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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

x QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2015

Or

" TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Commission file number 1-15759

CLECO CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Louisiana

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or

organization)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

2030 Donahue Ferry Road, Pineville, Louisiana 71360-5226 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (318) 484-7400

Commission file number 1-05663

CLECO POWER LLC

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Louisiana

72-0244480

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

organization)

2030 Donahue Ferry Road, Pineville, Louisiana 71360-5226 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (318) 484-7400

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrants: (1) have 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 Registrants were required to file such reports) and (2) have been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes x No "

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrants have submitted electronically and posted on their corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the Registrants were required to submit and post such files). Yes x No "

Indicate by check mark whether Cleco Corporation is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer x Accelerated filer " Non-accelerated filer " (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) Smaller reporting company "

Indicate by check mark whether Cleco Power LLC is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer " Accelerated filer " Non-accelerated filer x (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) Smaller reporting company "

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrants are shell companies (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act) Yes." No x

Number of shares outstanding of each of Cleco Corporation's classes of Common Stock, as of the latest practicable date.

Registrant Description of Class Shares Outstanding October 21, 2015

Cleco Corporation Common Stock, \$1.00 Par Value 60,482,051

Cleco Power LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Cleco Corporation, meets the conditions set forth in General Instructions H(1)(a) and (b) of Form 10-Q and is therefore filing this Form 10-Q with the reduced disclosure format.

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This Combined Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q is separately filed by Cleco Corporation and Cleco Power. Information in this filing relating to Cleco Power is filed by Cleco Corporation and separately by Cleco Power on its own behalf. Cleco Power makes no representation as to information relating to Cleco Corporation (except as it may relate to Cleco Power) or any other affiliate or subsidiary of Cleco Corporation.

This report should be read in its entirety as it pertains to each respective Registrant. The Notes to the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements are combined.

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GLOSSARY OF TERMS

References in this filing, including all items in Parts I and II, to "Cleco" mean Cleco Corporation and its subsidiaries, including Cleco Power, and references to "Cleco Power" mean Cleco Power LLC and its subsidiaries, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise. Additional abbreviations or acronyms used in this filing, including all items in Parts I and II, are defined below.

ABBREVIATION OR

ACRONYM DEFINITION

401(k) Plan Cleco Power 401(k) Savings and Investment Plan

ABR Alternate Base Rate which is the greater of the prime rate, the federal funds effective rate

plus 0.50%, or the LIBOR plus 1.0%

Acadia Power Partners, LLC, previously a wholly owned subsidiary of Midstream. Acadia

Power Partners, LLC was dissolved effective August 29, 2014.

Acadia Unit 1 Cleco Power's 580-MW, combined cycle, natural gas-fired power plant located at the

Acadia Power Station in Eunice, Louisiana

Acadia Unit 2 Entergy Louisiana's 580-MW, combined cycle, natural gas-fired power plant located at the

Acadia Power Station in Eunice, Louisiana, which is operated by Cleco Power

AFUDC Allowance for Funds Used During Construction

ALJ Administrative Law Judge

Amended Lignite Mining

Agreement

Cleco Partners

Amended and restated lignite mining agreement effective December 29, 2009

AMI Advanced Metering Infrastructure

AOCI Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)

ARO Asset Retirement Obligation

ARRA American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, an economic stimulus package passed

by Congress in February 2009

Attala Transmission LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Cleco Corporation
Brame Energy Center A facility consisting of Nesbitt Unit 1, Rodemacher Unit 2, and Madison Unit 3

CCR Coal combustion by-products or residual

CERCLA The Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 Cleco Katrina/Rita Hurricane Recovery Funding LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Cleco

Cleco Katrina/Rita Power

Cleco Partners L.P., a Delaware limited partnership that prior to the closing of the Merger

will be owned by a consortium of investors, including funds or investment vehicles managed by Macquarie Infrastructure and Real Assets, British Columbia Investment

Management Corporation, John Hancock Financial, and other infrastructure investors. Cleco Power's 775-MW, combined-cycle, natural gas-fired power plant located in St.

Coughlin

Coughlin

Landry, Louisiana. Coughlin was transferred to Cleco Power on March 15, 2014.

