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BEFORE THE
FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

DOCKET NO. 20250018-GU

Amendment of Rule 25-12.005, F.A.C., Codes
and Standards Adopted; Rule 25-12.008, F.A.C.,
New Reconstructed or Converted Facilities, Rule
25-12.027, F.A.C., Welder Qualification, Rule
25-12.045, F.A.C., Inactive Gas Service Lines,
and Rule 25-12.052, F.A.C., Corrosion Control
Criteria for Cathodic Protection of Buried or
Submerged Metallic Pipeline; and adoption of
new Rule 25-12.100, F.A.C., Penalty.

PROCEEDINGS: COMMISSION CONFERENCE AGENDA
ITEM NO. 2

COMMISSIONERS
PARTICIPATING: CHAIRMAN MIKE LA ROSA
COMMISSIONER ART GRAHAM
COMMISSIONER GARY F. CLARK
COMMISSIONER ANDREW GILES FAY
COMMISSIONER GABRIELLA PASSIDOMO

DATE: Tuesday, March 4, 2025

PLACE: Betty Easley Conference Center
Room 148
4075 Esplanade Way
Tallahassee, Florida

REPORTED BY: DEBRA R. KRICK
Court Reporter and
Notary Public in and for
the State of Florida at Large

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1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 CHAIRMAN LA ROSA: Let's go ahead and move to
3 Item No. 2.

4 Mr. Rubottom, if you don't mind just giving us
5 a quick summary.

6 MR. RUBOTTOM: Good morning, Commissioners.
7 Jon Rubottom with Commission legal staff.

8 Item 2 is a rulemaking docket related to the
9 Commission's gas safety rules. Staff is
10 recommending the proposal of one new rule and the
11 amendment of five others.

12 First, staff is recommending proposal of a new
13 rule to establish civil penalties for violation of
14 the Gas Safety Law. Penalties are currently set by
15 statute, but in 2024, the Legislature amended the
16 statute to require the Commission to establish
17 penalties by rule and, thereafter, to review the
18 penalties at least annually and revise as necessary
19 in order to maintain its certification agreement
20 with the Pipeline and Hazardous Safety -- Materials
21 Safety Administration, or PHMSA.

22 As detailed in the recommendation, staff
23 reviewed the existing penalties in accordance with
24 the statute and recommends the Commission propose
25 the new rule to take affect July 1, 2025, and

1 establish penalties that align with current federal
2 penalties and maintain that the Commission's
3 certification agreement with PHMSA as directed by
4 statute.

5 Additionally, staff is recommending the
6 amendment of five other existing Commission rules
7 to incorporate by reference the updated October
8 1st, 2023, version of the federal safety standards.
9 In accordance with Commission's certification
10 agreement with PHMSA.

11 Staff is available for questions.

12 CHAIRMAN LA ROSA: Thank you for that summary.

13 Commissioners, any questions or thoughts?

14 Questions or thoughts on Item No. 2?

15 Seeing none.

16 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Move to approve the item,
17 Mr. Chairman.

18 COMMISSIONER GRAHAM: Second.

19 CHAIRMAN LA ROSA: Hearing a motion and
20 hearing a second.

21 All those in favor signify by saying yay.

22 (Chorus of yays.)

23 CHAIRMAN LA ROSA: Yay.

24 Opposed no?

25 (No response.)

1 CHAIRMAN LA ROSA: Excellent, show that Item
2 No. 2 passes.

3 (Agenda item concluded.)

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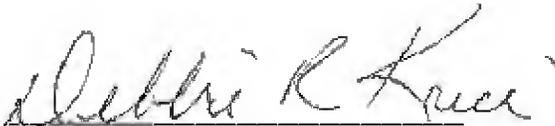
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COUNTY OF LEON)

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DATED this 17th day of March, 2025.


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