

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

**FORM 10-D**

**ASSET-BACKED ISSUER  
DISTRIBUTION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF  
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934  
For the semi-annual distribution period from  
Issuance to February 28, 2017**

Commission File Number	Registrant; State of Incorporation; Address; and Telephone Number	IRS Employer Identification No.
333-209196-01	<b>DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA PROJECT FINANCE, LLC</b> (Delaware) 299 First Avenue North, St. Petersburg, Florida 33701 704-382-3853	81-0977581
1-03274	<b>DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA, LLC</b> (Depositor and Sponsor) (Florida) 299 First Avenue North, St. Petersburg, Florida 33701 704-382-3853	59-0247770

Registered/reporting pursuant to (check one)

Title of class	Section 12(b)	Section 12(g)	Section 15(d)	Name of exchange (If Section 12(b))
Series A 2018 Senior Secured Bonds	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	_____
Series A 2021 Senior Secured Bonds	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	_____
Series A 2026 Senior Secured Bonds	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	_____
Series A 2032 Senior Secured Bonds	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	_____
Series A 2035 Senior Secured Bonds	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	_____

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes  No

## **PART I – DISTRIBUTION INFORMATION**

### **Item 1. Distribution and Pool Performance Information.**

The response to Item 1 is set forth in part herein and in part in Exhibit 99.1.

The record date for distributions described in Exhibit 99.1 is February 28, 2017.

Introductory and explanatory information regarding the material terms, parties, and distributions described in Exhibit 99.1 is included in the Prospectus dated June 15, 2016, of Duke Energy Florida Project Finance, LLC (Issuing Entity) relating to the Series A Senior Secured Bonds (Bonds) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b)(1) of the Securities Act of 1933 on June 17, 2016.

As indicated in Exhibit 99.1, all required interest and scheduled principal payments on the Bonds have been made with respect to the March 1, 2017, distribution date.

### **The following Items have been omitted pursuant to General Instruction C of Form 10-D:**

- Item 1A. Asset-Level Information.
- Item 1B. Asset Representations Reviewer and Investor Communication.

## **PART II – OTHER INFORMATION**

### **Item 2. Legal Proceedings.**

On February 22, 2016, a lawsuit was filed in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida on behalf of a putative class of Duke Energy Florida's and Florida Power & Light Company's (FP&L) customers in Florida. The suit alleges the State of Florida's nuclear power plant cost recovery statutes (NCRS) are unconstitutional and pre-empted by federal law. Plaintiffs claim they are entitled to repayment of all money paid by customers of Duke Energy Florida and FP&L as a result of the NCRS, as well as an injunction against any future charges under those statutes. The constitutionality of the NCRS has been challenged unsuccessfully in a number of prior cases on alternative grounds. Duke Energy Florida and FP&L filed motions to dismiss the complaint on May 5, 2016. On September 21, 2016, the Court granted the motions to dismiss with prejudice. Plaintiffs filed a motion for reconsideration, which was denied. On January 4, 2017, plaintiffs filed a notice of appeal. Duke Energy Florida cannot predict the outcome of this appeal. Even if all of the plaintiffs' requests for relief in this lawsuit are granted, there would be no impact on nuclear asset-recovery charges imposed by Duke Energy Florida or on the bonds.

### **Item 3. Sale of Securities and Use of Proceeds.**

None.

### **The following Items have been omitted pursuant to General Instruction C of Form 10-D:**

- Item 4. Defaults Upon Senior Securities.
- Item 5. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.
- Item 6. Significant Obligors of Pool Assets.
- Item 7. Change in Sponsor Interest in the Securities.
- Item 8. Significant Enhancement Provider Information.

### **Item 9. Other Information.**

None.

### **Item 10. Exhibits.**

(a) and (b) See Exhibit Index included as the last part of this report, which is incorporated herein by reference.

## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

Date: March 15, 2017

**DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA PROJECT FINANCE, LLC**  
**(Issuing Entity)**

By: Duke Energy Florida, LLC, as Servicer

By: \_\_\_\_\_ /s/ William E. Currens Jr.

William E. Currens Jr.

Senior Vice President, Chief Accounting Officer and Controller

## EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibits filed herewithin are designated by an asterisk (\*). All exhibits not so designated are incorporated by reference to a prior filing, as indicated.