CSAPR The Cross-State Air Pollution Rule

DHLC Dolet Hills Lignite Company, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of SWEPCO Diversified Lands Diversified Lands LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Cleco Corporation

Dodd-Frank Act

The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, signed into law on

July 21, 2010

Dolet Hills A 650-MW lignite/natural gas generating unit at Cleco Power's plant site in Mansfield,

Louisiana. Cleco Power has a 50% ownership interest in the capacity of Dolet Hills.

EAC Environmental Adjustment Clause

EGU Electric Generating Unit

Entergy Gulf States Entergy Gulf States Louisiana, L.L.C.

Entergy Louisiana Entergy Louisiana, LLC Entergy Mississippi Entergy Mississippi, Inc.

EPA U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

ESPP Cleco Corporation Employee Stock Purchase Plan

Evangeline Cleco Evangeline LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Midstream

FAC Fuel Adjustment Clause

FASB Financial Accounting Standards Board FERC Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

FTR Financial Transmission Right

FRP Formula Rate Plan

GAAP Generally Accepted Accounting Principles in the U.S.
GO Zone Gulf Opportunity Zone Act of 2005 (Public Law 109-135)

Interconnection One of two Interconnection and Real Estate Agreements, one between Attala and Entergy

Agreement Mississippi, and the other between Perryville and Entergy Louisiana

IRS Internal Revenue Service

kWh Kilowatt-hour(s)

LIBOR London Inter-Bank Offer Rate
LMP Locational Marginal Price

LPSC Louisiana Public Service Commission

LTICP Cleco Corporation Long-Term Incentive Compensation Plan

Madison Unit 3 A 600-MW solid-fuel generating unit at Cleco Power's plant site in Boyce, Louisiana

MATS Mercury and Air Toxics Standards

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ABBREVIATION OR

ACRONYM DEFINITION

Merger of Merger Sub with and into Cleco Corporation pursuant to the terms of the

Merger Agreement

Merger Agreement Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of October 17, 2014, by and among Cleco

Partners, Merger Sub, and Cleco Corporation

Merger Sub Cleco Merger Sub, Inc., a Louisiana corporation and an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary

of Cleco Partners

Midstream Cleco Midstream Resources LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Cleco Corporation

MISO Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. Moody's Moody's Investors Service, a credit rating agency

MW Megawatt(s) MWh Megawatt-hour(s)

NERC North American Electric Reliability Corporation

NMTC New Markets Tax Credit

NMTC Fund USB NMTC Fund 2008-1 LLC was formed to invest in projects qualifying for New

Markets Tax Credits and Solar Projects

NO_v Nitrogen oxides

Oxbow Lignite Company, LLC, 50% owned by Cleco Power and 50% owned by

SWEPCO

Perryville Perryville Energy Partners, L.L.C., a wholly owned subsidiary of Cleco Corporation

PPA Power Purchase Agreement

ppb Parts per billion

PRP Potentially Responsible Party

Registrant(s) Cleco Corporation and/or Cleco Power

A 523-MW coal/natural gas generating unit at Cleco Power's plant site in Boyce,

Rodemacher Unit 2 Louisiana. Cleco Power has a 30% ownership interest in the capacity of Rodemacher Unit

2.

ROE Return on Equity

RTO Regional Transmission Organization

S&P Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, a credit rating agency

SEC Securities and Exchange Commission

SERP Cleco Corporation Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan

SO₂ Sulfur dioxide

Support Group Cleco Support Group LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Cleco Corporation

SWEPCO Southwestern Electric Power Company, an electric utility subsidiary of American Electric

Power Company, Inc.

VaR Value-at-Risk

VIE Variable Interest Entity

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CAUTIONARY NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Combined Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q includes "forward-looking statements" about future events, circumstances, and results. All statements other than statements of historical fact included in this Combined Quarterly Report are forward-looking statements, including, without limitation, results of the Merger; future capital expenditures; projections, including with respect to base revenue; business strategies; goals, beliefs, plans and objectives; competitive strengths; market developments; development and operation of facilities; growth in sales volume; meeting capacity requirements; expansion of service to existing customers and service to new customers; future environmental regulations and remediation liabilities; electric customer credits; and the anticipated outcome of various regulatory and legal proceedings. Although the Registrants believe that the expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements are reasonable, such forward-looking statements are based on numerous assumptions (some of which may prove to be incorrect) and are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause the actual results to differ materially from the Registrants' expectations. In addition to any assumptions and other factors referred to specifically in connection with these forward-looking statements, the following list identifies some of the factors that could cause the Registrants' actual results to differ materially from those contemplated in any of the Registrants' forward-looking statements:

