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Review of electric utility hurricane preparedness and restoration actions. Florida Public Service Commission Docket No. 20170215-EU January 30, 2018

### This document submitted on behalf of:

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The answers to the Florida Public Service Commission Data Request, Docket No. 20170215 are incorporated into the staff's attached letter.

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## **Public Service Commission**

January 19, 2018

#### **STAFF'S THIRD DATA REQUEST** *Via E-mail*

To:

Municipal Group (<u>AZubaly@publicpower.com</u>) Lee County (<u>dennie.hamilton@lcec.net</u>) Cooperative Group (<u>mhershel@feca.com</u>)

# **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.

- 1. Please provide the following information for a specific example where storm hardened structures incurred damage and required repair or replacement due to Hurricane Irma.
  - a. A description of the damage incurred (i.e. broken pole, displaced underground vault, etc.).

### **Response:**

Leesburg Electric did not sustain any damage to storm hardened structures requiring repairs or replacements due to Hurricane Irma.

b. A description of the repair process, including a description of any temporary repairs that required a follow-up trip.

### **Response:**

Leesburg Electric did not sustain any damage to storm hardened structures requiring repairs or replacements due to Hurricane Irma. Therefore, no temporary repairs or follow-up trips were necessary.

c. A description of the repair process if the facilities had not been hardened.

### **Response:**

Leesburg Electric sends out damage assessment crews to document damage to its facilities. This assessment documentation is reviewed and evaluated by the Electric Superintendent and the Service Planner Department. If a facility is deemed not to have been hardened prior to the storm, the Service Planner Department creates a job to have the facility replaced with materials that meet the NESC Code for storm hardening. Once the job and materials have been obtained, a line crew is dispatched to make the repairs.

Leesburg Electric did sustain damage to several poles that were not hardened. In discussions with FEMA, we were advised of a program that would help to offset the cost of hardening the distribution system by installing underground facilities. We are currently waiting for a response from FEMA on the status of Leesburg Electric's request to utilize this program to harden our distribution system.

Please file all responses electronically no later than February 19, 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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