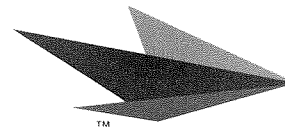


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RE: Docket No. 060512-EI, Embarq's Reply Comments

Dear Ms. Bayó:

Embarq Florida, Inc. ("Embarq"), in accordance with Order No. PSC-06-0793-PCO-EI, files through this letter its Reply Comments to the Florida Electric Cooperatives Association's (FECA's) Supplemental Comments filed on September 15, 2006.

As Embarq understands FECA's alternative proposal, the revised rule would require municipal electric utilities and rural electric cooperatives to report to the Commission concerning actions taken by those utilities to storm harden their facilities. Embarq does not object to the alternative rule proposed by FECA in its supplemental comments, as long as the rule is not construed in any way as a mandate by the Commission that municipal electric utilities or rural electric cooperative utilities implement any specific construction or attachment standards.

Sincerely,

Susan S. Masterton

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