certain risks and uncertainties associated with the merger of an indirect, wholly-owned subsidiary of Cleco Partners with and into Cleco Corporation including, without limitation:

the occurrence of any event, change, or other circumstance that could give rise to the termination of the Merger Agreement or could otherwise cause the failure of the Merger to close;

the failure to obtain regulatory approvals required for the Merger, or required regulatory approvals delaying the Merger or causing the parties to abandon the Merger;

the failure to obtain any financing necessary to complete the Merger;

risks related to disruption of management's attention from Cleco's ongoing business operations due to the Merger; the outcome of any legal proceeding, regulatory proceeding, or enforcement matter that may be instituted against Cleco and others relating to the Merger;

the risk that the pendency of the Merger disrupts current plans and operations and the potential difficulties in employee retention as a result of the pendency of the Merger;

the effect of the Merger on Cleco's relationships with its customers, operating results, and business;

the amount of the costs, fees, expenses, and charges related to the Merger;

the receipt of an unsolicited offer from another party to acquire assets or capital stock of Cleco Corporation that could interfere with the Merger; and

future regulatory or legislative actions that could adversely affect Cleco's participation in the Merger.

regulatory factors such as changes in rate-setting practices or policies, the unpredictability in political actions of governmental regulatory bodies, adverse regulatory ratemaking actions, recovery of investments made under traditional regulation, recovery of storm restoration costs, the frequency, timing, and amount of rate increases or decreases, the impact that rate cases or requests for FRP extensions may have on operating decisions of Cleco Power, the results of periodic NERC and LPSC audits, participation in MISO and the related operating challenges and uncertainties, including increased wholesale competition relative to more suppliers, and compliance with the Electric Reliability Organization reliability standards for bulk power systems by Cleco Power,

the ability to recover fuel costs through the FAC,

factors affecting utility operations, such as unusual weather conditions or other natural phenomena; catastrophic weather-related damage caused by hurricanes and other storms or severe drought conditions; unscheduled generation outages; unanticipated maintenance or repairs; unanticipated changes to fuel costs, fuel supply costs, or availability constraints due to higher demand, shortages, transportation problems, or other developments; fuel mix of Cleco's

generating facilities; decreased customer load; environmental incidents and compliance costs; and power transmission system constraints,

reliance on third parties for determination of Cleco Power's commitments and obligations to markets for generation resources and reliance on third-party transmission services,

global and domestic economic conditions, including the ability of customers to continue paying utility bills, related growth and/or down-sizing of businesses in Cleco's service area, monetary fluctuations, changes in commodity prices, and inflation rates,

the ability of the Dolet Hills lignite reserve to provide sufficient fuel to the Dolet Hills Power Station until at least 2036,

Cleco Power's ability to maintain its right to sell wholesale generation at market-based rates within its control area, Cleco Power's dependence on energy from sources other than its facilities and future sources of such additional energy,

reliability of Cleco Power's generating facilities,

the imposition of energy efficiency requirements or increased conservation efforts of customers,

the impact of current or future environmental laws and regulations, including those related to CCRs, greenhouse gases, and energy efficiency that could limit or terminate the operation of certain generating units, increase costs, or reduce customer demand for electricity,

the ability of Cleco Power to recover from its customers the costs of compliance with environmental laws and regulations,

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financial or regulatory accounting principles or policies imposed by FASB, the SEC, FERC, the LPSC, or similar entities with regulatory or accounting oversight,

changing market conditions and a variety of other factors associated with physical energy, financial transactions, and energy service activities, including, but not limited to, price, basis, credit, liquidity, volatility, capacity, transmission, interest rates, and warranty risks,

legal, environmental, and regulatory delays and other obstacles associated with acquisitions, reorganizations, investments in joint ventures, or other capital projects,

costs and other effects of legal and administrative proceedings, settlements, investigations, claims, and other matters, the availability and use of alternative sources of energy and technologies, such as wind, solar, and distributed generation,

changes in federal, state, or local laws (including tax laws), changes in tax rates, disallowances of tax positions, or changes in other regulating policies that may result in a change to tax benefits or expenses,

