

**Section 366.042, Florida Statutes**

**ATTESTATION**

THE UNDERSIGNED, duly acting on behalf of Peace River Electric Cooperative, Inc., hereby attests that such aforementioned electric provider has complied with the requirements of Section 366.042, Florida Statutes, on or before May 15, 2025.

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have read the foregoing attestation and that the facts stated in it are true.

 2-25-25  
Signature Date

Randall W. Shaw  
General Manager and CEO  
Peace River Electric Cooperative, Inc.

## **Fla. Stat. § 366.042**

\*\*\* Current through the 2024 regular session. \*\*\*

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(Chs. 350 — 368) > Chapter 366. Public Utilities. (§§ 366.01 — 366.99)**

### **§ 366.042. Mutual aid agreements of rural electric cooperatives and municipal electric utilities.**

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(1) For the purposes of restoring power following a natural disaster that is subject to a state of emergency declared by the Governor, all rural electric cooperatives and municipal electric utilities shall enter into and maintain, at a minimum, one of the following:

- (a) A mutual aid agreement with a municipal electric utility;
- (b) A mutual aid agreement with a rural electric cooperative;
- (c) A mutual aid agreement with a public utility; or
- (d) A pre-event agreement with a private contractor.

(2) All rural electric cooperatives and municipal electric utilities operating in this state shall annually submit to the commission an attestation, in conformity with s. 92.525, stating that the organization has complied with the requirements of this section on or before May 15. Nothing in this section shall be construed to give the commission jurisdiction over the terms and conditions of a mutual aid agreement or agreement with a private contractor entered into by a rural electric cooperative or a municipal electric utility.

(3) The commission shall compile the attestations and annually submit a copy to the Division of Emergency Management no later than May 30.

(4) A rural electric cooperative or municipal electric utility that submits the attestation required by this section is eligible to receive state financial assistance, if such funding is available, for power restoration efforts following a natural disaster that is subject to a state of emergency declared by the Governor.

(5) A rural electric cooperative or municipal electric utility that does not submit an attestation required by this section is ineligible to receive state financial assistance for power restoration efforts following a natural disaster that is subject to a state of emergency declared by the Governor, until such time as the attestation is submitted.

(6) Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit, limit, or disqualify a rural electric cooperative or municipal electric utility from receiving funding under the Stafford Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq., or any other federal program, including programs administered by the state.

(7) This section does not expand or alter the jurisdiction of the commission over public utilities or electric utilities.

### **History**

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S. 4, ch. 2024-186, effective July 1, 2024.

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