

# I. Meeting Packet



**State of Florida**  
**Public Service Commission**  
**INTERNAL AFFAIRS AGENDA**

Tuesday – June 13, 2023  
Immediately Following Agenda Conference  
Room 148 - Betty Easley Conference Center

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1. An Introduction to the Florida Office of Energy presented by Alexander Mack, Program Administrator, Florida Office of Energy (Attachment 1)
2. General Counsel's Report
3. Executive Director's report
4. Other Matters

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# An Introduction to the Florida Office of Energy

Florida Public Service Commission  
Internal Affairs

June 13, 2023



# FDACS OOE Functions & Responsibilities

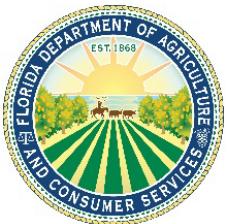
- Legislatively designated state energy policy development office within Florida
- Evaluate energy related studies, analyses, and stakeholder input
- Promote and advocate for the development and use of renewable energy resources, energy efficiency technologies, alternative fuels, and alternative vehicle technologies
- Use available state and federal funds to develop and manage energy efficiency, renewable energy, energy education, alternative fuels and alternative vehicle technologies programs
- Produce an Annual Energy Report
- Serve as the State clearinghouse for all energy information



# Florida Energy Clearinghouse

[www.FreshFromFlorida.com/Energy/Florida-Energy-Clearinghouse](http://www.FreshFromFlorida.com/Energy/Florida-Energy-Clearinghouse)

- Continues to host, update, and expand the Florida Energy Clearinghouse in accordance with Section 570.0741, Florida Statutes.
- Designed to be a consumer-friendly portal to compare energy-saving technologies and learn more about energy usage, energy production, renewable energy technologies, and research being conducted in Florida.
- My Florida Home Energy is a major component of the Florida Energy Clearinghouse.
  - Takes users on an interactive home tour and offers tips for how they can improve its energy efficiency.
  - Uses information provided by the homeowner and publicly accessible data to provide a customized report which identifies energy efficient products, services, and potential energy and monetary savings.
  - Even includes all available financial incentives in the area.
  - The MyFloridaHome site will be updated this summer.

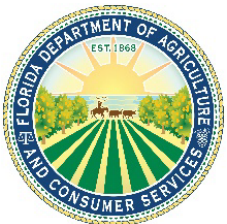


# Florida – Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)

State Energy Program (SEP) - \$16,3836,920

Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) -  
\$7,677,450 (\$3,477,450 (EECBG) and \$4,200,000 Plus up from  
SEP- ARRA )

Energy Efficiency Revolving Loan Fund (EERLF) - \$3,803,700  
plus SEP-Formula Plus up



# Florida - Inflation Reduction Act (IRA)

- Home Efficiency Rebates - \$173 million
- Home Electrification & Appliance Rebates - \$172 million





# What's Ahead

- Continue to seek Federal funding for energy efficiency programs critical for Florida and local governments
- Continue to administer current programs and develop new programs
- Work with the Legislature and Governor's office to collectively advance Florida's energy policy
- Work with the Florida Energy Systems Consortium to expand energy research at Florida's universities



## II. Outside Persons Who Wish to Address the Commission at Internal Affairs

Note: The records reflect that no outside persons addressed the Commission at this Internal Affairs meeting.

# III. Supplemental Materials for Internal Affairs

Note: The records reflect that there were no supplemental materials provided to the Commission during this Internal Affairs meeting.

# IV. Transcript

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PROCEEDINGS: INTERNAL AFFAIRS

COMMISSIONERS PARTICIPATING: CHAIRMAN ANDREW GILES FAY  
COMMISSIONER ART GRAHAM  
COMMISSIONER GARY F. CLARK  
COMMISSIONER MIKE LA ROSA  
COMMISSIONER GABRIELLA PASSIDOMO

DATE: Tuesday, June 13, 2023

TIME: Commenced: 10:15 a.m.  
Concluded: 10:45 a.m.

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4075 Esplanade Way  
Tallahassee, Florida

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## 1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 CHAIRMAN FAY: All right. Welcome back. We  
3 will begin our Internal Affairs meeting for June  
4 13th.

5 As usual, I would like to recognize our  
6 Employee of the Month for this month. So we will  
7 be recognizing Phillip Ellis.

