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Please place the attached letter in Docket Nos. 20170235 and 20170236.

Thanks.

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Public Service Commission

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The Honorable Peter D. O'Bryan, Chairman
Indian River County Board of County Commissioners
1801 27th Street, Building A
Vero Beach, Florida 32960

Dear Chairman O'Bryan:

Thank you for your letter regarding the Public Service Commission's upcoming hearing on issues related to the sale of Vero Beach Electric.

Due to a specific statutory prohibition on ex parte communications in matters before the PSC, Chairman Graham is not permitted to reply himself. However, your letter has been placed in the relevant dockets, and Chairman Graham and the other Commissioners will read it.

As you requested, the Chairman plans to give interested members of the public an opportunity to speak at the hearing. Because we have an extensive evidentiary hearing to fit into two days, each member of the public will have up to two minutes, and statutory prohibitions against repetitive or irrelevant testimony will have to be observed carefully.

The Commission appreciates your insights, and those of your constituents who choose to speak at the hearing, and will thoughtfully consider your concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James A. Varian".

James A. Varian, Chief Advisor to
Chairman Art Graham

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