

**Exhibit 12(a)****FPL GROUP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES  
COMPUTATION OF RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES**

	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2002 (millions)
Earnings, as defined:	
Income before cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle	\$ 566
Income taxes	199
Fixed charges, included in the determination of net income, as below	244
Amortization of capitalized interest	1
Distributed income of independent power investments	55
Less: Equity in earnings of equity method investees	<u>51</u>
Total earnings, as defined	<u>\$ 1,014</u>
Fixed charges, as defined:	
Interest charges	\$ 234
Rental interest factor	8
Fixed charges included in nuclear fuel cost	<u>2</u>
Fixed charges, included in the determination of net income	244
Capitalized interest	<u>65</u>
Total fixed charges, as defined	<u>\$ 309</u>
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges	<u>3.28</u>