

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

NOTICE OF DEVELOPMENT OF RULEMAKING

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IN RE: PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO RULE 25-6.0345, F.A.C., SAFETY STANDARDS
FOR CONSTRUCTION OF NEW TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION FACILITIES

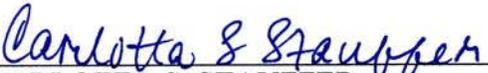
ISSUED: December 19, 2016

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 120.54, Florida Statutes, that the Florida Public Service Commission staff has initiated rulemaking to amend Rule 25-6.0345, Florida Administrative Code, Safety Standards for Construction of New Transmission and Distribution Facilities, to update the rule so that the most recent version of the National Electric Safety Code (NESC) (IEEE C2-2017 edition) is incorporated by reference.

The attached Notice of Development of Rulemaking appeared in the December 16, 2016, edition of the Florida Administrative Register. If requested in writing and not deemed unnecessary by the agency head, a rule development workshop will be scheduled and noticed in the next available Florida Administrative Register. Written requests for a rule development workshop must be submitted by January 13, 2017, to Pamela H. Page, Florida Public Service Commission, Office of the General Counsel, 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd., Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850, (850) 413-6214, phpage@psc.state.fl.us. A copy of the preliminary draft rule is attached.

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By DIRECTION of the Florida Public Service Commission this 19th day of December,
2016.


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Notice of Development of Rulemaking

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

25-6.0345 Safety Standards for Construction of New Transmission and Distribution Facilities

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: To update the rule so that the most recent version of the National Electric Safety Code (NESC) (IEEE C2- 2017 edition) is incorporated by reference.

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SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: The rule informs investor-owned electric utilities, rural electric cooperatives, and municipal electric systems of the applicable safety standards for construction of new transmission and distribution facilities.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 350.127(2), 366.05(1) FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 366.04(2),(6) FS.

IF REQUESTED IN WRITING AND NOT DEEMED UNNECESSARY BY THE AGENCY HEAD, A RULE DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP WILL BE NOTICED IN THE NEXT AVAILABLE FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE REGISTER.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: Pamela H. Page, Florida Public Service Commission, Office of the General Counsel, 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd., Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850, (850)413-6214, phpage@psc.state.fl.us

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS AVAILABLE AT NO CHARGE FROM THE CONTACT PERSON LISTED ABOVE.

1 **25-6.0345 Safety Standards for Construction of New Transmission and Distribution**
2 **Facilities.**

3 The Commission adopts and incorporates by reference ~~the 2012 edition of~~ the National
4 Electrical Safety Code (NESC) (~~IEEE C2- ANSIC-2~~ 2017 edition) [~~NESC~~], as the applicable
5 safety standards for transmission and distribution facilities subject to the Commission's safety
6 jurisdiction. Each investor-owned electric utility, rural electric cooperative, and municipal
7 electric system shall, at a minimum, comply with the standards in these provisions. A copy of
8 the NESC may be obtained from the Institute of Electric and Electronic Engineers, Inc.
9 (IEEE), 3 Park Avenue, New York, NY 10016-5997.

10 *Rulemaking Authority 350.127(2), 366.05(1) FS. Law Implemented 366.04(2), (6) FS.*

11 *History—New 8-13-87, Amended 2-18-90, 11-10-93, 8-17-97, 7-16-02, 2-1-07, 12-16-12,*

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existing law.