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
3.1	Certificate of Formation of Duke Energy Florida Project Finance, LLC (filed with the Registration Statement on Form SF-1 of Duke Energy Florida, LLC (File No. 333-209196) on January 29, 2016)
3.2	Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of Duke Energy Project Finance, LLC dated and effective as of June 10, 2016 (Form 8-K filed June 17, 2016)
4.1	Indenture, dated as of June 22, 2016, by and between Duke Energy Florida Project Finance, LLC and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as Indenture Trustee and Securities Intermediary (Form 8-K filed June 17, 2016)
10.1	Nuclear Asset-Recovery Property Servicing Agreement, dated as of June 22, 2016, by and between Duke Energy Florida Project Finance, LLC and Duke Energy Florida, LLC (Form 8-K filed June 22, 2016)
10.2	Nuclear Asset-Recovery Property Purchase and Sale Agreement, dated as of June 22, 2016, by and between Duke Energy Florida Project Finance, LLC and Duke Energy Florida, LLC (Form 8-K filed June 22, 2016)
10.3	Administration Agreement, dated as of June 22, 2016, by and between Duke Energy Florida Project Finance, LLC and Duke Energy Florida, LLC (Form 8-K filed June 22, 2016)
*99.1	Semi-annual Servicer's Certificate relating to the Bonds, dated February 21, 2017

## SEMI-ANNUAL SERVICER'S CERTIFICATE

Pursuant to Section 4.01(c)(ii) of the Nuclear Asset-Recovery Property Servicing Agreement, dated as of June 22, 2016 (Servicing Agreement), by and between **DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA, LLC**, as servicer (Servicer), and **Duke Energy Florida Project Finance, LLC**, the Servicer does hereby certify, for the March 1, 2017, Payment Date (Current Payment Date), as follows:

Capitalized terms used but not defined herein have their respective meanings as set forth in the Servicing Agreement. References herein to certain sections and subsections are references to the respective sections of the Servicing Agreement or the Indenture, as the context indicates.

**Collection Periods:** Issuance to February 28, 2017

**Payment Date:** March 1, 2017

1.	Collections Allocable and Aggregate Amounts Available for the Current Payment Date:				
i.	Remittances for the	July 2016	Collection Period	\$	1,897,418
ii.	Remittances for the	August 2016	Collection Period		10,102,941
iii.	Remittances for the	September 2016	Collection Period		10,349,761
iv.	Remittances for the	October 2016	Collection Period		8,243,612
v.	Remittances for the	November 2016	Collection Period		9,792,938
vi.	Remittances for the	December 2016	Collection Period		5,798,933
vii.	Remittances for the	January 2017	Collection Period		6,675,298
viii.	Remittances for the	February 2017	Collection Period		6,633,092
ix.	Investment Earnings on Capital Subaccount				8,457
x.	Investment Earnings on Excess Funds Subaccount				—
xi.	Investment Earnings on General Subaccount				49,505
xii.	<b>General Subaccount Balance (sum of i through xi above)</b>			<b>\$</b>	<b>59,551,955</b>
xiii.	Excess Funds Subaccount Balance as of prior Payment Date				—
xiv.	Capital Subaccount Balance as of prior Payment Date				6,471,450
xv.	<b>Collection Account Balance (sum of xii through xiv above)</b>			<b>\$</b>	<b>66,023,405</b>
2.	Outstanding Amounts of as of prior Payment Date:				
i.	Series A	2018	Outstanding Amount	\$	183,000,000
ii.	Series A	2021	Outstanding Amount		150,000,000
iii.	Series A	2026	Outstanding Amount		436,000,000
iv.	Series A	2032	Outstanding Amount		250,000,000
v.	Series A	2035	Outstanding Amount		275,290,000
vi.	<b>Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all Series A Bonds</b>			<b>\$</b>	<b>1,294,290,000</b>
3.	Required Funding/Payments as of Current Payment Date:				
	<b>Principal</b>				<b>Principal Due</b>
i.	Series A	2018		\$	35,700,000
ii.	Series A	2021			—
iii.	Series A	2026			—
iv.	Series A	2032			—
v.	Series A	2035			—
vi.	<b>All Series A Bonds</b>			<b>\$</b>	<b>35,700,000</b>

