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**EXHIBIT A  
RULES OF THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**CHAPTER 25-6  
ELECTRIC SERVICE BY ELECTRIC PUBLIC UTILITIES**

*Chapter 25-6 of the Rules of the Florida Public Service Commission is amended to add the following:*

**25-6.0186 Bulk Power System Reliability Standards**

**(1) Application and Scope.**

(a) In order to assure reliability within a coordinated electric power grid in Peninsular Florida, each Electric utility shall comply with the Reliability Standards in accordance with the provisions of these rules. Electric utilities shall jointly use the Florida Reliability Coordinating Council to comply with the provisions of this rule as provided in this rule.

(b) No Electric utility operating in Peninsular Florida shall allow the control or operation of its Bulk Power System by a non-Electric utility System Operator absent an agreement by the System Operator to comply with the provisions of this rule.

**(2) Definitions.**

(a) "Bulk Power System". As defined by the Florida Reliability Coordinating Council, the electrical generation resources, transmission lines, interconnections with neighboring systems, and associated equipment, generally operated at voltages of 100kV or higher. Radial transmission facilities serving only load with one transmission source are generally not included in this definition.

(b) "Commission", Unless a different intent clearly appears from the context, the word "Commission" shall be construed to mean the Florida Public Service Commission.

(c) "Electric utility", as used in this rule, shall have the same meaning as set out for "Electric utility" in Section 366.02(2), F.S. Notwithstanding the foregoing, for purposes of this Rule, this definition shall not include Gulf Power Company.

(d) "FRCC" as used in this rule means the Florida Reliability Coordinating Council, Inc.

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(e) "Peninsular Florida" as used in this rule means that geographic area of Florida east of the Apalachicola River.

(f) "Reliability Standard" as used in this rule means a standard developed and approved by the Florida Reliability Coordinating Council, which have been adopted by the Florida Public Service Commission by order to assure reliability within a coordinated electric power grid in Peninsular Florida.

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(g) "System Operator" as used in this rule means any entity that operates or is responsible for the operation of any part of the Bulk Power System in Peninsular Florida.

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### (3) Adoption of Reliability Standards.

Electric utilities and other FRCC members operating in Peninsular Florida shall jointly develop and approve reliability standards specific to the Bulk Power System in Peninsular Florida under the auspices and procedures of the FRCC. Such reliability standards which the FRCC determines should be mandatory and enforceable shall be filed with the Commission for adoption for inclusion as Reliability Standards, subject to this Rule. Should the Commission fail to adopt a Reliability Standard submitted by the FRCC, the Commission will remand such Reliability Standard to the FRCC to address the issues as appropriate.

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### (4) Compliance and Enforcement.

(a) The Commission adopts, by reference, the FRCC's "Reliability Standards Compliance, Monitoring and Enforcement Program" dated July 26, 2005 to monitor and enforce compliance with the Reliability Standards adopted by the Commission. The FRCC has responsibility for implementation of the program.

(b) Non-compliance with a Reliability Standard shall be dealt with in accordance with the FRCC's "Reliability Standards Compliance, Monitoring and Enforcement Program". The FRCC shall submit to the Commission for Commission action any non-compliance matter of an Electric utility which the FRCC has been unable to resolve voluntarily through the FRCC's "Reliability Standards Compliance, Monitoring and Enforcement Program".

(c) The Commission, upon notification by the FRCC and after notice and an opportunity for a hearing by the Commission, may order compliance with a Reliability Standard and may impose a penalty, limitation of activities, functions, or operations or other disciplinary action that it finds appropriate against an Electric utility to address violations of a Commission adopted Reliability Standard.

(d) The FRCC shall have standing as a party to any proceeding to seek Commission enforcement of a Reliability Standard.

**(5) Reliability Reports.**

Electric utilities and other FRCC members operating in Peninsular Florida, acting jointly through the FRCC, shall conduct periodic assessments of the reliability of the interconnected Bulk Power System in Peninsular Florida through the FRCC. The FRCC shall report annually to the Commission its findings and recommendations for system reliability.