## BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

**DOCKET NO: 060173-EU** 

IN RE: PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO RULES REGARDING OVERHEAD ELECTRIC FACILITIES TO ALLOW MORE STRINGENT CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS THAN REQUIRED BY NATIONAL ELECTRIC SAFETY CODE

## NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT

TO

## ALL INTERESTED PERSONS

ISSUED: April 27, 2006

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 120.54, Florida Statutes, that the Florida Public Service Commission staff has initiated the development of Rule 25-6.034, Florida Administrative Code, to amend provisions relating to Standard of Construction; Rule 25-6.0345, Florida Administrative Code, to amend provisions relating to Safety Standards For Construction Of New Transmission And Distribution Facilities; Rule 25-6.064, Florida Administrative Code, to amend provisions relating to Extension of Facilities and Installation of New or Upgraded facilities; Contribution in Aid of Construction; Rule 25-6.078, Florida Administrative Code, to amend provisions relating to Schedule of Charges; and Rule 25-6.115, Florida Administrative Code, to amend provisions relating to Facility Charges for Providing Underground Facilities of Public Distribution Facilities Excluding New Residential Subdivisions.

The attached Notice of Proposed Rule Development will appear in the May 5, 2006, edition of the Florida Administrative Weekly. A rule development workshop will be held at the following time and place:

Florida Public Service Commission 9:30 a.m., May 19, 2006 Betty Easley Conference Center Room 148, 4075 Esplanade Way Tallahassee, Florida

One or more Commissioners may be in attendance at the staff workshop.

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Any person requiring some accommodation at this workshop because of a physical impairment should call the Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services at (850) 413-6770 at least 48 hours prior to the hearing. Any person who is hearing or speech impaired should contact the Florida Public Service Commission using the Florida Relay Service, which can be reached at: 1-800-955-8771 (TDD).

By DIRECTION of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 27th day of April, 2006.

BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Director (Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services

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RULE TITLE:	RULE NO.:
STANDARD OF CONSTRUCTION	25-6.034
SAFETY STANDARDS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF NEW TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION FACILITIES	25-6.0345
EXTENSION OF FACILITIES AND INSTALLATION OF NEW OR UPGRADED FACILITIES; CONTRIBUTION IN AID OF CONSTRUCTION	25-6.064
SCHEDULE OF CHARGES	25-6.078
FACILITY CHARGES FOR PROVIDING UNDERGROUND FACILITIES OF PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION FACILITIES EXCLUDING NEW RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISIONS	25-6.115

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: To amend rules to require utilities to meet higher standards for the construction of overhead electrical transmission and distribution facilities to better withstand the effects of extreme weather events, including the establishment of appropriate standards and procedures to assure that third-party facilities attached to electric distribution poles and use of third-party poles do not impair the safety of workers or the public, do not impair electric system reliability, do not exceed pole capacity, and are constructed, installed, maintained, and operated in accordance with generally accepted engineering practices.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Strengthening of overhead electrical transmission and distribution infrastructure to address the effects of extreme weather events, the safety of workers and the public, electric system reliability, maximum pole capacity, and generally accepted engineering practices.

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SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: 350.127(2); 366.04; 366.04(2)(f); 366.05(1).

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 366.03; 366.04; 366.04(2)(f); 366.04(6); 366.041(1)(4); 366.05;

366.05(1); 366.06(1).

A RULE DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP WILL BE HELD AT THE TIME, DATE, AND PLACE SHOWN BELOW:

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THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE

DEVELOPMENT IS: Larry D. Harris, Associate General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, Florida Public Service Commission, 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd., Tallahassee, FL 32399-0862, (850) 413-6076.

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS AVAILABLE AT NO CHARGE FROM THE CONTACT PERSON LISTED ABOVE.