Cleco Corporation's holding company structure and its dependence on the earnings, dividends, or distributions from its subsidiaries to meet its debt obligations and pay dividends on its common stock,

acts of terrorism, cyber attacks, data security breaches or other attempts to disrupt Cleco's business or the business of third parties, or other man-made disasters,

nonperformance by and creditworthiness of the guarantor counterparty of the NMTC Fund, credit ratings of Cleco Corporation and Cleco Power, ability to remain in compliance with debt covenants,

• availability or cost of capital resulting from changes in global markets, Cleco's business or financial condition, interest rates, or market perceptions of the electric utility industry and energy-related industries, and employee work force factors, including work stoppages, aging workforce, and changes in key executives.

For more discussion of these factors and other factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those contemplated in the Registrants' forward-looking statements,

please read "Risk Factors" in this report and in the Registrants' Combined Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2014.

All subsequent written and oral forward-looking statements attributable to the Registrants, or persons acting on their behalf, are expressly qualified in their entirety by the factors identified above.

The Registrants undertake no obligation to update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of changes in actual results, changes in assumptions, or other factors affecting such statements.

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PART I — FINANCIAL INFORMATION

ITEM 1. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)

Cleco Corporation

These unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements should be read in conjunction with Cleco Corporation's Consolidated Financial Statements and Notes included in the Registrants' Combined Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2014. For more information on the basis of presentation, see "Notes to the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements — Note 1 — Summary of Significant Accounting Policies — Basis of Presentation."

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Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income (Unaudited)

Condensed Consortation Statements of Moorne (Chaudicea)	FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPT. 30,			
(THOUSANDS, EXCEPT SHARE AND PER SHARE AMOUNTS)	2015		2014	
Operating revenue				
Electric operations	\$325,994		\$352,763	
Other operations	19,937		19,497	
Gross operating revenue	345,931		372,260	
Electric customer credits	(463)	(874)
Operating revenue, net	345,468		371,386	
Operating expenses				
Fuel used for electric generation	105,052		104,463	
Power purchased for utility customers	31,544		63,024	
Other operations	33,021		29,851	
Maintenance	20,183		20,558	
Depreciation	39,120		37,834	
Taxes other than income taxes	13,145		7,273	
Merger transaction costs	831		1,141	
Total operating expenses	242,896		264,144	
Operating income	102,572		107,242	
Interest income	346		416	
Allowance for equity funds used during construction	660		631	
Other income	162		848	
Other expense	(2,723)	(685)
Interest charges				
Interest charges, including amortization of debt expense, premium, and discount, net	18,781		13,375	
Allowance for borrowed funds used during construction	(188)	(200)
Total interest charges	18,593		13,175	
Income before income taxes	82,424		95,277	
Federal and state income tax expense	27,761		24,442	
Net income applicable to common stock	\$54,663		\$70,835	
Basic average number of common shares outstanding	60,481,584		60,372,569)
Diluted average number of common shares outstanding	60,793,391		60,689,596	5
Basic earnings per average common share	\$0.90		\$1.17	
Diluted earnings per average common share	\$0.90		\$1.17	
Dividends declared per share of common stock	\$0.40		\$0.40	
The accompanying notes are an integral part of the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.				

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Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income (Unaudited)

	FOR THE THREE		
	MONTHS ENDED		
	SEPT. 30,		
(THOUSANDS)	2015	2014	
Net income	\$54,663	\$70,835	
Other comprehensive income, net of tax			
Postretirement benefits gain (net of tax expense of \$366 in 2015 and \$199 in 2014)		318	
Net gain on cash flow hedges (net of tax expense of \$33 in 2015 and 2014)	53	53	
Total other comprehensive income, net of tax	639	371	
Comprehensive income, net of tax		\$71,206	
The accompanying notes are an integral part of the Condensed Consolidated Financial			
Statements.			

