

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

NOTICE OF COMMISSION HEARING AND PREHEARING

TO

PARTIES OF RECORD

AND

ALL OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS

DOCKET NO. 150263-EI

PETITION FOR DETERMINATION OF NEED FOR DUVAL-RAVEN 230 KV
TRANSMISSION LINE IN BAKER, COLUMBIA, DUVAL, AND NASSAU COUNTIES, BY
FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY.

ISSUED: January 7, 2016

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a hearing will be held before the Florida Public Service Commission regarding Florida Power & Light Company's (FPL) petition for determination of need for a transmission line in Columbia County, at the following time and place:

Wednesday, February 24, 2016, 9:30 a.m.
Hearing Room 148, Betty Easley Conference Center
4075 Esplanade Way
Tallahassee, Florida

Additional days will be allocated for continuation of the hearing if needed. The starting time of the next day's session will be announced at the conclusion of the prior day. The hearing may be adjourned early if all testimony is concluded.

PURPOSE AND PROCEDURE

The purpose of this hearing is for the Commission to consider FPL's petition and to take final action to determine the need for the proposed Duval-Raven 230 kV transmission line in Baker, Columbia, Duval, and Nassau Counties pursuant to Section 403.537, Florida Statutes (F.S.).

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The proceeding shall: (1) allow FPL to present evidence and testimony in support of its petition; (2) permit intervenors to present testimony and exhibits concerning FPL's petition; (3) permit members of the public, who are not parties to this need determination proceeding, the opportunity to present testimony concerning this matter; and (4) allow for such other purposes as the Commission may deem appropriate. The Commission may also consider any motions or other matters that may be pending at the time of the hearing. The Commission may rule on any such motions from the bench or may take the matters under advisement. All witnesses shall be subject to cross-examination at the conclusion of their testimony.

The proceeding will be governed by the provisions of Chapter 120, F.S., Section 403.537, F.S., and Chapters 25-22 and 28-106, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.). Only matters related to the need for the Duval-Raven 230 kV transmission line proposed by FPL will be heard at the February 24, 2016 hearing. Separate public hearings may be held before the Division of Administrative Hearings to consider environmental and other impacts of the proposed Duval-Raven 230 kV transmission line, as required by the "Power Plant Siting Act," Sections 403.52-403.5365, F.S.

Members of the public who are not parties to the need determination proceeding shall have an opportunity to present testimony at the hearing regarding the need for the proposed Duval-Raven 230 kV transmission line by FPL. Any member of the public who wishes to offer testimony at the hearing should be present at the beginning of the hearing on February 24, 2016, at 9:30 a.m. All witnesses will be sworn in and will be subject to cross-examination at the conclusion of their testimony.

By providing public testimony, a person does not become a party to the proceeding. To become an official party of record, you must file a Petition for Intervention at least five (5) days before the final hearing, pursuant to the requirements contained in Rule 25-22.039, F.A.C.

PREHEARING CONFERENCE

A prehearing conference will be held before Commissioner Jimmy Patronis, as Prehearing Officer, regarding the above-referenced matter, at the following time and place:

Wednesday, February 10, 2016, at 9:30 a.m.
Hearing Room 148, Betty Easley Conference Center
4075 Esplanade Way
Tallahassee, Florida

PURPOSE

The purpose of this prehearing conference is: (1) to define and limit, if possible, the number of issues; (2) to determine the parties' positions on the issues; (3) to determine what facts, if any, may be stipulated; (4) to dispose of any motions or other matters that may be pending; (5) to identify any exhibits that may be offered at the hearing; (6) to establish the order of any witnesses testifying at the hearing; and (7) to consider any other matters that may aid in the disposition of this case.

JURISDICTION

This Commission is vested with jurisdiction over the subject matter by the provisions of Sections 366.04 and 403.537, F.S. This hearing will be governed by said Sections as well as Chapter 120, F.S., and Chapters 25-22 and 28-106, F.A.C.

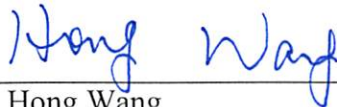
EMERGENCY CANCELLATION OF HEARING

If settlement of the case or a named storm or other disaster requires cancellation of the hearing, Commission staff will attempt to give timely direct notice to the parties. Notice of cancellation of the hearing will also be provided on the Commission's website (<http://www.psc.state.fl.us/>) under the Hot Topics link found on the home page. Cancellation can also be confirmed by calling the Office of the General Counsel at 850-413-6199.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate at this proceeding should contact the Office of Commission Clerk no later than five days prior to the hearing at 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, via 1-800-955-8770 (Voice) or 1-800-955-8771 (TDD), Florida Relay Service.

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By DIRECTION of the Florida Public Service Commission this 7th day of January, 2016.

By: 

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Copies furnished: A copy of this document is provided to the parties of record at the time of issuance and, if applicable, interested persons.

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