# Storm Protection Rule Development Workshop



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#### Outline

- Summary of Senate Bill 796
  - Senate Bill 796 would establish Section 366.96 Florida
     Statutes (F.S.)
- Summary of Draft Rules
  - Stakeholder Comments on Draft Rules
- Stakeholder Comments on Existing Rules
- Additional Topics
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- Section 366.96(1), F.S.
- It is in the state's interest to strengthen electric utility infrastructure to withstand extreme weather conditions.
  - Overhead hardening
  - Undergrounding of certain distribution facilities
  - Vegetation management



- Section 366.96(3), F.S.
- Each public utility shall file a storm protection plan that covers the utility's immediate 10year planning period.
  - The Commission shall adopt rules to specify the elements that must be included in a utility's filing



- Section 366.96(4), F.S.
- In its review of each plan the Commission shall consider
  - The extent to which the plan is expected to reduce restoration costs and outage times associated with extreme weather events and enhance reliability
  - The extent to which storm protection is feasible in certain areas
  - Estimated costs and benefits
  - Estimated annual rate impact for the first 3 years of the plan

- Sections 366.96(5),(6), F.S.
- No later than 180 days after a plan is filed the Commission shall approve, approve with modification, or deny the plan
- At least every three years after approval a utility must file an updated plan



- Section 366.96(7), F.S.
- The Commission shall conduct an annual proceeding to determine prudently incurred storm protection plan costs
  - Costs are allowed to be recovered through a charge separate from base rates



- Sections 366.96(8),(9), F.S.
- Storm protection plan costs may not include costs recovered through base rates and must be allocated to customers based on the last rate design
- A utility may recover annual depreciation and a return on the undepreciated balance using the utility's last approved return on equity



- Section 366.96(11), F.S.
- The Commission shall adopt rules to implement and administer Section 366.96
  - Rules must be proposed no later than October 31, 2019



#### Summary of Draft Rules

- 25-6.030 Storm Protection Plan
  - Minimum filing requirements to meet criteria in Section 366.96(4)
- 25-6.031 Storm Protection Plan Cost Recovery Clause
  - Mechanics and filing requirements for annual clause proceedings



# **Existing Rules**

 Stakeholder comments on existing Commission rules that may be impacted by the new rules

Rule 25-6.0143	Rule 25-6.0455
Rule 25-6.034	Rule 25-6.061
Rule 25-6.0341	Rule 25-6.064
Rule 25-6.0342	Rule 25-6.077
Rule 25-6.0343	Rule 25-6.078
Rule 25-6.0345	Rule 25-6.081
Rule 25-6.044	Rule 25-6.115

# **Additional Topics**

 Stakeholder comments on additional topics identified in the Commission Notice



## **Next Steps**

Written Comments

