No. 4, could you identify that
- 5 document for the record?
- 6 And I apologize. I was running out of toner.
- 7 A. It is an e-mail from Rick Bachmeier, July 30, 2008,
- 8 to --
- 9 Q. Whole bunch of people, including yourself, right?
- 10 A. Including people from GREC scheduling a meeting and
- 11 the meeting notes.
- 12 Oh, so these look like his notes.
- 13 All right. How could be scheduling a meeting?
- No, it occurred, and here are the meeting notes.
- 15 This looks like the same document that I was just looking at
- 16 as Exhibit 3.
- 17 Q. Okay. So the minutes that are -- I keep calling
- 18 them minutes. The meeting notes that are attached to
- 19 Exhibit 4 are the same ones that were attached to Exhibit 3?
- 20 A. Yes.
- MS. LaHART: Okay. I don't think I have any more
- 22 paper that I'm going to ask you to look at. I do have a
- few more questions.
- Oh, I lied. I'm sorry.
- 25 MS. WARATUKE: Okay. This would be No. --

- 1 MR. McDERMOTT: 46.
- 2 MS. WARATUKE: Okay.
- 3 (Thereupon, Plaintiff's Exhibit 46 was marked for
- 4 Identification.)
- 5 BY MS. LaHART:
- Q. Mr. Regan, what I'm handing you are slides No. 14
- 7 and 15 from the PowerPoint presentation that you gave to the
- 8 city commission when the city commission ratified the Power
- 9 Purchase Agreement.
- 10 Do you remember giving that presentation?
- 11 A. Yep. It was, what, May 9th or May 7, 2009. I don't
- 12 remember the exact date.
- 13 Q. I don't, either.
- 14 MS. BEATY: 12th.
- MS. LaHART: May 12th?
- 16 MS. BEATY: I think.
- 17 BY MS. LaHART:
- 18 Q. I'm going to hand you Exhibit 46, ask you if that --
- 19 those look like the slides that you used that were part of
- 20 your PowerPoint presentation?
- 21 A. Yep.
- 22 Q. Could I have that back? I only have one copy.
- Can you tell me what the -- what the bullet points
- 24 are on these two slides? What were you intending to
- 25 communicate to the city commission with these?

- 1 A. In May of 2008, the city commission had given
- 2 authority to negotiate a contract to the general manager, but
- 3 through time there were some changes to the contract that the
- 4 general manager felt were material and, therefore, the city
- 5 commission needed to be made aware of them to ratify the
- 6 contract.
- 7 And so he asked me on his behalf to prepare a
- 8 presentation going through the changes and the reasons behind
- 9 those changes.
- 10 So this is not the complete list of all changes,
- 11 these two pages, but this does represent -- this does talk
- 12 about pricing changed and the term changed and how we
- 13 restructured the pricing to make it a pay for performance
- 14 instead of a typical Power Purchase Agreement, and, also, the
- 15 right of first offer, and a capacity guarantee, which was
- 16 not -- those were all different than in the beginning of the
- 17 process.
- 18 Q. How did the price change?
- 19 A. It went up.
- Q. Did you have discussions about the price increase
- 21 with members of the negotiating team?
- 22 A. Everybody on the team was very concerned about that.
- 23 Q. Who did you speak with regarding the price increase
- 24 specifically?
- 25 A. Mostly with the general manager. Spent a lot of

- 1 time on that.
- Q. Who else?
- 3 A. I was with him when he discussed it with
- 4 commissioners.
- 5 Q. Did you discuss it with any of the individual
- 6 members of the team other than Mr. Hunzinger?
- 7 A. Oh, yeah. We were all in the same room from time to
- 8 time. That was, you know, why we were doing the reverse
- 9 engineering and why we were tracking all these indices and
- 10 all that kind of stuff. One of the reasons why.
- 11 Q. Did you ever participate in any discussion regarding
- 12 the fact that the Power Purchase Agreement was not negotiated
- 13 with Nacogdoches but within a different entity, GREC?
- 14 A. That never seemed to be a problem. I don't remember
- 15 it being an area of concern. I know when it happened and our
- 16 attorney knew it. Everybody knew it. It went from being a
- 17 two-party consortium, BayCorp and EMI, to a three-party
- 18 consortium.
- 19 Q. Did you prepare that PowerPoint presentation?
- 20 A. I did.
- Q. Why was the fact that the termination for
- 22 convenience clause was not in the Power Purchase Agreement
- 23 not included in your presentation?
- A. I guess it was old news. May have been an omission
- 25 on my part.

