

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition for issuance of storm recovery financing order pursuant to Section 366.8260, F.S. (2005), by Gulf Power Company. | DOCKET NO. 060154-EI
| ORDER NO. PSC-06-0269-PCO-EI
| ISSUED: April 3, 2006

ORDER REQUIRING NOTICE OF SERVICE HEARINGS

On February 22, 2006, Gulf Power Company (Gulf) filed a Petition for Issuance of a Storm Recovery Financing Order. As noted in Order No. PSC-06-0152-PCO-EI (Order Establishing Procedure), issued February 28, 2006, a formal evidentiary hearing on Gulf's petition has been scheduled for May 31 – June 2, 2006.

As part of the Commission's consideration of the petition, customer service hearings have been scheduled for the purpose of receiving public input on the matters pertaining to Gulf's request. Accordingly, this Order sets forth the procedures by which Gulf shall provide notice of the service hearings to customers.

This Order is issued pursuant to Rule 28-106.211, Florida Administrative Code, which provides that the presiding officer before whom a case is pending may issue any orders necessary to effectuate discovery, prevent delay, and promote the just, speedy, and inexpensive determination of all aspects of the case.

Service Hearing Schedule

Two public service hearings have been scheduled for the times and places indicated below:

Wednesday, May 17, 2006, 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. (central time)
University of West Florida
University Commons Auditorium (Building 22)
11000 University Parkway
Pensacola, Florida 32514

Thursday, May 18, 2006, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. (central time)
University of West Florida
University Commons Auditorium (Building 22)
11000 University Parkway
Pensacola, Florida 32514

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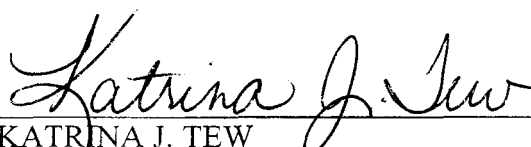
Notice

Pursuant to Rule 25-22.0405, Florida Administrative Code, the Commission may require public utilities to publish notice of hearing in newspapers of general circulation in the area affected, if the Commission finds that it is necessary in order to afford adequate notice to the customers of the utility. Accordingly, to afford adequate notice to Gulf's customers in the areas affected, Gulf is required to place a notice in a newspaper of general circulation in each county in which a service hearing is scheduled and in each county contiguous to those counties, to be no smaller than one-eighth (1/8) of a page, and to be published no fewer than 7 and no more than 14 days prior to the first service hearing. The notices shall be submitted to Commission staff for review prior to being placed for publication. They shall include the date, time, and location of each service hearing, and shall also include a brief summary of the issues before us and a description of the information being sought through the public hearings.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by Commissioner Katrina J. Tew, as Prehearing Officer, that notice of the scheduled service hearings listed in this Order shall be provided as set forth in the body of this Order.

By ORDER of Commissioner Katrina J. Tew, as Prehearing Officer, this 3rd day of April, 2006.


KATRINA J. TEW
Commissioner and Prehearing Officer

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NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.569(1), Florida Statutes, to notify parties of any administrative hearing or judicial review of Commission orders that is available under Sections 120.57 or 120.68, Florida Statutes, as well as the procedures and time limits that apply. This notice should not be construed to mean all requests for an administrative hearing or judicial review will be granted or result in the relief sought.

Mediation may be available on a case-by-case basis. If mediation is conducted, it does not affect a substantially interested person's right to a hearing.

Any party adversely affected by this order, which is preliminary, procedural, or intermediate in nature, may request: (1) reconsideration within 10 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.0376, Florida Administrative Code; or (2) judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court, in the case of an electric, gas, or telephone utility, or the First District Court of Appeal, in the case of a water or wastewater utility. A motion for reconsideration shall be filed with the Director, Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services, in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code. Judicial review of a preliminary, procedural or intermediate ruling or order is available if review of the final action will not provide an adequate remedy. Such review may be requested from the appropriate court, as described above, pursuant to Rule 9.100, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.