



Electric lineworkers have a dangerous and very important job. All hours of the day, 365 days a year, they risk a lot to make sure our lights stay on. Florida Lineworker Appreciation Day was August 26, and the Florida Public Service Commission (PSC) honored the brave men and women who work tirelessly to construct, operate, and maintain the electric system that keeps Florida running.

“When the power goes out, we rely on utility lineworkers to quickly get things back to normal,” said PSC Chairman Julie Brown. “They are among the first responders when storms and natural disasters strike, working to make our communities safe for other public safety heroes.”

Florida’s lineworkers are highly skilled professionals, trained to work safely and efficiently during high winds, rain, and even ice storms. They are prepared when Florida utilities send lineworkers to other parts of the country, when needed, to help restore power to families and businesses struggling after a storm.

“Even when there is no storm or hurricane, lineworkers work daily with high voltage electric lines atop tall utility poles, risking their lives on our behalf. We owe them a huge gratitude.”

*-Chairman Julie Brown*

In 2012, the Florida House of Representatives created Lineworker Appreciation Day, honoring the thousands of workers risking their lives daily to ensure reliable electric delivery throughout the state. Collectively, lineworkers maintain the nation’s more than 5 million miles of power lines, in all weather and other hazardous conditions.