- 1 Q. Had it ever been discussed in public that you are
- 2 aware of?
- 3 A. What was discussed in public?
- 4 O. The elimination of the termination for convenience
- 5 clause, as opposed to in private meetings with the individual
- 6 commissioners?
- 7 A. I never discussed it in public.
- 8 Q. Do you know --
- 9 A. But I didn't go to all meetings at all times.
- 10 MS. LaHART: Okay. I don't have any more questions,
- 11 but I think my client does, so I'm going to have to
- confer with her for a couple of minutes, and we can wrap
- this up.
- MS. WARATUKE: Okay. And just to save time, just,
- 15 you know, do you have a problem if Tim and I both clarify
- areas within the thing, or do you want us to compare
- 17 notes and just have one of us ask?
- 18 MS. LaHART: I would prefer you do that.
- MS. WARATUKE: Okay.
- 20 MS. LaHART: Just because I'm jealous that I don't
- get to have Akerman Senterfitt as my cocounsel.
- 22 MS. WARATUKE: Okay. Fair enough.
- 23 (Thereupon, a brief recess was taken.)
- 24 BY MS. LaHART:
- 25 Q. Just a couple more questions, Mr. Regan.

- 1 What did you do to prepare for your deposition
- 2 today?
- A. Well, gosh, seems like an awful long time ago I got
- 4 a copy of your, I guess, complaint.
- 5 O. Uh-huh.
- A. And Liz here had me come down and discuss what you
- 7 do in a deposition.
- 8 MS. WARATUKE: Okay. I'm just going to tell you
- 9 don't talk about anything specific that we discussed.
- MS. LaHART: He's not a GRU employee anymore.
- MS. WARATUKE: Well, he is a GRU employee whenever
- the events that occurred in this, so I'm still claiming
- 13 attorney-client privilege in this.
- So, I mean, he was high-ranking GRU whenever this
- all happened. As far as I'm concerned, that privilege
- 16 still carries with him, so don't go into anything
- 17 specifically that we discussed --
- 18 THE WITNESS: Okay.
- MS. WARATUKE: -- or that I might have shared with
- you, or so on and so forth.
- 21 BY MS. LaHART:
- 22 Q. Did you review any documents before -- in
- 23 preparation for your deposition?
- 24 A. I've looked at my notes.
- 25 Q. You looked at your notes from the --

- 1 A. I have this green notebook from when I was an
- 2 employee, which I believe they were copied and given to you
- 3 guys a long time ago.
- 4 MS. LaHART: That could be.
- 5 Okay. I have no more questions.
- 6 CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 7 BY MS. WARATUKE:
- 8 Q. I do have a couple of follow-up, Mr. Regan.
- 9 I'm going to ask you again to look at Exhibit 24,
- 10 because you misspoke whenever you answered the question.
- 11 Exhibit 24 is an e-mail from you to whom?
- 12 A. To Bob Hunzinger, John Stanton, Bachmeier, Richard
- 13 Bachmeier, Skip Manasco, and Jonathan Cole.
- 14 Q. Okay. Those --
- 15 A. That's the GRU --
- 16 O. Team?
- 17 A. Team.
- 18 Q. They are not the GREC team as you testified?
- 19 A. Did I say that?
- Q. You did.
- 21 A. I'm sorry.
- Q. In fact, that's the GRU team; is that correct?
- 23 A. That's the GRU team.
- 24 Q. Okay.
- 25 A. I apologize.

