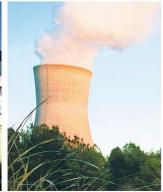
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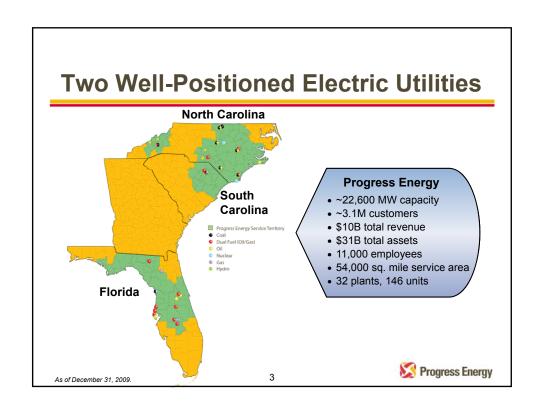
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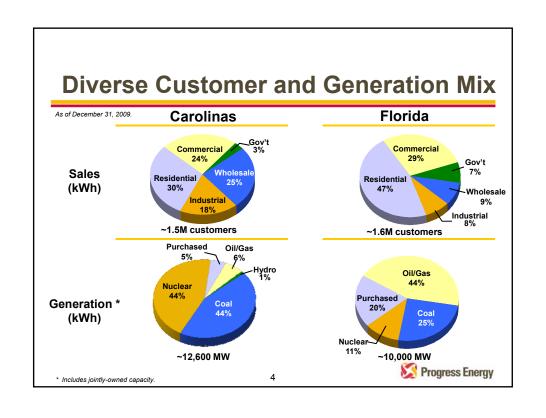
## **Major Discussion Topics**

- Company overview
- 2010 earnings drivers
- Capital expenditures and financing plan

Progress Energy

**Company Overview** 





### 2009 Milestones

#### **Progress Energy**

- Named to Dow Jones Sustainability Index for 5<sup>th</sup> year in a row
- Awarded \$200M matching Smart Grid grant from DOE thru American Recovery & Reinvestment Act
- Launched SunSense<sup>SM</sup>, a retail rooftop solar energy strategy with 100-MW target over next decade

#### Carolinas

#### Expanded long-term wholesale supply business thru 20-year contract extensions with NCEMC & Fayetteville

- Completed 1st phase of Clean Smokestacks Act emissions reductions
- Placed in service 157-MW CT at Wayne County Energy Complex
- Broke ground on 600-MW CCGT at Richmond County Energy Complex
- Announced coal-to-gas fleet modernization strategy
- Launched 8 new DSM & energy efficiency programs
- Surpassed 10 MW of solar purchased power contracts

#### Florida

- Installed and began operating low-NOx burners, SCR and FGD scrubber at Crystal River Unit 5
- Completed repowering of Bartow Plant from oil to natural gas, more than doubling generating capacity to 1,200 MW
- Received site-certification approval for Levy
- Completed nuclear cost recovery hearings
- · Received approval from FPSC:
  - > Interim rate relief for insufficient ROE
  - Limited rate relief for Bartow Repowering
  - Accounting order to defer 2009 pension expense
- Completed Florida base rate case



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### **Our Dual Approach to 2010**

### Manage the present

- · Excel in operating our system, serving customers and managing projects
- Achieve EPS target by effectively managing expenses, deploying capital and enhancing margin
- · Take appropriate steps to address FPSC rate decision
- · Successfully complete Crystal River 3 outage

#### Create the future

- Take next steps in building our Balanced Solution portfolio to meet customer needs and public policies while achieving our financial objectives
- Foster a more constructive Florida regulatory climate
- Achieve sustainable internal efficiency improvements of 3-5% each year
- · Ensure financial strength and flexibility