**Interest**

<b>WAL</b>	<b>Interest Rate</b>	<b>Days in Interest Period</b>	<b>Principal Balance</b>	<b>Interest Due</b>
v. Series A 2018	1.196%	249	\$ 183,000,000	\$ 1,513,837
vi. Series A 2021	1.731%	249	150,000,000	1,795,913
vii. Series A 2026	2.538%	249	436,000,000	7,653,762
viii. Series A 2032	2.858%	249	250,000,000	4,941,958
ix. Series A 2035	3.112%	249	275,290,000	5,925,525
<b>x. All Series A Bonds</b>				<b>\$ 21,830,995</b>
			<b>Required Level</b>	<b>Funding Required</b>
xi. Capital Account			\$ 6,471,450.00	\$ —
4. Allocation of Remittances as of Current Payment Date Pursuant to 8.02(e) of Indenture:				
i. Trustee Fees and Expenses; Indemnity Amounts				\$ —
ii. Servicing Fee				447,609
iii. Administration Fee				34,583
iv. Operating Expenses				40,958
Series A Bonds		Aggregate	Per \$1,000 of Original Principal Amount	
v. Semi-Annual Interest (including any past-due for prior periods)				<b>\$ 21,830,995</b>
1. Series A 2018		\$ 1,513,837	\$ 8.27	
2. Series A 2021		1,795,913	11.97	
3. Series A 2026		7,653,762	17.55	
4. Series A 2032		4,941,958	19.77	
5. Series A 2035		5,925,525	21.52	
vi. Principal Due and Payable as a Result of an Event of Default or on Final Maturity Date				<b>\$ —</b>
1. Series A 2018		\$ —	\$ —	
2. Series A 2021		—	—	
3. Series A 2026		—	—	
4. Series A 2032		—	—	
5. Series A 2035		—	—	
vii. Semi-Annual Principal				<b>\$ 35,700,000</b>
1. Series A 2018		\$ 35,700,000	\$ 195.08	
2. Series A 2021		—	—	
3. Series A 2026		—	—	
4. Series A 2032		—	—	
5. Series A 2035		—	—	
viii. Other unpaid Operating Expenses				\$ —
ix. Funding of Capital Subaccount (to required level)				—
x. Capital Subaccount Return to Duke Energy Florida				139,296
xi. Deposit to Excess Funds Subaccount				1,358,514
xii. Released to Issuer upon Retirement of all Series Bonds				—
<b>xiii. Aggregate Remittances as of Current Payment Date</b>				<b>\$ 59,551,955</b>

5.	Outstanding Amount and Collection Account Balance as of Current Payment Date (after giving effect to payments to be made on such Payment Date):		
i.	Series A 2018	\$	147,300,000
ii.	Series A 2021		150,000,000
iii.	Series A 2026		436,000,000
iv.	Series A 2032		250,000,000
v.	Series A 2035		275,290,000
vi.	<b>Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all Series A Bonds</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,258,590,000</b>
vii.	Excess Funds Subaccount Balance		1,358,513
viii.	Capital Subaccount Balances		6,471,450
ix.	<b>Aggregate Collection Account Balance</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>7,829,963</b>
6.	Subaccount Withdrawals as of Current Payment Date (if applicable, pursuant to Section 8.02(e) of Indenture):		
i.	Excess Funds Subaccount	\$	—
ii.	Capital Subaccount		—
iii.	<b>Total Withdrawals</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>—</b>
7.	Shortfalls in Interest and Principal Payments as of Current Payment Date:		
i.	Semi-annual Interest		
	Series A 2018	\$	—
	Series A 2021		—
	Series A 2026		—
	Series A 2032		—
	Series A 2035		—
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>—</b>
ii.	Semi-annual Principal		
	Series A 2018	\$	—
	Series A 2021		—
	Series A 2026		—
	Series A 2032		—
	Series A 2035		—
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>—</b>
8.	Shortfalls in Payment of Return on Invested Capital as of Current Payment Date:		
i.	Return on Invested Capital	\$	—
9.	Shortfalls in Required Subaccount Levels as of Current Payment Date:		
i.	Capital Subaccount	\$	—

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has duly executed and delivered this Semi-Annual Servicer's Certificate.

Date: February 21, 2017

**DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA, LLC,**  
**as Servicer**

By: \_\_\_\_\_ /s/ David Doss  
David Doss  
Director, Electric Utilities and Infrastructure