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DATE: February 27, 2018

TO: Carlotta S. Stauffer, Commission Clerk, Office of Commission Clerk

FROM: Rosanne Gervasi, Senior Attorney, Office of the General Counsel *RG*

RE: Docket No. 20170215-EU, Review of Electric Utility Hurricane Preparedness and Restoration Actions

Please place the attached 4 letters in Docket No. 20170215-EU.

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December 19, 2017

Mr. Brewster Bevis
Senior Vice President of State and Federal Affairs
Associated Industries of Florida
516 N. Adams Street
Tallahassee, FL 32301

Re: Utility Hurricane Preparedness and Restoration Comments

Dear Mr. Bevis:

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Mr. Frank Walker
Vice President of Governmental Affairs
Chamber of Commerce
136 S. Bronough St.
Tallahassee, FL 32301

Re: Utility Hurricane Preparedness and Restoration Comments

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Mr. Davin Suggs
Director of Public Policy
Florida Association of Counties
100 South Monroe Street
Tallahassee, FL 32301

Re: Utility Hurricane Preparedness and Restoration Comments

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Ms. Rebecca O'Hara
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Florida League of Cities
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Tallahassee, FL 32301

Re: Utility Hurricane Preparedness and Restoration Comments

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