- 1 Q. Okay. And I think at another point, too, I'm not
- 2 sure it was made exactly clear, when you were talking about
- 3 e-mails going back and forth between you and Josh Levine,
- 4 was Josh Levine the primary contact from the GREC side?
- 5 A. Yes. But not for all issues. Sometimes they said,
- 6 okay, John and Len.
- 7 Q. Thank you.
- 8 You were asked a series of questions and shown a
- 9 series of e-mails between yourself and Mr. Haddad.
- 10 A. Right.
- 11 Q. Independent of the biomass contract, did you have
- 12 authority under city policies and procedures to contract with
- 13 experts who might provide you information that you need?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. Okay. And what was that authority up to?
- 16 A. \$25,000.
- 17 Q. Okay. Now, --
- 18 A. You meant spending authority?
- 19 O. Right.
- 20 A. Right.
- 21 Q. Okay. And when you got the information from
- 22 Mr. Haddad that you had asked him to evaluate for you, was
- 23 the information and the analysis that you got from Mr. Haddad
- 24 given to Mr. Hunzinger?
- 25 A. Yes.

- Q. Physically was your office close to Mr. Hunzinger's?
- 2 A. Yes. We were on the same floor. He was right down
- 3 the hall.
- 4 O. During the time in which the biomass Purchase Power
- 5 Agreement was being negotiated, would you pop in to see him
- 6 on issues that might arise or questions that you might have?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Would you also pick up the phone and call him?
- 9 A. Yes, and vice versa.
- 10 Q. Was it a fairly common occurrence during this time
- 11 period?
- 12 A. Yes. Sometimes he'd drop in on me.
- 13 Q. I'm going to ask you to go back and look at Exhibit
- 14 37.
- 15 Was it 37?
- 16 And you were asked a series of questions about
- 17 different items on this list and the status of those items.
- 18 One of them is some language in regard to gross negligence.
- 19 Do you see that item?
- 20 A. I do, No. 11.
- 21 Q. Okay. And in response you were asked -- you had
- 22 indicated that this was an issue that, quote, Skip had; is
- 23 that correct?
- A. Correct.
- Q. Do you have any personal knowledge as to what

- 1 discussions that Skip may have had with Mr. Hunzinger in
- 2 regard to this language?
- 3 A. Not -- no.
- 4 Q. Okay. You just know that, since it was a legal
- 5 issue, that that would have been within Skip's review?
- 6 A. Left it in Skip's capable hands.
- 7 Q. Do you have any knowledge to the effect that it was
- 8 Skip that made any decisions on that as opposed to
- 9 Mr. Hunzinger?
- 10 A. Skip's constant method of operation was to make
- 11 recommendations to Bob.
- 12 (Thereupon, brief discussion held off the record
- 13 between counsel.)
- MR. DEE: What are you looking for?
- MS. WARATUKE: Something that Tim just made a copy
- of. Is this it here?
- 17 Yes, it is. Okay.
- 18 MR. McDERMOTT: Yeah.
- MS. WARATUKE: Do you mind if we just make this the
- 20 next sequentially numbered exhibit and not start it as a
- 21 defendant's exhibit?
- MS. LaHART: That's fine.
- MS. WARATUKE: Okay. So the next exhibit number
- 24 would have been?
- 25 MR. DEE: 46.

- 1 MS. WARATUKE: 36?
- 2 MR. DEE: Forty. 46.
- THE COURT REPORTER: Wasn't 46 the PowerPoint
- 4 presentation?
- 5 MS. LaHART: Yes. Actually, it is.
- 6 MS. WARATUKE: It is.
- 7 MR. DEE: Excuse me.
- 8 MS. LaHART: So it would be 47.
- 9 MS. WARATUKE: Okay. So that's 47.
- THE WITNESS: Does somebody want this (indicating)?
- 11 MS. LaHART: The court reporter.
- 12 (Thereupon, Plaintiff's Exhibit 47 was marked for
- 13 Identification.)
- 14 BY MS. WARATUKE:
- 15 Q. Okay. I'm going to show you, Mr. Regan, what's been
- 16 marked as the next exhibit, which is Exhibit No. 47. This is
- 17 an e-mail from you to Bob Hunzinger dated May 14, 2008; is
- 18 that correct?
- 19 A. That's correct.
- Q. Okay. And in that e-mail you proposed to head up
- 21 the negotiating team for the contract. I would report to
- 22 John Stanton on this, with final authority resting in you.
- 23 Did you subsequently have a conversation with
- 24 Mr. Hunzinger between this e-mail, which is Exhibit 47, and
- 25 the e-mail that is out a few hours later, which is Exhibit

