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March 12, 2007

Florida Public Service Commission  
Bureau of Records  
2540 Shumard Oak Blvd.  
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Dear Sir/Madam:

Enclosed is a copy of Resolution No. R-2007-64 adopted by the Hollywood City Commission on February 21, 2007, entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING THE CONVERSION OF OVERHEAD ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTION FACILITIES TO UNDERGROUND FACILITIES AND ENCOURAGING THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION TO IMPLEMENT ALL REASONABLE MEASURES TO ENCOURAGE THE CONVERSION OF ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION FACILITIES TO UNDERGROUND FACILITIES.

CMP \_\_\_\_\_

COM \_\_\_\_\_ Sincerely,

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GCL \_\_\_\_\_ Patricia A. Cerny, MMC

OPC \_\_\_\_\_ City Clerk

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WHEREAS, all Florida citizens, businesses, and institutions require reliable electric service and reliable electric distribution infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, in the tropical storm and hurricane seasons of 2004 and 2005, Florida experienced unprecedented numbers of tropical storms and hurricanes impacting Florida and her citizens, and also experienced unprecedented damage to the overhead electric distribution systems of Florida's electric utilities, resulting in widespread and prolonged outages of electric service; and

WHEREAS, numerous long-term forecasts of tropical weather activity indicate that Florida is likely to be impacted by more, and possibly more severe, tropical weather events over the next ten to twenty years than were experienced over the period 1960 to 2003; and

WHEREAS, it is generally recognized that underground electric distribution facilities are significantly more reliable, and less subject to wind damage, than overhead facilities in tropical storms and hurricanes; and

WHEREAS, wide-area conversions of overhead electric distribution facilities to underground facilities are reasonably expected to provide significant reliability, cost savings, and other benefits both to customers in the areas converted and also to the general body of utility customers, including, without limitation, reduced or eliminated storm restoration costs in many tropical and other storm events, reduced or eliminated vegetation management (tree trimming) costs, and reduced costs due to damage claims due to electrical contract accidents; and

WHEREAS, wide-area underground conversions will result in enhanced traffic safety and fewer accidents involving vehicles striking overhead electric facilities; and

WHEREAS, wide-area underground conversions will enhance environmental values and aesthetic values; and

WHEREAS, the City of Hollywood and the residents of the City of Hollywood are customers of Florida Power & Light Company (FPL); and

WHEREAS, the City of Hollywood is a participant in the Municipal Underground Utilities Consortium, a group of Florida cities and towns that have joined together to fund a comprehensive evaluation of the costs and benefits of underground conversion projects; and

WHEREAS, the resulting cost-effectiveness study has shown that substantial benefits would accrue to FPL and its general body of customers from underground conversions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA:

Section 1: That it believes all responsible agencies of Florida government, including the Florida Public Service Commission, should encourage the conversion of overhead electric distribution facilities to underground facilities to the maximum extent possible.

Section 2: That the Florida Public Service Commission is strongly encouraged to ensure that any utility tariff provisions relating to underground electric conversions include and reflect all values that such conversions provide, including not only the specific cost savings benefits such as reduced storm restoration costs and reduced vegetation management costs mentioned above but also the general economic benefits that flow to all citizens from reduced outages.

Section 3: That, where there is a difference of expert opinion as to the values and benefits of underground conversions, the Florida Public Service Commission is strongly encouraged to require utilities subject to its jurisdiction, including FPL, to reflect the greatest justifiable benefits in utility tariffs so as to encourage underground conversions to the maximum extent possible.

Section 4: That the City Clerk is directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Florida Public Service Commission, to the State Legislators for the City of Hollywood, to the Broward County Commissioners, and to any other interested parties.

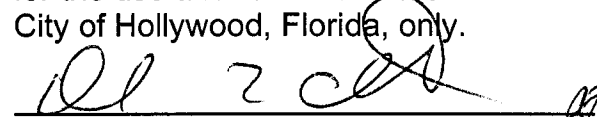
Section 5: That this resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and adoption.

RESOLUTION: CONVERSION OVERHEAD ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION TO UNDERGROUND FACILITIES

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 21 day of Feb, 2007.

  
MARA GIULIANTI, MAYOR

ATTEST:  
  
PATRICIA A. CERNY, MMC  
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY  
for the use and reliance of the  
City of Hollywood, Florida, only.  
  
DANIEL L. ABBOTT, CITY ATTORNEY