8 So Phillip is known around the Commission for  
9 his pleasant attitude and willingness to help with  
10 pretty much any situation. From briefing with him,  
11 he has the ability to quickly recall a number of  
12 facts and issues just off the top of his head. He  
13 loves digging into the details, and I love that he  
14 loves digging into the details, and so he just  
15 constantly just proves to be a huge asset to our  
16 commission, and we are thankful to have him. His  
17 team also has a lot of respect for him and the way  
18 he runs his group, and the caliber of educating and  
19 bringing people on as team members.

20 So with that, we will recognize Phillip Ellis  
21 as this month's Employee of the Month.

22 (Applause from the audience.)

23 CHAIRMAN FAY: All right. With that,  
24 Commissioners, next we will move into today's  
25 presentation for Internal Affairs, which will be an

1 introduction to the Florida Office of Energy  
2 presented by Alexander Mack, who is the Program  
3 Administrator for the Florida Office of Energy. I  
4 know we've got some PowerPoint slides here this  
5 morning for us to go through.

6 Mr. Mack, typically if somebody has sort of an  
7 urgent question, they may interrupt --  
8 Commissioners may interrupt you to ask you that  
9 specific question, but common practice is we will  
10 wait until the end, and if we have questions, we  
11 might refer to a slide to have you go back to that  
12 to ask for some additional detail. But we do  
13 appreciate you being here this morning, and when  
14 you are ready, you are recognized to start your  
15 presentation.

16 MR. MACK: Well, good morning, Commissioners.  
17 I am an alum of the Public Service Commission.  
18 Previously, I worked in electric safety, from 1990  
19 through '93. And I have been in the Energy Office  
20 since that time.

21 But as it relates to the Office of Energy, we  
22 are housed in the Department of Agriculture and  
23 Consumer Services, and we are governed by Chapter  
24 377.703 of the Florida Statutes. And in that  
25 statute, we are charged -- or our function, our

1           responsibilities are legislatively -- we are the  
2           legislatively designated state energy policy  
3           development office within Florida. We evaluate  
4           energy related studies, analysis, stakeholder  
5           input. We promote and advocate for the development  
6           and use of renewable energy resources, energy  
7           efficiency technologies, alternative fuels and  
8           alternative fuel vehicle technologies.

9           We use available state and federal funds to  
10          develop and manage energy efficiency renewable  
11          energy, energy education, alternative fuels and  
12          alternative fuel technology programs. We also  
13          produce an annual energy report. Also, we serve as  
14          the state clearinghouse for all energy information.

15          And having said that, there is a website  
16          that's the Florida Energy Clearinghouse, it is  
17          housed at the University of Florida, and we  
18          continually host and update and expand the  
19          clearinghouse in accordance with section 470.0741  
20          of the Florida Statutes. It is designed to be a  
21          consumer friendly portal to compare energy saving  
22          technologies and learn more about energy use,  
23          production and renewable energy technologies and  
24          research being conducted within the state.

25          There is also the My Florida Home Energy.



1           It's a major component of the clearinghouse. And  
2           it takes users on an interactive home tool, and  
3           offers tips on how they can improve their energy  
4           efficiency. And so it uses information provided by  
5           the homeowner and publicly accessible data to  
6           provide a customized report, which identifies  
7           energy efficient products, services, potential  
8           energy and monetary savings. It even includes all  
9           available financial incentives in the area. And  
10          this summer, we plan on updating the My Florida  
11          Home site.

12                 Also, we -- within the Energy Office, we have  
13          federal dollars, of course. And with the  
14          bipartisan infrastructure law, or bill, as we call  
15          it, we have received funds from the State Energy  
16          Program, and that amount is 16, a little over \$16  
17          million. And the State Energy Program was created  
18          back in the 1970s, and it emphasizes the State's  
19          role as the decision-maker and administrator for  
20          programs and activities unique to the state.

21                 So that -- so the funds will flow down from  
22          the federal government, or the Department of  
23          Energy, but the State is the administrator and  
24          decide what it wants to do with those funds based  
25          upon the federal law.

1           With the State Energy Program, the plan is for  
2           these funds to be used for wastewater treatment  
3           facilities in physically constrained counties and  
4           cities and towns. That is the current plan for  
5           these funds. These funds were received from the  
6           federal government last month, and budget  
7           authority, we are waiting for a stroke of the pen  
8           before we move forward.

9           Also, we received -- we have applied for the  
10          Energy Efficiency Conservation Block Grant. Those  
11          are funds for -- that flow through the State.  
12          Those funds are for counties under 200,000 and  
13          cities and towns under 35,000. Anything larger  
14          than that, those funds flow direct to those local  
15          governments.

