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b. Docket Nos. 060172-EU and 060173-EU

In re: Proposed Rules Governing Placement of New Electric Distribution Facilities Underground, and Conversion of Existing Overhead Distribution Facilities to Underground Facilities, to Address Effects of Extreme Weather Events and In re: Proposed Amendments to Rules Regarding Overhead Electric Facilities to Allow More Stringent Construction Standards Than Required by National Electric Safety Code.

- c. Document being filed on behalf of the City of Panama City Beach, Florida.
- d. There are a total of 3 pages.
- e. The document attached for electronic filing is the City of Panama City Beach, Florida's Notice of Intent to Participate in Rulemaking Dockets 060172-EU and 060173-EU.

(see attached file: PCB.NoticeOfIntent.oct19.pdf)

Thank you for your attention and assistance in this matter.

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Re: Notice of Intent to Participate in Rulemaking Docket No. 060172-EU, Proposed Rules for Underground Distribution Facilities, and Docket No. 060173-EI, Proposed Rules Regarding Overhead Electric Distribution Construction Standards

Dear Ms. Bayo,

Please accept this letter as notice of the City of Panama City Beach's intent to participate as a party in PSC Docket No. 060172-EU, In Re: Proposed Rules Governing Placement of New Electric Distribution Facilities Underground, and Conversion of Existing Overhead Distribution Facilities To Underground Facilities, To Address Effects of Extreme Weather Events, and in PSC Docket No. 060173-EU, In Re: Proposed Amendments to Rules Regarding Overhead Electric Facilities To Allow More Stringent Construction Standards Than Required by the National Electrical Safety Code. The City of Panama City Beach ("City") has been actively considering underground conversion projects that would be directly affected by the Commission's rules, as those rules will determine the Contributions in Aid of Construction for overhead-to-underground conversion projects. Accordingly, the City's interests will be affected - indeed, substantially affected - by the Commission's actions in these proceedings, and the City is thus entitled to participate herein as a party.

All notices, pleadings, orders, correspondence, and other documents filed or submitted in this rulemaking proceeding should be directed to the City's representatives as follows:

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The Commission and Florida's utilities have recognized the potential benefits of undergrounding electric distribution facilities, and the Commission has moved forward with these proceedings toward strengthening Florida's electric distribution infrastructure. The City has reviewed the Commission's proposed rules and supports them. Although the Commission has made significant progress in these proceedings, and the City hopes that the proposed rules will become effective forthwith, the City is asking now to participate in these dockets to lend its support to the Commission's proposals and to be an active participant in the event that these dockets continue in unforeseen ways.

Requested Commission Action

The City of Panama City Beach, Florida respectfully requests the Florida Public Service Commission to recognize the City as a party to these rulemaking proceedings, and to provide the City's representatives identified above with copies of all notices, orders, correspondence, pleadings, and other documents filed herein. Thank you very much for your assistance with this matter. If you have any questions, or if I can provide any additional information, please give me a call.

Cordially yours,

Robert Scheffel Willht

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