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Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income (Unaudited)

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income (Chaudited)	FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPT. 30,			
(THOUSANDS, EXCEPT SHARE AND PER SHARE AMOUNTS)	2015		2014	
Operating revenue				
Electric operations	\$880,169		\$939,519	
Other operations	53,472		48,878	
Gross operating revenue	933,641		988,397	
Electric customer credits	(3,642)	(23,555)
Operating revenue, net	929,999		964,842	
Operating expenses				
Fuel used for electric generation	277,187		220,206	
Power purchased for utility customers	109,758		197,141	
Other operations	93,018		85,568	
Maintenance	60,700		79,173	
Depreciation	112,866		117,145	
Taxes other than income taxes	38,734		32,946	
Merger transaction costs	2,561		1,506	
Gain on sale of assets	_		(145)
Total operating expenses	694,824		733,540	
Operating income	235,175		231,302	
Interest income	734		1,369	
Allowance for equity funds used during construction	2,197		4,291	
Other income	1,279		4,314	
Other expense	(3,494)	(1,727)
Interest charges				
Interest charges, including amortization of debt expense, premium, and discount, net	59,264		54,767	
Allowance for borrowed funds used during construction	(640)	(1,259)
Total interest charges	58,624		53,508	
Income before income taxes	177,267		186,041	
Federal and state income tax expense	65,448		52,649	
Net income applicable to common stock	\$111,819		\$133,392	
Basic average number of common shares outstanding	60,474,228	3	60,410,122	2
Diluted average number of common shares outstanding	60,759,939)	60,711,543	3
Basic earnings per average common share	\$1.85		\$2.21	
Diluted earnings per average common share	\$1.84		\$2.20	
Dividends declared per share of common stock	\$1.20		\$1.1625	
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Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income (Unaudited)

	FOR THE NINE	
	MONTHS ENDED	
	SEPT. 30,	
(THOUSANDS)	2015	2014
Net income		\$133,392
Other comprehensive income, net of tax		
Postretirement benefits gain (net of tax expense of \$1,158 in 2015 and \$1,001 in 2014)		1,600
Net gain on cash flow hedges (net of tax expense of \$99 in 2015 and 2014)		159
Total other comprehensive income, net of tax	2,010	1,759
Comprehensive income, net of tax		\$135,151
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Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (Unaudited)		
(THOUSANDS)	AT SEPT.	AT DEC.
	30, 2015	31, 2014
Assets		
Current assets	¢ 17 220	¢ 4.4.400
Cash and cash equivalents	\$17,329	\$44,423
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	3,702	8,986
Customer accounts receivable (less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$2,081 in 2015 and	¹ 61,503	41,500
\$922 in 2014)		20,000
Other accounts receivable	21,264	28,098
Unbilled revenue	40,494	38,475
Fuel inventory, at average cost	62,251	64,747
Material and supplies inventory, at average cost	77,041	71,124
Energy risk management assets	14,563	10,776
Accumulated deferred federal and state income taxes, net	26,083	76,785
Accumulated deferred fuel	18,662	21,554
Cash surrender value of company-/trust-owned life insurance policies	71,480	71,167
Prepayments	7,161	10,284
Regulatory assets	14,497	12,212
Other current assets	3,237	473
Total current assets	439,267	500,604
Property, plant, and equipment	4.616.000	4.500.060
Property, plant, and equipment	4,616,808	4,508,960
Accumulated depreciation	(1,512,711)	
Net property, plant, and equipment	3,104,097	3,066,000
Construction work in progress	76,971	99,458
Total property, plant, and equipment, net	3,181,068	3,165,458
Equity investment in investees	16,380	14,540
Prepayments	4,355	4,891
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	15,878	15,130
Regulatory assets - deferred taxes, net	236,341	234,370
Regulatory assets	287,031	311,867
Net investment in direct financing lease	13,473	13,498
Intangible asset	78,608	90,642
Tax credit fund investment, net	8,488	7,251
Other deferred charges	24,460	20,822
Total assets	\$4,305,349	\$4,379,073
The accompanying notes are an integral part of the Condensed Consolidated Financial		