### Florida Regulatory Update

- Base rate case outcome
  - No rate increase beyond \$132M for Bartow Repowering
    - > 10.5% ROE +/- 100bps
    - > 46.74% regulatory equity (50.3% GAAP equity)
    - > \$6.3B retail rate base
  - Received FPSC written order on March 5, 2010
- Evaluating regulatory alternatives
  - · Reconsideration / appeal
  - Limited rate relief in 2010
  - · File another base rate case
- Levy County nuclear update
  - March 1 filing 2009 final true-up
  - May 1 filing 2010 true-up, 2011 projection & long-term feasibility



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# **Crystal River Unit 3 Extended Nuclear Outage**

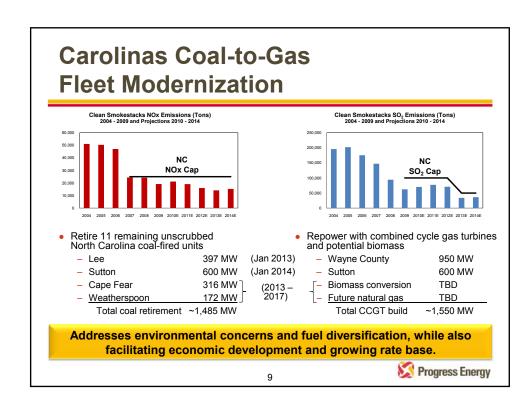
- Planned outage began Sept-09
  - Routine refueling & maintenance
  - Steam generator replacement (SGR)
  - Extended power uprate
- Containment delamination
  - SGR required 25' x 27' opening in containment wall
  - 42" thick concrete lined with 3/8" thick steel plate
  - Discovered crack in concrete
- Action plan
  - Informed NRC
  - Complete root cause analysis
  - · Begin repair work
  - Return to service by mid-2010
- Nuclear safety remains priority



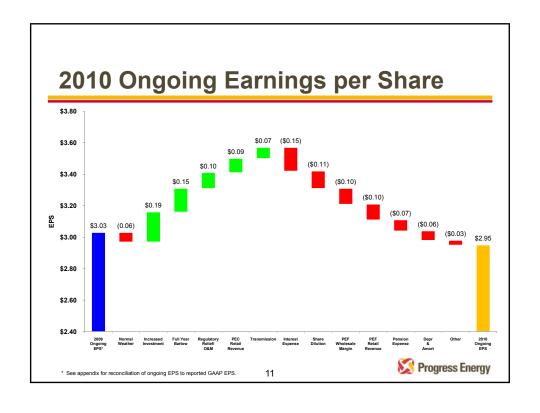
#### **Crystal River Unit 3 Nuclear Power Plant**

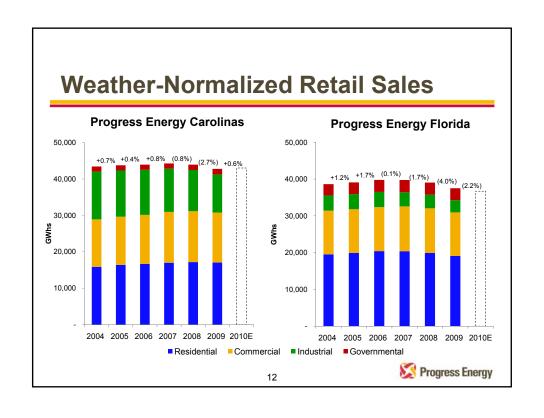
- · Citrus County, FL
- · 860-MW single unit
- · B&W pressurized water reactor
- Operator: PEF (91.78% ownership)