16          The decision has been made for the funds that  
17          are flowing through the energy -- Office of Energy  
18          will be used for local governments in those  
19          physically constrained counties. That is the plan.

20          Also, we have applied for the Energy  
21          Efficiency Revolving Loan Program, or loan fund.  
22          These are funds that will be used to capitalize  
23          grants to establish a revolving loan fund for  
24          energy audits, upgrades and retrofits to increase  
25          energy efficiency and improve the comfort of the

1 building. With the Energy Efficiency Revolving  
2 Loan Fund, we are actually plussing up those funds  
3 with some funds that we currently have that have  
4 not been expended, which are existing federal  
5 funds.

6 Also, there is the Inflation Reduction Act.  
7 And Florida's allocation for the Home Efficiency  
8 Rebates is 173 million, and the Home  
9 Electrification & Appliance Rebates is 172 million.

10 The Home Efficiency Rebates are given to  
11 develop a rebate program for single family and  
12 multi-family households to accomplish whole home  
13 retrofits that save at least 20 percent of  
14 household energy.

15 And then the Home Electrification & Appliance  
16 Rebates program, it is a rebate program that is to  
17 be developed for low and moderate income, single  
18 family and multi-family households, to purchase  
19 high efficiency electric equipment.

20 But in this program, for the audits that will  
21 take place on those homes, there would be con --  
22 concern contractors that will be able to do those  
23 audits. And so the Department of Energy is  
24 providing funds for contractor training for this  
25 program. But a decision has not been made if it's

1 going to be formally allocated or if it's going to  
2 be competitive. So we do not know that yet. We  
3 have not received guidance from the Department of  
4 Energy.

5 And what's ahead, we are going to continue to  
6 seek federal funding for energy efficiency programs  
7 critical for Florida and local governments;  
8 continue to administer the current programs and  
9 develop new programs; work with the Legislature and  
10 Governor's Office to collectively advance Florida's  
11 energy policy; and work with the Florida Energy  
12 Systems Consortium to expand research in Florida's  
13 universities.

14 And if you are not familiar with the Florida  
15 Energy Systems Consortium, it is a consortium that  
16 supports -- that's -- I don't want to say staffed,  
17 but staffed by the 12 State supported universities.

18 And if there are questions, I will be prepared  
19 to answer questions that I can at this time.

20 CHAIRMAN FAY: Great. Yeah. Thank you.

21 I have got two quick questions for you, Mr.  
22 Mack and then I will go to my colleagues, who  
23 probably will have some questions on this.

24 The first being, you have some of the -- the  
25 material in here in your comments about the federal

1 funding components that go through the State, and I  
2 think you provided a great overview, in that,  
3 depending on the funding and the timing, there is  
4 all different ways that this stuff can be  
5 distributed, and sometimes there is a lot of  
6 confusion, I think, as to what that entails. I  
7 know Department of Energy has a number of specific  
8 grant funding opportunities, but then they have low  
9 interest loan opportunities. I mean, it's just a  
10 wide variety.

11 Does your office have any sort of maybe  
12 central -- are you working on something where you  
13 are able to centralize that information of the --  
14 all the different federal funding that's out there,  
15 so individuals can look at that and have a better  
16 idea of what's available?

17 MR. MACK: We are working on the website to  
18 provide links to the Department of Energy so that  
19 they will know exactly what's available. But  
20 typically, the State Energy Program, Energy  
21 Efficiency Conservation Program, the Revolving Loan  
22 Fund Program, those are the basic federal programs  
23 that flow through our office.

24 But if there are other opportunities, we  
25 continually monitor what's available and reach out

1 to partners around the state to see who's  
2 interested in applying, because all of the funding  
3 that's available, the Energy Office is not the  
4 eligibility entity to be able to apply.

5 CHAIRMAN FAY: Yeah, and I think we have, at  
6 least I have, when I have looked at some of these  
7 programs, as a regulatory entity, we are not the  
8 right option either for a lot of those.

9 And so if a municipality, for example, wanted  
10 to apply to something but they need to apply  
11 directly, you are saying you may have conversations  
12 with them about that process?

13 MR. MACK: Right, because even with the EECBG  
14 program, the Department of Energy has actually  
15 reached out to us because there are local  
16 governments that are eligible that have not  
17 supplied the preliminary information. So we have  
18 reached out to entities around the state to let  
19 them know that the funds are available, because if  
20 Florida don't receive them, they go elsewhere, and  
21 we want them to come to Florida.