- 1 No. --
- 2 MR. McDERMOTT: Exhibit No. 22. It's part of 22.
- 3 BY MS. WARATUKE:
- 4 Q. Which is the e-mail that begins on page 2 of Exhibit
- 5 No. 22.
- 6 A. Dated May 14th?
- 7 O. Yes.
- 8 A. Okay.
- 9 Q. Can you look at the times?
- 10 A. Yep. Two hours difference.
- 11 Q. Okay. Did you have a conversation or a meeting with
- 12 Mr. Hunzinger between those two e-mails?
- 13 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And did you -- and at that time did you put
- 15 forth your recommendation as to how the teams should be set
- 16 up?
- 17 MS. LaHART: I'm going to object to the form of the
- 18 question. I've been letting you lead him through the
- nose, but this is getting a little ridiculous.
- 20 BY MS. WARATUKE:
- 21 Q. Okay. Did you have a meeting or a conversation with
- 22 Mr. Hunzinger in between the time of those two e-mails?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. And did you make a recommendation and have a
- 25 discussion with Mr. Hunzinger in regard to the process?

- A. Well, in the e-mail of May 14th, stamped 3:24 p.m.,
- 2 I suggested that a hierarchal relationship would be put into
- 3 place with me being supervised by John Stanton.
- 4 And Bob got back to me almost right away because we
- 5 knew we had a meeting coming up or something and we had to
- 6 get this figured out. And he says, "No, no, I don't want to
- 7 do it that way; I want you to be peers with different areas
- 8 of expertise."
- 9 Q. Okay. When you would go to Mr. Hunzinger, for
- 10 example, with the materials and the recommendations from
- 11 Mr. Haddad and you would talk to him about the information
- 12 that you had been provided by the consultants, did
- 13 Mr. Hunzinger appear to listen to the advice and
- 14 recommendations that you gave him?
- 15 MS. LaHART: Objection as to form.
- 16 BY MS. WARATUKE:
- 17 Q. Go ahead, answer.
- 18 A. Can you repeat the question? I got distracted by
- 19 the objection to form.
- 20 MR. McDERMOTT: Lynn, can you read it back?
- 21 THE WITNESS: Can you repeat the question?
- MS. WARATUKE: She's going to read it back.
- THE WITNESS: Oh, okay.
- MS. WARATUKE: So pay attention.
- 25 (Thereupon, the question referred to was read back

- 1 by the reporter.)
- THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 3 BY MS. WARATUKE:
- 4 Q. While you and others provided advice and
- 5 recommendation as to the terms of the Purchase Power
- 6 Agreement, who made the ultimate decision on the terms of the
- 7 Purchase Power Agreement?
- 8 A. That was Bob, the general manager.
- 9 Q. Was he at the -- all the face-to-face meetings that
- 10 you had with the people from GREC on the other side?
- 11 A. There were a few times when the answer is yes with
- 12 explanation.
- 0. Go ahead.
- 14 A. Every time that it was, I guess, what you might call
- 15 a big powwow where there was a couple of people from GREC and
- 16 a couple of people from our side, Bob was there.
- 17 There were times when Josh would be coming through
- 18 town and we would meet and do things or else maybe Len would
- 19 meet with some of the staff relating to the design of the
- 20 transmission system and stuff like that, but every time it
- 21 was a substantive conversation where decisions were going to
- 22 have to be made, yes, he was there.
- MS. WARATUKE: Okay.
- 24 (Thereupon, brief discussion held off the record
- 25 between counsel.)

