## **Charlie Smith**

From: Betty Leland

**Sent:** Wednesday, June 19, 2024 10:48 AM **To:** Commissioner Correspondence

**Subject:** Reconductoring

**Attachments:** Reconductoring; Reconductoring

## Good Morning:

Please place this email in Docket #20240000.

Thanks.

Betty A. Leland, Executive Assistant to Commissioner Art Graham Florida Public Service Commission bleland@psc.state.fl.us (850) 413-6024

## **Charlie Smith**

From:

Brian Vargecko <br/>
Sent:

Wednesday, June 19, 2024 8:16 AM

To:

Office of Commissioner Graham

**Subject:** Reconductoring

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Dear Commissioner Graham,

I'm a father who fears for my family in a warming world.

I'm writing to urge you to incentivize utilities to upgrade outdated power lines.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. We need you to incentivize utilities to move faster, allowing 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.

Sincerely,

Brian Vargecko

New Smyrna Beach, Florida

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## **Charlie Smith**

From:

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To:

CAUTION: This email originated from outside your organization. Exercise caution when opening attachments or clicking links, especially from unknown senders. Dear Commissioner Graham, I'm a Retired Dentist turned activist who is sailing about the world witnessing first hand the human induced destruction of our earth and oceans. I'm writing to urge you to incentivize utilities to upgrade outdated power lines.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. We need you to incentivize utilities to move faster, allowing 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. Sincerely, Marc Johnson Green Cove Springs, Florida Sent from my iPhone

mapsjohnson@gmail.com

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Wednesday, June 19, 2024 1:34 AM

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