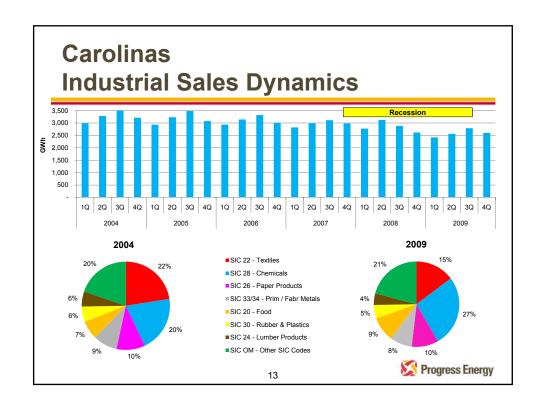


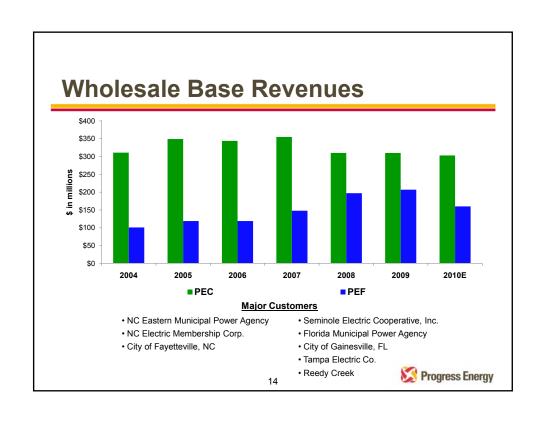


2010 Earnings Drivers





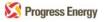


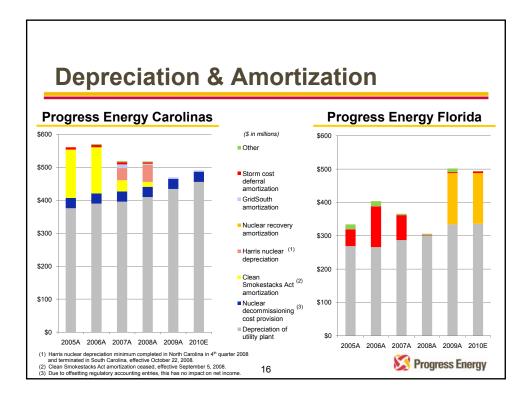


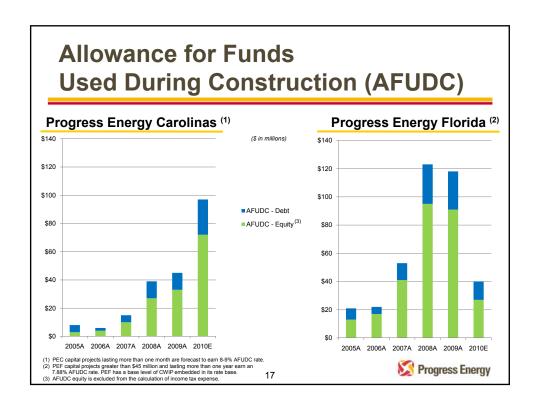
### **O&M Cost Management**

Adjusted O&M Reconciliation (A)	Years ended December 31,					
(in millions)	2007	Growth	2008	Growth	2009	
Reported GAAP O&M	\$1,842	-1.2%	\$1,820	4.1%	\$1,894	
Adjustments						
Carolinas						
O&M recoverable through clauses	(6)		(23)		(36)	
Timing of nuclear outages	(26)		-		-	
Litigation judgment	-		-		(3)	
Plant retirement charges	-		-		(28)	
Storm restoration expenses	-		-		(11)	
Florida						
Storm damage reserve	(47)		(66)		-	
Energy conservation cost recovery clause (ECCR)	(69)		(69)		(75)	
Environmental cost recovery clause (ECRC)	(55)		(31)		(87)	
Nuclear cost recovery	`-		-		(4)	
Sales and use tax audit adjustments	(7)		5		-	
Severance associated with Energy Delivery restructuring	-		(5)		-	
Vacation benefits policy change	-		-		11	
Adjusted O&M	\$1,632	-0.1%	\$1,631	(1.8%)	\$1,661	

