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## **Re:** Docket No. 20170215-EU – Review of electric utility hurricane preparedness and restoration actions.

Dear Mr. Taylor:

Enclosed please find Kissimmee Utility Authority's Responses to Staff's Second Data Request. Please note that our responses are in red.

Sincerely,

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### STAFF'S SECOND DATA REQUEST

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# **Re:** Docket No. 20170215-EU - Review of electric utility hurricane preparedness and restoration actions.

To Whom It May Concern:

By this letter, the Commission staff requests that each utility provide responses to the following data requests.

### **Underground Facilities**

1. For each year, please complete the following tables summarizing the number of miles of transmission and distribution underground facilities by county from 2006 through 2017.

Note: This information reflects the actual miles of cable installed. It is not presented in circuit miles.

Transmission			
Osceola County			
Year	<b>Overhead to Underground</b>	<b>New Construction</b>	<b>Total Miles</b>
2006	0	0	0
2007	0	0	0

2008	0	30.65	30.65
2009	0	0	0
2010	0	0	0
2011	0	0	0
2012	0	0	0
2013	0	0	0
2014	0	0	0
2015	0	0	0
2016	0.42	0	0.42
2017	0	0	0

Distribution			
Osceola County			
Year	<b>Overhead to Underground</b>	<b>New Construction</b>	Total Miles
2006	0	113.09	113.09
2007	6.36	66.97	73.33
2008	13.48	77.31	90.79
2009	16.63	4.49	21.12
2010	2.05	39.01	41.06
2011	1.97	91.09	93.06
2012	0.28	37.17	37.45
2013	0.91	38.01	38.92
2014	4.55	44.06	48.61
2015	5.61	81.57	87.18
2016	0.02	53.68	53.70
2017	5.56	79.99	85.55

#### **Forensic Data**

2. For Hurricanes Hermine, Matthew, Irma, Maria, and Nate, please provide a complete copy of the utility's post-storm forensic review of damaged infrastructure. If a forensic review was not

performed or not documented, please explain why.

KUA did not perform a post-storm forensic review following the storms that impacted its service area. While KUA did incur some damage to its infrastructure during Hurricanes Matthew and Irma, it was primarily due to vegetation. If the damage to the infrastructure had been more substantial or facilities failed below the design criteria, KUA would have performed a thorough forensic review.

### Coordination

3. For Hurricanes Hermine, Matthew, Irma, Maria, and Nate, please provide the name, frequency, and description of non-Emergency Operations Centers related coordination efforts with local governments before, during, and after restoration, including the following.

KUA is owned by the City of Kissimmee, which is the local government for most of KUA's service area. KUA routinely coordinates and works with both the City of Kissimmee and Osceola County during storm events. KUA also has representation at the county EOC where it coordinates with all local governments in the area.

4. Please complete the following tables on county and state Emergency Operations Centers

Staffing for County Emergency Operations Centers			
	Number of	Function	<b>Total Man-Hours</b>
	<b>Utility Personnel</b>		
Hurricane Hermine	-	None	-
Hurricane Matthew	2	KUA representation,	29
		coordination &	
		communication	
Hurricane Irma	7	KUA representation,	91
		coordination &	
		communication	
Hurricane Maria	-	None	-
Hurricane Nate	-	None	-
Total	9		120

staffing for Hurricanes Hermine, Matthew, Irma, Maria, and Nate.

Staffing for State Emergency Operations Center			
	Number of Utility	Function	Total Man-Hours
	Personnel		
Hurricane Hermine	None	None	None
Hurricane Matthew	None	None	None
Hurricane Irma	None	None	None
Hurricane Maria	None	None	None
Hurricane Nate	None	None	None
Total	-		-

#### Solar

5. Please provide the following information for utility interconnections with customer-owned solar generation that did not operate as designed and consistent with the tariff during the extreme weather events that occurred in 2015 through 2017.

KUA is not aware of any customer-owned solar generation that did not operate as designed. Operations staff did not encounter any solar generation that back-fed onto the KUA distribution system during restoration.

