## **Charlie Smith**

From: Office of Commissioner Clark
Sent: Tuesday, June 18, 2024 4:39 PM
To: Commissioner Correspondence

**Subject:** FW: Reconductoring

## Good afternoon,

Please place the attached email in Docket No. 20240000. Thank you!

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Dear Commissioner Clark,

I urge you to incentivize utilities to upgrade outdated power lines.

The design of most of our transmission cables is over 100 years old. Newer designs offer 2-3 times greater energy transmission.

In 2005, Minnesota's Excel Energy replaced older transmission lines with up-to-date ones. The project was approved in 30 days and completed in 90 days. Other utilities in Nevada and California have followed suit.

These projects demonstrate that upgrading transmission lines, or "reconductoring", is a low-cost way to tackle the increasing load on our power grid and bring more renewable energy online.

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) has required all utilities to come up with 20 year plans that include reconductoring. Incentivizing utilities to move faster, would allow them to fund reconductoring in the same fashion as new transmission lines

Please take action to incentivize utilities to take this critical step in the energy transition. We don't need more Camp fires.

Sincerely,

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Palm Bay, Florida