22 CHAIRMAN FAY: Great. And just one more  
23 question for you, Mr. Mack.

24 You mentioned updating this -- the website  
25 over the summer in the My Florida Home component.

1 I know this commission has talked a lot about  
2 energy efficiency, and the idea of educating  
3 customers so they can make decisions about -- about  
4 efficiency.

5 I know we -- our commission has, and our  
6 communication folks, have worked on, like, an  
7 example of a house and where energy efficiency  
8 components might be. Is this something that you  
9 think, by the end of the summer, would be available  
10 so if customers -- like, for example, if customers  
11 reach out to the PSC, it is -- is it a diagram, a  
12 website, like, something that would give them some  
13 general understanding -- and I am not saying  
14 Commissioner Clark's energy audits, which are  
15 great, and everyone should do, are not essential  
16 for everybody. However, if individuals chose to  
17 sort inform and educate themselves, and for  
18 whatever reason chose to not have a physical energy  
19 audit, is that -- is that kind of the goal of what  
20 your working on?

21 MR. MACK: That is the goal. It is currently  
22 in existence. We are just planning on updating  
23 it --

24 CHAIRMAN FAY: Okay.

25 MR. MACK: -- so they can actually go to the

1 website now to be able to utilize it.

2 CHAIRMAN FAY: And see the previous version  
3 whatever that is?

4 MR. MACK: Yes.

5 CHAIRMAN FAY: Okay. Great. Yeah, I think --  
6 and I would like our communication folks to get  
7 with your agency and team just to make sure if we  
8 are not duplicating whatever information is put out  
9 there, and we are putting -- maybe redirecting  
10 customers, right, to the best options that's there,  
11 since you are going to be updating that this  
12 summer.

13 Commissioner Clark, you are recognized for  
14 questions.

15 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.  
16 I actually just want to train the energy auditors.  
17 That's my goal.

18 CHAIRMAN FAY: There is money for that too.

19 COMMISSIONER CLARK: That's what he said. I  
20 got that part.

21 Just a couple of questions related to  
22 collaboration and partnerships. In my experience  
23 in the utility business, the utility companies  
24 often are some of the best collaborative partners  
25 that the energy office can have in the field



1 promoting and recognizing these programs,  
2 recommending these programs, and to helping you to  
3 disperse, get the funds out there. Do you have any  
4 programs in place? How are you working with the  
5 utilities? And is there anything that the  
6 Commission can do to help facilitate the utility's  
7 role in being an advocate and a promoter?

8 I remember the weatherization programs from  
9 back in the '90s, the low-income weatherization  
10 programs. And all of those programs required the  
11 utility to do an initial audit on those facilities,  
12 then come back and do the inspection to make sure  
13 that the dollars that were being invested were  
14 spent in the areas where the consumer could get the  
15 largest return, not based on what the contractor  
16 felt like he could make the most money off of.

17 So how can we work to help you to make sure  
18 this process is getting us the most value for our  
19 dollar?

20 MR. MACK: My initial response would be the  
21 current rebate program that we do not have guidance  
22 from Department of Energy on yet, the program is  
23 not developed yet, and so other energy offices  
24 around the state -- excuse me, around the country,  
25 there are utility programs, rebate programs. We

1 don't have that. And so they are actually taking  
2 the federal funds and plugging them into the  
3 utility -- to assist with the utility programs, to  
4 be able to spread it. And so that's an option here  
5 in Florida, but we don't know what the final  
6 decision is.

7 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Thank you.

8 CHAIRMAN FAY: Great. Commissioners, any  
9 other questions?

10 Commissioner Passidomo, you are recognized.

11 COMMISSIONER PASSIDOMO: Thank you, Mr.

12 Chairman. I have sort of a follow-up, maybe more  
13 specific than Commissioner Clark's question.

14 When it's coming to the home energy, or the  
15 efficiency rebates, are you trying to target  
16 municipalities more or individual customers through  
17 -- through utilities?

18 MR. MACK: The individual customers.

19 COMMISSIONER PASSIDOMO: Okay. And how -- how  
20 do you find is the best way to target them, or to  
21 let them know about these programs? I just -- you  
22 know, especially, if you are talking about lower  
23 income customers, I just think that they probably  
24 have other things on their minds, and this is --  
25 would be the most helpful for them. How are they

1 going to find out about these programs and how they  
2 can participate?