- 1 MS. WARATUKE: Right. As soon as I find it mixed up
- 2 in all of this paperwork.
- 3 BY MR. WARATUKE:
- 4 Q. Okay. Mr. Regan, you were asked a question about a
- 5 summary of some, I guess, a summary of some notes that had
- 6 been taken at a meeting that occurred in Boston on or about
- 7 September 8th and 9th of 2008, and that is Exhibit No. --
- 8 that was Exhibit No. 3 to Mr. Stanton's deposition.
- 9 And you did testify to this, but let me ask you
- 10 again. You did not -- were not involved in taking the notes
- 11 from this; is that right?
- 12 A. I did not take the notes.
- Q. Okay. And you looked it over generally; is that
- 14 correct?
- 15 A. That's right.
- 16 Q. Now, I'm going to draw your attention specifically
- 17 to the second page of that document where it reads
- 18 "Termination Prior to Notice of Commencement," and I'm going
- 19 to read for the record underneath what it states.
- 20 And it says:
- 21 "Required by Commission action
- "Ed R: Once permits are obtained, we reach a
- 23 milestone called 'Notice of Commencement.' GRU City
- 24 Commission conditioned approval of moving forward with an
- option to terminate prior to or at the Notice of

- 1 Commencement. Regardless of chance that GRU would
- 2 exercise this, we need to have something in the contract
- 3 to address the issue."
- Is that -- is that accurate in its entirety?
- 5 MS. LaHART: Objection as to form.
- 6 A. Well, this is probably me speaking rough draft,
- 7 which I tend to do, but I was bringing up the issue of staff
- 8 had been instructed to negotiate what eventually I think
- 9 became called a termination for convenience.
- 10 Q. Is it accurate --
- 11 A. And so when I say "the conditioned approval of
- 12 moving forward with an option," that's not correct.
- 13 Q. Is the statement here "Required by commission
- 14 action" accurate as well?
- 15 A. That we were required to negotiate it, I would say
- 16 yes.
- 17 MS. WARATUKE: Okay. I don't have anything else.
- 18 MS. LaHART: I've got a couple of follow-up
- 19 questions.
- 20 REDIRECT EXAMINATION
- 21 BY MS. LaHART:
- 22 Q. I think your testimony is that you discussed the
- 23 information or you discussed Mr. Haddad's reports with
- 24 Mr. Hunzinger; is that correct?
- 25 A. That was my statement, yes.

- 1 What do I do with these (indicating)?
- 2 MS. WARATUKE: Nothing.
- 3 THE WITNESS: Okay. All right.
- 4 BY MS. LaHART:
- 5 Q. Did you give any confidential information to
- 6 Mr. Haddad?
- 7 A. I did.
- 8 Q. What category of information?
- 9 A. He had to look at the PPA.
- 10 Q. And what in the PPA was confidential?
- 11 A. Pricing, terms and conditions.
- 12 Q. It was GRU that paid for Mr. Haddad's reports,
- 13 correct?
- 14 A. That's correct.
- 15 Q. Do you recall whether there was anything in the
- 16 agreement between you -- between GRU and Mr. Haddad regarding
- 17 confidential information?
- 18 A. There's a standard contract, form of contract that
- 19 we use for these kinds of conditions, and it has to do with
- 20 ownership of information.
- 21 MS. LaHART: Nothing further.
- MS. WARATUKE: I don't have anything. We'll read,
- though.
- 24 THE WITNESS: I don't remember because I did -- can
- I elaborate on my answer?

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- 1 MS. WARATUKE: If you have to to make it complete.
- THE WITNESS: Yeah. I don't remember. I did a fair
- 3 number of NDAs.
- 4 BY MS. LaHART:
- 5 O. What's an NDA?
- 6 A. Nondisclosure agreements, because we were talking to
- 7 a couple of other utilities. I may have given one or had
- 8 GREC -- because they were between GREC and the other
- 9 counterparty. I don't remember if Fred actually wound up
- 10 executing one of those or not, but if he did, it would not
- 11 have been in my files.
- 12 MS. LaHART: Okay. Thank you.
- 13 (Thereupon, the deposition concluded at 4:00 p.m.)
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