- a. The number of failures.
- b. A description of the cause or causes of such failures.
- c. Possible failure remediation and associated cost.
- d. Discuss whether the failures contributed to an increase or decrease in the utility's service restoration time and, if possible, provide an estimate of the duration impact.
- e. Discuss whether the failures contributed to an increase or decrease in the utility's service restoration costs and, if possible, provide an estimate of the restoration cost impact.
- 6. Please provide the following information for utility interconnections with customer-owned solar generation that operated as designed and consistent with the tariff during the extreme weather events that occurred in 2015 through 2017.
  - a. Discuss whether these interconnections contributed to an increase or decrease in the utility's service restoration time and, if possible, provide an estimate of the duration impact.

KUA is not aware of any solar generation interconnections that impacted KUA's service restoration time.

b. Discuss whether these interconnections increased or decreased the utility's service restoration costs and, if possible, provide an estimate of the restoration cost impact.

KUA is not aware of any solar generation interconnections that impacted KUA's service restoration time.

7. Without compromising safety, are there changes to the utility's interconnection with customer-owned solar generation that would enable the customer's facilities to be energized by its solar generation should the utility be unable to provide electric service due to a future storm damaging utility infrastructure?

Customers' ability to generate during an outage is based on the design of their individual system. KUA is aware of different types of PV system invertors being able to isolate from different potentials in their design. However, without modifying a customer owned system safely, KUA is not aware of anything a utility can do to facilitate such operation system-wide.

- a. If yes, please provide the following information:
  - Please describe the suggested changes to the utility's interconnection.
  - If the utility is not pursuing the interconnection changes please explain why.
- 8. Without compromising safety, please describe potential changes to a customer's facilities that the customer can implement to enable the customer's facilities to be energized by its solar generation should the utility be unable to provide electric service due to a future storm event that damages utility infrastructure. Include in your response whether the utility makes it a practice to inform the customer of such options.

The customer needs to have an inverter that can convert from the grid that is tied to stand alone operation and battery storage. KUA provides information about its net metering program on its website.

9. Without compromising safety, please describe any potential changes to rules or tariffs pertaining to utility interconnections with customer-owned solar generation that would enable the customer's facilities to be energized by its solar generation should the utility be unable to provide electric service due to a future storm event that damages utility infrastructure.

Customers with adequate storage capabilities might be able to energize their facilities through customer-owned solar generation. KUA does not see existing tariffs as a barrier to deployment of such technologies. However, for safety purposes, any applicable tariff should require customers utilizing storage and customer-owned solar generation to make sure the local electric utility provider knows that its facilities are energized, notwithstanding outages in the surrounding area.

10. Please provide the following information for utility interconnections with utility-scale solar generation that did not operate as designed during the extreme weather events that occurred

in 2015 through 2017.

KUA did not operate any utility-scale solar generation during this date range.

- a. The number of failures.
- b. A description of the cause or causes of such failures.
- c. Possible failure remediation and associated cost.
- d. Discuss whether the failures contributed to an increase or decrease in the utility's service restoration time and, if possible, provide an estimate of the duration impact.
- e. Discuss whether the failures contributed to an increase or decrease in the utility's service restoration costs and, if possible, provide an estimate of the restoration cost impact.
- Please provide the following information for utility interconnections with utility-scale solar generation that operated as designed during the extreme weather events that occurred in 2015 through 2017. See Answer to 10. above.
  - Discuss whether these interconnections contributed to an increase or decrease in the utility's service restoration time and, if possible, provide an estimate of the duration impact.

 Discuss whether these interconnections increased or decreased the utility's service restoration costs and, if possible, provide an estimate of the restoration cost impact.

Please file all responses electronically no later than January 18, 2018 from the Commission's website at <u>www.floridapsc.com</u>, by selecting the **Clerk's Office** tab and **Electronic Filing Web Form**. Please contact me at <u>wtaylor@psc.state.fl.us</u> or at 850.413.6175 if you have any legal questions, or contact Emily Knoblauch for technical questions at <u>eknoblau@psc.state.fl.us</u> or at 850.413.6632.

Sincerely,

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