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Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (Unaudited)		
(THOUSANDS)	AT SEPT.	AT DEC.
Liabilities and shareholders' equity	30, 2015	31, 2014
Liabilities Liabilities		
Current liabilities		
Long-term debt due within one year	\$19,382	\$18,272
Accounts payable	85,198	127,268
Customer deposits	54,910	53,411
Provision for rate refund	4,164	2,264
Taxes payable	28,282	2,197
Interest accrued	21,909	8,669
Energy risk management liabilities	488	827
Regulatory liabilities - other	468	312
Deferred compensation	9,975	11,374
Other current liabilities	16,014	13,176
Total current liabilities	240,790	237,770
Long-term liabilities and deferred credits	- ,	- · , · · ·
Accumulated deferred federal and state income taxes, net	936,170	918,858
Accumulated deferred investment tax credits	3,474	4,161
Postretirement benefit obligations	205,084	197,623
Regulatory liabilities - other		312
Restricted storm reserve	15,859	14,916
Other deferred credits	25,005	28,510
Total long-term liabilities and deferred credits	1,185,592	1,164,380
Long-term debt, net	1,207,217	1,349,653
Total liabilities	2,633,599	2,751,803
Commitments and Contingencies (Note 11)		
Shareholders' equity		
Common shareholders' equity		
Common stock, \$1 par value, authorized 100,000,000 shares, issued 61,058,918 and		
61,051,286 shares and outstanding 60,482,051 and 60,421,467 shares at September 30,	61,059	61,051
2015, and December 31, 2014, respectively		
Premium on common stock	417,022	415,482
Retained earnings	1,247,506	1,208,712
Treasury stock, at cost, 576,867 and 629,819 shares at September 30, 2015, and December	r (23,182)	(25.210
31, 2014, respectively	(23,182)	(25,310)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(30,655)	(32,665)
Total common shareholders' equity	1,671,750	1,627,270
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$4,305,349	\$4,379,073
The accompanying notes are an integral part of the Condensed Consolidated Financial		
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Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Unaudited)

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Chaudited)		
	FOR THE	
	MONTHS ENDED	
	SEPT. 30,	
(THOUSANDS)	2015	2014
Operating activities		
Net income	\$111,819	\$133,392
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	117,831	124,515
Unearned compensation expense	4,819	4,974
Allowance for equity funds used during construction	(2,197) (4,291)
Net deferred income taxes	62,871	51,584
Deferred fuel costs	1,010	(23,908)
Cash surrender value of company-/trust-owned life insurance	2,258	(2,854)
Changes in assets and liabilities:	,	,
Accounts receivable	(24,890) (19,666)
Unbilled revenue	(2,019) (18,245
Fuel, materials and supplies inventory	(3,422) 505
Prepayments	3,659	2,544
Accounts payable	(32,248) (14,767
Customer deposits	9,357	11,979
Postretirement benefit obligations	10,430	6,501
Regulatory assets and liabilities, net	13,858	(2,881)
Other deferred accounts	(8,029) (17,006
Taxes accrued	24,878	969
Interest accrued	13,115	9,381
Other operating	904	2,830
Net cash provided by operating activities	304,004	245,556
Investing activities	301,001	210,000
Additions to property, plant, and equipment	(116,678) (160,181)
Allowance for equity funds used during construction	2,197	4,291
Return of investment in company-owned life insurance		1,303
Premiums paid on company-/trust-owned life insurance	(2,571) (2,831
Contributions to equity investment in investee	(1,840) (2,031)
Return of equity investment in tax credit fund	1,649	1,541
Contributions to tax credit fund	(4,091) (36,252
Transfers of cash from (to) restricted accounts, net	4,536	(4,989)
Sale of restricted investments	,550 	11,138
Maturity of restricted investments	<u> </u>	1,458
Other investing	602	(413)
Net cash used in investing activities	(116,196) (184,935
Financing activities	(110,170) (104,755)
Draws on credit facilities	108,000	189,000
Payments on credit facilities	(147,000) (167,000
Repayment of long-term debt	(100,824) (14,876
repayment of long-term deor	(100,624) (17,070)

Repurchase of common stock	_	(12,449)
Dividends paid on common stock	(73,076) (70,879)
Other financing	(2,002) (1,863)
Net cash used in financing activities	(214,902) (78,067)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(27,094) (17,446)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	44,423	28,656	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$17,329	\$11,210	
Supplementary cash flow information			
Interest paid, net of amount capitalized	\$42,201	\$42,536	
Income taxes paid, net		\$15,321	
Supplementary non-cash investing and financing activities			
Accrued additions to property, plant, and equipment	\$4,869	\$10,777	
Issuance of common stock – ESPP		\$220	
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Condensed Consolidated Statements of Changes in Common Shareholders' Equity (Unaudited)