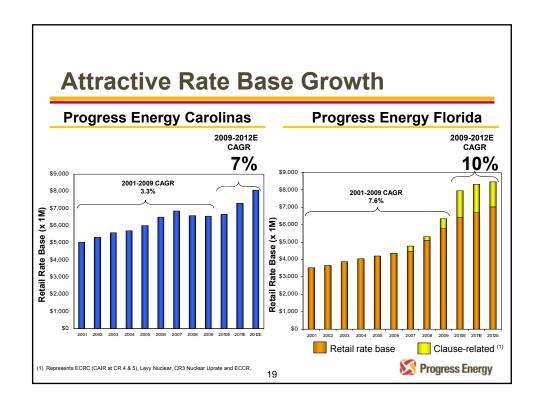
A - The preceding table provides a reconciliation of reported GAAP O&M to Adjusted O&M. Adjusted O&M excludes certain expenses that are recovered through cost-recovery clauses which have no material impact on earnings, as well as certain non-recurring items. Management believes this presentation is appropriate and enables investors to more accurately compare the company's O&M expense over the periods presented. Adjusted O&M as presented here may not be comparable to similarly titled measures used by other companies.







CapEx and Financing Plan



Major Capital Projects on Target						
(\$ in millions)	T	otal Project CapEx		lative Spent gh 12/31/09	Expected Completion Date	Recovery Methodology
Carolinas .						
Clean Smokestacks	\$	1,100M	\$	1,050M	2013	Amortized \$584M balance in rate bas
Richmond County CCGT (incl transmission)		600M		300M	June 2011	Rate Base
Smart Grid (DSDR) *		230M		55M	Dec. 2012	DSM/EE rider
Wayne County CCGT (incl transmission)		~800M		35M	Jan 2013	Rate Base
Sutton CCGT (incl transmission)		~600M		5M	Jan 2014	Rate Base
<u>Florida</u>						
Environmental	\$	1,200M	\$	1,065M	May 2010	Environmental Co Recovery Clause
CR3 steam generator replacement		245M		285M	By mid-2010	Rate Base
CR3 nuclear uprate		365M		210M	Dec. 2011	Nuclear Cost Recovery legislation
Smart Grid *		120M		-	Dec. 2012	Energy Conservation Cost Recovery **

### **Levy Nuclear Investment & Cost Recovery**

#### Levy Nuclear Investment Balance

	12/31/09
Nuclear Deferral at 12/31/08 per 10-K	\$181
2009 Retail Revenue Requirements	290
2009 FPSC-Approved Retail Revenue	(395)
2009 Partial Deferral	198
Nuclear Deferral at 12/31/09 per 10-K	274
Additional Under-recovery in Final True-up	4
Nuclear Cost Recovery Clause Under-recovery at 12/31/09	278
Capital Investment not yet reflected in Retail Rates	80
Total Eligible for Recovery in Retail Rates	358
Wholesale Jurisdiction Investment Balance	46
Total Unrecovered Investment per 10-K	\$404

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  (d) Recovery operated over a period not exceeding five years. \$37M is classified as a current regulatory asset, while the remaining \$239M classified as a long-term regulatory asset.

  (e) Docker No. 100009

  (f) Eligible for recovery in wholesale rates as items are placed in service.

#### **Levy Nuclear Cost Recovery**

	2009	2010E *
Preconstruction costs	\$118	\$106
M&O	3	4
Carrying charges	76	54
Amortization of deferral		37
Total nuclear clause revenue	\$197	\$201

<sup>\* 2010</sup> original projected revenue requirement components per Docket No. 090009-EL. Subject to change based on 2009/2010 actuals.



## **Projected Capital Expenditures** (1)

n millions)	2008A	2009A	2010E	2011E	2012E
Maintenance Capex					
Generation	\$298	\$463	\$510	\$440	\$430
PEC Environmental	114	37	20	40	50
Transmission	211	237	240	250	280
Distribution	94	121	150	140	150
Other	74	87	50	60	0
Total Maintenance Capex	791	945	970	930	910
Growth Capex					
Generation	373	428	660	720	400
PEF Environmental	564	301	110	0	50
Transmission	108	66	110	130	110
Distribution	268	218	280	300	300
Total Growth Capex	1,313	1,013	1,160	1,150	860
Corporate/other	22	7	30	30	30
Total Capital before Potential New Nuclear	2,126	1,965	2,160	2,110	1,800
Potential nuclear construction	168	291	100 - 150	60- 70	60 - 70
Total Capital Spending	\$2,294	\$2,256	\$2,260-2,310	\$2,170-2,180	\$1,860-1,870
Total PEC (excluding new nuclear)	736	822	1,330	1,350	1,170
Total DEE (excluding new nuclear)	1 369	1 136	800	730	600

(1) Excludes AFUDC, nuclear fuel and nuclear decommissioning trust funding.