3 Because I know that some of -- we've gone  
4 through, through the NARUC process, about talking  
5 about these federal legislations and, you know,  
6 it's kind of a lengthy, like, application process  
7 through the DOE website. So if there is any way  
8 that your office assists them through that process,  
9 is that something that -- that you guys can do?

10 MR. MACK: Well, there is one thing that we've  
11 talked about, or discussed internally. With the  
12 rebate program, the only guidance that we have  
13 right now are what's called administrative funds  
14 for the rebate program to try to ramp up.

15 One of the things that we have discussed is  
16 actually reaching out to the Public Service  
17 Commission to try to be able to purchase bill  
18 stuffers, if you will, to go out to the customers,  
19 notifying them of the rebate program. So that's  
20 one of the things that's being discussed, giving  
21 them the specifics of the program.

22 COMMISSIONER PASSIDOMO: Okay. That's an  
23 interesting idea. I mean, I think it might be  
24 helpful to work with the utilities specifically as  
25 well. I don't know. Yeah. But I appreciate --

1           yeah, that's just a concern that I have is like --  
2           again, we want the money to come to Florida, of  
3           course, but we also want it to be used effectively  
4           for those customers who need it the most.

5           Thank you.

6           CHAIRMAN FAY: Great. Thank you, Commissioner  
7           Passidomo.

8           Any other questions?

9           Just -- just one quick follow-up. I -- I am  
10          not sure of the best way to frame this, but do you  
11          find that there are, within the Department of  
12          Energy, is -- is -- are there different points of  
13          contact for each type of program? In other words  
14          shall, the State doesn't have the ability to go to  
15          the Department of Energy with some centralized  
16          point of contact and say, you know, we are the  
17          third large state now. Our jurisdiction at the PSC  
18          alone is one of the largest in the country. I  
19          mean, I think our ability at the make an impact  
20          could be significant, but it does seem challenging  
21          to get, kind of, the feedback that we need from all  
22          different agencies, municipalities, state agencies,  
23          private individuals, from the Department of Energy  
24          with better direction.

25          Do you feel like you have been able to make

1           some progress with either a central contact, or  
2           maybe siloed contacts depending on the funding?

3           MR. MACK: It's siloed contacts depending on  
4           the funding.

5           Our main contact is through Energy Efficiency  
6           and Renewable Energy, or the State Energy and  
7           Community Programs that has been renamed, but  
8           that's our main contact. But if there are any  
9           energy issues needing a contact, we are able to  
10          reach out via the silos and try to put people in  
11          appropriate contact.

12          CHAIRMAN FAY: And do you it's in part not  
13          that the funding will get distributed, but more  
14          just a timing issue? Like, it sounds like with  
15          some of these programs, to your comments, that we  
16          are just not quite there yet. Like, they are  
17          finalizing maybe exactly how distribution will  
18          work?

19          MR. MACK: Correct. We have been told what we  
20          were going to receive, but the guidance has not  
21          been given yet.

22          CHAIRMAN FAY: Okay.

23          MR. MACK: One other program that was assigned  
24          by the Governor to the Division of Emergency  
25          Management is the grid resiliency. That did not

1           come through the Energy Office. It went through  
2           Emergency Management. And that particular program,  
3           of course, works with the utilities.

4           CHAIRMAN FAY: Okay. Great. Thank you.

5           Commissioners, seeing no other questions, Mr.  
6           Mack, I know that the Commission -- I say the  
7           Commission, the other Commission, the Commission of  
8           Agriculture and Consumer Services, I know you are  
9           busy and have a lot of work. We really appreciate  
10          the taking the time, and for the Commission  
11          allowing you to come over here and give us the  
12          information. And I think our agency and yours will  
13          be communicating about some of these energy  
14          efficiency things, and information we can put out  
15          to customers and the public that will be helpful.

16          I think we share a common goal of just trying  
17          to get those expended in the way that's best and  
18          appropriate for customers, and make sure they that  
19          it's available if it's something they -- they  
20          qualify for.

21          So thank you again for your time this morning.  
22          We move on to other business in our Internal  
23          Affairs, so you don't have to hang around with us  
24          if you don't want to. We won't be offended by any  
25          means. But thank you again for your time this

1 morning.