	COMMON	STOCK	TREASUR STOCK	ĽΥ	PREMIUM ON	I RETAINED		TOTAL	
(THOUSANDS, EXCEPT SHARE AMOUNTS)	SHARES	AMOUN	ΓSHARES	COST		NEARNINGS	AOCI	SHAREHOL EQUITY	DERS'
Balances, Dec. 31, 2014	61,051,286	\$61,051	(629,819)	\$(25,310)	\$ 415,482	\$1,208,712	\$(32,665)	\$ 1,627,270	
Common stock issued for compensatory plans	7,632	8	52,952	2,128	1,540	_	_	3,676	
Dividends on common stock, \$1.20 per share	_	_	_	_	_	(73,025)	_	(73,025)
Net income	_	_	_	_	_	111,819	_	111,819	
Other comprehensive income, net of tax	_	_	_	_	_	_	2,010	2,010	
Balances, Sept. 30, 2015						\$1,247,506	\$(30,655)	\$ 1,671,750	
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ITEM 1. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)

Cleco Power

These unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements should be read in conjunction with Cleco Power's Consolidated Financial Statements and Notes included in the Registrants' Combined Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2014. For more information on the basis of presentation, see "Notes to the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements — Note 1 — Summary of Significant Accounting Policies — Basis of Presentation."

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Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income (Unaudited)

	FOR THE THREE		
	MONTHS ENDED		
	SEPT. 30,		
(THOUSANDS)	2015	2014	
Operating revenue			
Electric operations	\$325,994	\$352,763	
Other operations	19,418	18,957	
Affiliate revenue	240	332	
Gross operating revenue	345,652	372,052	
Electric customer credits	(463) (874)
Operating revenue, net	345,189	371,178	
Operating expenses			
Fuel used for electric generation	105,052	104,463	
Power purchased for utility customers	31,544	63,024	
Other operations	33,639	30,816	
Maintenance	19,932	19,926	
Depreciation	38,376	37,518	
Taxes other than income taxes	12,680	7,128	
Total operating expenses	241,223	262,875	
Operating income	103,966	108,303	
Interest income	303	398	
Allowance for equity funds used during construction	660	631	
Other income	223	476	
Other expense	(544) (684)
Interest charges			
Interest charges, including amortization of debt expense, premium, and discount, net	18,497	14,686	
Allowance for borrowed funds used during construction	(188) (200)
Total interest charges	18,309	14,486	
Income before income taxes	86,299	94,638	
Federal and state income tax expense	27,638	29,094	
Net income	\$58,661	\$65,544	
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Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income (Unaudited)

	FOR THE THREE		
	MONTHS ENDED		
	SEPT. 30,		
(THOUSANDS)	2015	2014	
Net income	\$58,661	\$65,544	
Other comprehensive income, net of tax			
Postretirement benefits gain (net of tax expense of \$138 in 2015 and \$58 in 2014)		92	
Net gain on cash flow hedges (net of tax expense of \$33 in 2015 and 2014)	53	53	
Total other comprehensive income, net of tax	271	145	
Comprehensive income, net of tax	\$58,932	\$65,689	
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Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income (Unaudited)

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	FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED		
(THOUGANDS)	SEPT. 30, 2015	2014	
(THOUSANDS) Operating revenue	2013	2014	
Electric operations	\$880,169	\$939,519)
Other operations	51,913	47,256	,
Affiliate revenue	904	998	
Gross operating revenue	932,986	987,773	`
Electric customer credits	(3,642) (23,555)
Operating revenue, net	929,344	964,218	
Operating expenses	277 107	220.206	
Fuel used for electric generation	277,187	220,206	
Power purchased for utility customers	109,758	202,608	
Other operations	93,770	85,279	
Maintenance	60,106	76,386	
Depreciation	111,485	115,016	
Taxes other than income taxes	37,159	31,197	
Total operating expenses	689,465	730,692	
Operating income	239,879	233,526	
Interest income	607	1,349	
Allowance for equity funds used during construction	2,197	4,291	
Other income	1,521	1,228	
Other expense	(1,606) (1,625)
Interest charges			
Interest charges, including amortization of debt expense, premium, and discount, net	58,252	56,144	
Allowance for borrowed funds used during construction	(640) (1,259)
Total interest charges	57,612	54,885	
Income before income taxes	184,986	183,884	
Federal and state income tax expense	65,906	59,375	
Net income	\$119,080	\$124,509)
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