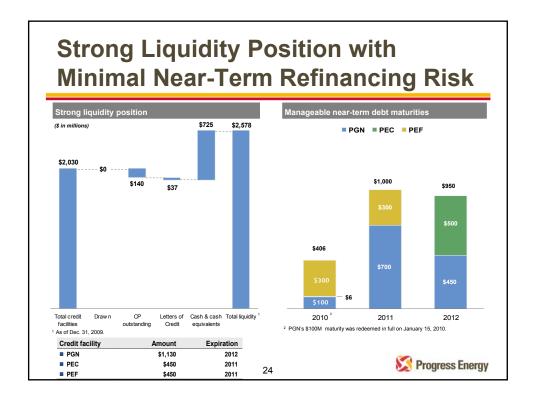


### **Projected Cash Flow**

(\$ in millions)	2009A	2010E
Operating cash flow	\$2,271	\$2,440
Capital expenditures excluding new nuclear	(1,965)	(2,160)
New nuclear (1)	(291)	(125)
Nuclear fuel and decommissioning trust	(250)	(280)
AFUDC debt	(39)	(30)
Common dividends	(693)	(710)
Free cash flow	\$(967)	\$(865)

<sup>1) 2010</sup> New nuclear is midpoint of range

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### 2010 Financing Plan

- Progress Energy, Inc.
  - Equity issuance of up to \$500M through Investor Plus Plan
  - Refinance remaining portion of \$700M maturity on March 1, 2011
- Progress Energy Carolinas
  - · Long-term debt issuance of approximately \$400M
- Progress Energy Florida
  - Refinance \$300M maturity on June 1, 2010
  - · Additional long-term debt of approximately \$300M



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### **Rating Agency Update**

- Fitch (1/12/10)
  - · Placed all ratings of PEF on Rating Watch Negative
  - · Action did not affect PGN or PEC
- S&P (1/14/10)
  - Placed long-term ratings of PGN, PEC and PEF on CreditWatch Negative
  - · Affirmed short-term ratings of all three entities
- Moody's (1/19/10)
  - Placed long-term ratings of PEF and all ratings of PGN on review for possible downgrade
  - · Affirmed ratings and stable outlook of PEC

Objective: Maintain investment-grade credit ratings

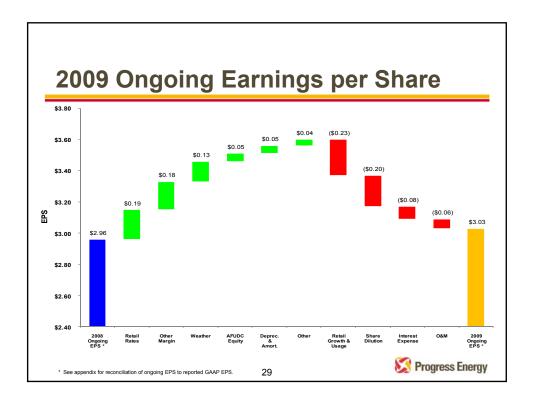


### **Progress Energy Value Drivers**

- · Attractive, sustainable dividend
- Future growth prospects
  - · Attractive service territories
  - · Economic recovery translates into top-line growth
  - Long-term contractual wholesale growth in Carolinas
- Fleet modernization strategy
  - Constructive approach to environmental compliance
  - · Substantial rate base growth opportunity
  - Stimulates economic development in regions

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**Appendix** 



### Reconciliation of Ongoing to GAAP Earnings

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### Progress Energy, Inc. Reconciliation of Ongoing Earnings per Share to Reported GAAP Earnings per Share

