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4	In the Matter of:	
5		DOCKET NO. 20250078-EI
6		rmination of need for
7	in Volusia and La	a Vista Transmission Lind ke Counties by Duke Energy
8	Florida, LLC.	/
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10	PROCEEDINGS:	PREHEARING CONFERENCE
11	COMMISSIONERS	COMMICCIONED ADE CDAHAM
12		COMMISSIONER ART GRAHAM
13	DATE:	Monday, July 14, 2025
14	TIME:	Commenced: 10:10 a.m. Concluded: 10:12 a.m.
15	PLACE:	Betty Easley Conference Center Room 148
16		4075 Esplanade Way Tallahassee, Florida
17	REPORTED BY:	DEBRA R. KRICK
18	REFORTED DI.	Court Reporter
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1	PROCEEDINGS
2	COMMISSIONER GRAHAM: Okay, everybody. You
3	guys remembering me. I am the guy that starts on
4	time.
5	Let the record show it is 10 after I'm
6	sorry, yeah 10 after 10:00 on July 14th. This is a
7	Prehearing. Let's call the Prehearing to order.
8	Staff.
9	MS. AUGSPURGER: Good morning, Commissioner.
10	By notice issued on June 6th, 2025, this time
11	and place has been set for a Prehearing Conference
12	in Docket No. 20250078-EI. The purpose of this
13	Prehearing is set out more fully in the notice.
14	CHAIRMAN LA ROSA: Okay. Let's take
15	appearances.
16	MR. BERNIER: Good morning, Commissioner.
17	Matt Bernier for Duke Energy Florida. I will also
18	enter an appearance for Dianne Triplett.
19	Thank you.
20	MS. AUGSPURGER: Jennifer Augspurger and Adria
21	Harper with Commission staff.
22	MS. HELTON: And Mary Anne Helton is here as
23	your Advisor.
24	COMMISSIONER GRAHAM: All right. Staff,
25	preliminary matters?

1	MS. AUGSPURGER: I am sorry?
2	CHAIRMAN LA ROSA: Any preliminary matters?
3	MS. AUGSPURGER: Staff is not aware of any
4	preliminary matters that need to be addressed.
5	CHAIRMAN LA ROSA: Duke, any preliminary
6	matters?
7	MR. BERNIER: No, sir.
8	CHAIRMAN LA ROSA: Okay. All right. We are
9	going to proceed through this draft Prehearing
10	Order, probably go through it pretty quickly. We
11	are going through section by section. If there is
12	any changes to be made, please speak out and we
13	will make those changes those corrections.
14	Okay, Section I.
15	Section II.
16	Section III.
17	Section IV.
18	Okay. Staff, let's take up Sections V and VI
19	together, Sections V and VI.
20	MS. AUGSPURGER: Staff suggests that the
21	witness testimony be no longer than three minutes.
22	COMMISSIONER GRAHAM: That's a given.
23	Okay. Basic positions, number seven, are
24	there any changes?
25	Section VIII.

1	Section IX.
2	MS. AUGSPURGER: Commissioner, staff has
3	prepared and circulated to Duke a draft
4	Comprehensive Exhibit List, which includes all
5	prefiled exhibits and staff's exhibits. It is
6	anticipated that the Comprehensive Exhibit List
7	will be finalized either today or tomorrow.
8	COMMISSIONER GRAHAM: Okay. Section X.
9	MS. AUGSPURGER: There are no pending
10	stipulations.
11	COMMISSIONER GRAHAM: Section XI.
12	MS. AUGSPURGER: There are no pending motions.
13	COMMISSIONER GRAHAM: Section XII.
14	MS. AUGSPURGER: There are no pending
15	confidentiality requests.
16	COMMISSIONER GRAHAM: Section XIII.
17	MS. AUGSPURGER: If the Commission makes a
18	bench decision on this matter, there will be no
19	need for a post-hearing brief. If a brief is
20	required, it will be due July 30th, 2025, and may
21	not exceed 20 pages.
22	COMMISSIONER GRAHAM: Duke, are you okay with
23	that?
24	MR. BERNIER: Yes, sir.
25	COMMISSIONER GRAHAM: Okay. Section XIV.

1	Opening statements will be limited to I
2	can't believe I actually said five minutes will
3	be limited to five minutes unless Duke chooses to
4	waive their opening statements, and witness
5	summaries will be limited to three minutes.
6	Staff, any other rulings I need to make?
7	MS. AUGSPURGER: There are no other rulings to
8	make.
9	COMMISSIONER GRAHAM: Other matters. Are
10	there any other matters to come before this
11	Prehearing Conference?
12	MS. AUGSPURGER: Staff is not aware of any
13	other matters to address.
14	COMMISSIONER GRAHAM: Duke?
15	MR. BERNIER: No, sir.
16	COMMISSIONER GRAHAM: All right. Well, it
17	looks like we are adjourned. Thank you very much.
18	MR. BERNIER: Thank you.
19	(Proceedings concluded.)
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1	CERTIFICATE OF REPORTER
2	STATE OF FLORIDA)
3	COUNTY OF LEON)
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5	I, DEBRA KRICK, Court Reporter, do hereby
6	certify that the foregoing proceeding was heard at the
7	time and place herein stated.
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10	same has been transcribed under my direct supervision;
11	and that this transcript constitutes a true
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15	am I a relative or employee of any of the parties'
16	attorney or counsel connected with the action, nor am I
17	financially interested in the action.
18	DATED this 23rd day of July, 2025.
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23	DEBRA R. KRICK
24	NOTARY PUBLIC COMMISSION #HH575054
25	EXPIRES AUGUST 13, 2028