2 MR. MACK: Thank you for the opportunity.

3 CHAIRMAN FAY: All right. Commissioners, with  
4 that, next we will move into our General Counsel's  
5 report.

6 MS. HELTON: There is no report, Mr. -- this  
7 morning, Mr. Chairman.

8 CHAIRMAN FAY: Okay. Great. Thank you.  
9 Our Executive Director?

10 MR. BAEZ: Good morning, Mr. Chairman and  
11 Commissioners.

12 CHAIRMAN FAY: Good morning.

13 MR. BAEZ: A couple of items.

14 First, Florida Water -- Florida Community  
15 Water Systems, staff will be holding a virtual  
16 customer meeting on June 20th at 10:00 a.m. The  
17 company filed, in November of '22, for revenue  
18 neutral rate restructuring limited proceeding for  
19 14 systems that it owns in Brevard, Lake and Sumter  
20 Counties, and the notice has been given to the  
21 customers, so mark that -- that should be marked on  
22 your calendars.

23 Secondly, update on the Peoples Gas System  
24 rate case, specifically the customer service  
25 hearings. As I had mentioned before, the in-person

1 customer service hearings are upcoming, Wednesday,  
2 June 28th at 2:00 p.m. in Pembroke Pines, and the  
3 following day, Thursday, June 29th at 2:00 p.m. in  
4 Brandon, in Hillsborough County.

5 There are a number of other ways to  
6 participate, specifically on virtual customer  
7 meetings, which have already been scheduled  
8 July 10th and July 11th at various times, and as  
9 well the technical hearing is scheduled for August  
10 29th, coming end of summer.

11 And now I have another item -- a last item of  
12 interest, and we've got a very small and tightknit  
13 community in the best sense of the word. And in  
14 that vein, it may already widely be known that our  
15 most excellent Director of Economics, Judy Harlow,  
16 will be retiring at the end of July. And while we  
17 are not fully ready to say our farewells today,  
18 that day is going to be way louder and way sadder,  
19 certainly for me. We felt it prudent, and in the  
20 interest of a smooth transition, to announce her  
21 replacement today for the benefit of all involved.

22 And with that, I wanted to announce that  
23 Elisabeth Draper has accepted the great challenge  
24 of replacing Judy. And I am assuming that includes  
25 the uphill battle of getting me to name my cat.



1 It's not going to happen.

2 Elisabeth is a wonderful ambassador for our  
3 agency. And anyone that has heard her speak of the  
4 agency can attest to that. She's been with the  
5 Commission for 29 years. It's amazing, that  
6 number, that it's been -- that time has flown. She  
7 joined us in 1994 as a regulatory analyst with  
8 Electric and Gas. And is now currently, until  
9 further notice, Economics -- the Economic Bureau  
10 Chief in Impact and Rate Design.

11 I can't think of a better person. It was a  
12 difficult decision certainly for Mark, and in  
13 discussing with me. We had -- we had good choices,  
14 and hard choices to make, but I think we've made a  
15 great choice, and I want to congratulate Elisabeth.  
16 And I hope you will join me in congratulating her  
17 and welcoming her to the new post as well. So  
18 thank you for the time, and thank you, Elisabeth,  
19 for agreeing to take on the challenge.

20 That's all I have got. And if you have got  
21 questions, I am happy to answer anything you have.

22 CHAIRMAN FAY: Okay. Commissioners, any  
23 questions for Mr. Baez?

24 Mr. Baez, thank you for the update. I think  
25 it's important to -- for the Commission to have

1 information about transitions like that, and so I  
2 appreciate you bringing them forward. Although,  
3 it's definitely bittersweet, and I am excited for  
4 Ms. Draper, very sad to see Judy --

5 MR. BAEZ: This is the definition of  
6 bittersweet. You always like to see good people,  
7 you know, we have a small agency but good people  
8 move on in their career -- move up in their  
9 careers, but sadly, that involves great people  
10 moving on, so --

11 CHAIRMAN FAY: Yeah. And Judy the Cat, also  
12 sounds like a great cat maybe to have, and maybe  
13 just some --

14 MR. BAEZ: It might -- well, you know, Judas  
15 the Cat is -- is probably more appropriate but, you  
16 know --

17 CHAIRMAN FAY: Yeah. Okay. Okay. Fair  
18 enough. Yeah. Yeah.

19 Okay. Well, Commissioners, seeing any other  
20 questions? None.

21 With that, any other matters? Seeing no other  
22 matters.

23 With that, we conclude Internal Affairs.

24 Thank you.

25 (Proceedings concluded.)

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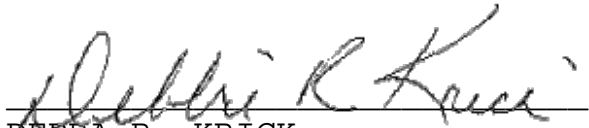
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