	Three Months En	ded December 31	<u>Years</u>	Years Ended December 31			
	2009	2008*	2009	2008*	2007*		
Ongoing earnings per share	\$0.50	\$0.47	\$3.03	\$2.96	\$2.71		
CVO mark-to-market	0.03	0.01	0.07	-	(0.01)		
Tax levelization	0.02	(0.03)	=	-	-		
Impairment	-	=	(0.01)	-	-		
Plant retirement charges	(0.05)	-	(0.06)	-	-		
Cumulative prior period adjustment related to certain employee life insurance benefits	(0.04)	-	(0.04)	-	-		
Valuation allowance	-	(0.01)	-	(0.01)	-		
Discontinued operations	0.09	(0.03)	(0.28)	0.22	(0.74)		
Reported GAAP earnings per share	\$0.55	\$0.41	\$2.71	\$3.17	\$1.96		
Shares outstanding (millions)	281	263	279	262	257		

Previously reported 2008 and 2007 earnings per share have been restated to reflect the adoption of new accounting guidance that changed the calculation of the number of average common shares outstanding.

### **Ongoing Earnings Adjustments**

Progress Energy's management uses ongoing earnings per share to evaluate the operations of the company and to establish goals for management and employees. Management believes this non-GAAP measure is appropriate for understanding the business and assessing our potential future performance, because excluded items are limited to those that we believe are not representative of our fundamental core earnings. Origing earnings as presented here may not be companied to similarly fitted measures used by other companies.

Progress Energy is not able to provide a corresponding GAAP equivalent for the 2010 earnings guidance figures due to the uncertain nature and amount of these adjustments.

Reconciling adjustments from ongoing earnings to GAAP earnings are as follows:

Contingent Value Obligation (CVO) Mark-to-Market
In connection with the acquisition of Florida Progress Corporation, Progress Energy issued 98.6 million CVOs. Each CVO represents the right of the holder to receive contingent
payments based on net afferts.acash flows above certain levels of four synthetic fuels facilities purchased by subsidiaries of Florida Progress Corporation in October 1999. The
CVO liability is valued at tair value, and unrealized gains and losses from changes in fair value are recognized in earnings each quarter. Progress Energy is unable to predict the
changes in the fair value of the CVOs, and management does not consider this adjustment to be representative of the company's ongoing earnings.

#### Tax Levelization

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Generally accepted accounting principles require companies to apply an effective tax rate to interim periods that is consistent with a company's estimated annual tax rate. The company projects the effective tax rate for the year and then, based upon projected operating income for each quarter, raises or lowers the tax expense recorded in that quarter to reflect the projected tax rate. The resulting tax adjustment has no impact on the company's annual earnings. Because this adjustment varies by quarter but has no impact on annual earnings, management does not consider this adjustment to be representative of the company's ongoing earnings.

#### Impairment

The company has recorded impairments of certain investments of its Affordable Housing portfolio. Management believes this adjustment is not representative of the company's ongoing earnings.

The company recognized charges for the impact of PEC's decision to retire certain coal-fired generating units, with resulting reduced emissions for compliance with the Clean Smokestacks Act's 2013 emission targets. Since the coal-fired generating units will be retired prior to their estimated useful lives, management does not consider these charges to be representative of the company's ongoing earnings.

#### Cumulative Prior Period Adjustment Related to Certain Employee Life Insurance Benefits

In the fourth quarter of 2009, PEC recorded a cumulative prior period adjustment related to certain employee life insurance benefits. Management believes this adjustment is not representative of the company's ongoing earnings.

Valuation Allowance and Related Net Operating Loss Carry Forward
Progress Energy previously recorded a deferred tax asset for a state net operating loss carry forward upon the sale of Progress Energy Ventures Inc.'s nonregulated generation
facilities and energy marketing and trading operations. In the fourth quarter of 2008, the company recorded an additional deferred tax asset related to the state net operating loss
carry forward due to a change in estimate based on 2007 tax return filings. The company also evaluated the total state net operating loss carry forward for potential impariment and
partially imparied it by recording a valuation allowance, which more than offset the change in estimate. Management does not believe this net valuation allowance is representative
of the ongoing operations of the company.



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