

REQUEST FOR CHANGE TO AGENDA CONFERENCE  
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Date of Request: 6/14/2006 Date of Agenda Conference: 6/20/2006 Item No. 3

Docket No.: 060172-EU f 060173-EU Brief Title: Amendments to Rules for Electric Facilities

Requested by:  Staff  Other Verizon, BellSouth, Embarq & Alltel  
(Name)

Please attach a copy of the written documentation filed (IF OTHER)

STAFF's Recommendation to Executive Suite (IF OTHER)  Approve Request  Deny Request

**ACTION REQUESTED [see APM 2.11]**

- Defer Item to Agenda Scheduled Date: \_\_\_\_\_
- Change Order of Item or Take Up at Time Certain
- Withdraw Item (not expected to return to Agenda)
- Late Filed Recommendation (must be filed no later than 3:00 p.m. on the date approved for late filing) A copy of the front copy of the recommendation must be provided to CCA by 12 noon on the regular filing date for use as a place-holder during agenda preparation.
- Add Item to Published Agenda [see Section 120.525(2), F.S.] – Issue an ADDENDUM and give Legal NOTICE
- Add Emergency Item to Published Agenda [see Section 120.525 (3), F.S.] – Issue an ADDENDUM and Give Fair NOTICE

Concise explanation, justification or comments (attach additional sheet if necessary):

Staff does not believe deferral will assist in resolution of these dockets. Staff intends to propose language to clarify the obligation of electric utilities to seek input from attaching third parties during the development of the utilities' construction and attachment standards. Staff also believes Commission proposal of rule language will assist interested persons in meaningful participation at the scheduled July 13, 2006 workshop and the 22 August rule hearing.

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**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:**

Recommendation to the Chairman's Office

Initials: MAB

Comments: I agree with staff.

Approve Request  Deny Request

Date: 6/15/06

**CHAIRMAN's OFFICE:**

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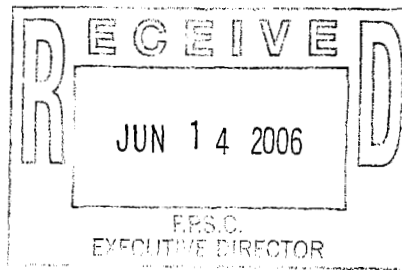
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**BY HAND DELIVERY**

June 14, 2006

Chairman Lisa Polak Edgar  
Florida Public Service Commission  
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Re: June 20, 2006 Agenda Item 3, Docket Nos. 060172-EU and 060173-EU

Dear Chairman Edgar:

On behalf of Verizon Florida Inc. ("Verizon"), BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth"), Embarq Florida, Inc. ("Embarq") and Alltel Communications, Inc. ("Alltel"), I request that the Commission defer consideration of Item 3 on its June 20, 2006 agenda, concerning proposed rules for placement and construction standards for electric facilities, until the following agenda conference on July 18, 2006. Deferring a vote on this item will allow time for Staff to conduct a workshop facilitating more participation by parties outside the electric industry who will be substantially affected by the proposed rules.

Staff previously has held two rule development workshops in the referenced dockets in which electric utilities participated, but many representatives of other affected industries did not as they were not invited by Staff to participate. Consequently, Verizon, BellSouth, Embarq and Alltel are concerned that the rules being proposed by Staff fail to take into account the interests of other affected industries, including the telecommunications industry.

Staff's recommendation acknowledges that Verizon, BellSouth and Embarq have raised concerns about the proposed rules and recommends that an additional Staff workshop and subsequent hearing be scheduled so that those concerns may be discussed. Staff also recommends, however, that the Commission propose the new rules in their current form before that workshop is held. Verizon, BellSouth, Embarq and Alltel respectfully submit that Staff should hold its workshop before the rules are proposed, not afterward.

Chairman Lisa Polak Edgar

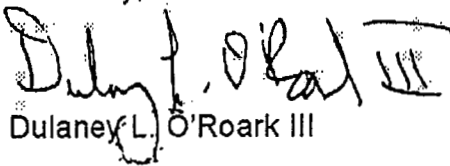
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If the Commission proposes the rules as currently recommended by Staff, Verizon, BellSouth, Embarq and Alltel will have no choice but to seek a hearing on them. The far more productive course would be to hold a workshop in which there would be an opportunity to seek modification of the proposed rules so they address the concerns of members of all affected industries. Doing so, at the least, would provide an opportunity to narrow disputed issues and might obviate the need for a hearing altogether.

For these reasons, Verizon, BellSouth, Embarq and Alltel respectfully request that the Commission defer consideration of Item 3 until its July 18, 2006 agenda.

Sincerely,



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c: Commissioner Matthew M. Carter II  
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Commissioner Isilio Arriaga  
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Parties of Record