

Report
04/03/2023

**City of Quincy
Report to the Florida Public Service Commission Pursuant to
Rule 25-6.0343, F.A.C.
Calendar Year 2022**

1. Introduction

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2. Number of meters served in calendar year 2022

3. Facility Inspections

- a) **Describe the utility's policies, guidelines, practices, and procedures for inspecting transmission and distribution lines, poles, and structures including, but not limited to, pole inspection cycles and pole selection process.**

The City of Quincy did not do visual inspect any distribution system poles in 2022. Inspection procedures were implemented to use visual and sound and bore methods to inspect poles for the entire system over an 8-year period.

Florida PSC Storm Hardening Report: Rule 25-6.0343 Page 3 Visual inspections were carried out on all 2869 distribution poles for 2021.

Detailed inspections were carried out on all 31 transmission poles for 2021. These poles are made of concrete and all were found to be in good condition. Detailed inspections were carried out on .31% of distribution poles for 2021.

The City of Quincy uses class 3 poles as a minimum for all replacements on poles greater than 30 ft. in length.

- b) **Describe the number and percentage of transmission and distribution inspections planned and completed for 2022.**

No inspections were planned or carried out in 2022 due inspection being completed in 2021.

c) Describe the number and percentage of transmission poles and structures and distribution poles failing inspection in 2022 and the reason for the failure.

No inspections were planned or carried out in 2022 due inspection being completed in 2021.

d) Describe the number and percentage of transmission poles and structures and distribution poles, by pole type and class of structure, replaced or for which remediation was taken after inspection in 2022, including a description of the remediation taken.

The City of Quincy replaced 11 or 2.12% of the distribution poles in 2022 as follows:

(3)- 30' class 6 changed out for rot and clearances

(1)- 35' class 5 changed due to rot, decay, and stress fractures

(5)- 40' class 4 due to rot, decay, and stress fractures

(2)- 45' class 3 due to rot, decay, and stress fractures

4. Vegetation Management

a) Describe the utility's policies, guidelines, practices, and procedures for vegetation management, including programs addressing appropriate planting, landscaping, and problem tree removal practices for vegetation management outside of road right-of-ways or easements, and an explanation as to why the utility believes its vegetation management practices are sufficient.

The City of Quincy trims its electric system right of way on a regular basis using in-house crews. We strive to trim 25% of the system per year.

The City of Quincy has issued a Request for Bids (RFP) for tree trimming services in 2023.

Trees that are outside the city's right-of way that are deemed a threat are removed only after discussion with the owner. At times the City replaces trees for the customers with a slower growth option.

b) Describe the quantity, level, and scope of vegetation management planned and completed for transmission and distribution facilities in 2022.

The City of Quincy completed trimming of 25% of the electric system right of way using in-house crews.

100% of our transmission lines were trimmed in 2021. It is a (1.2) mile line in which several trees were removed that showed signs of leaning into the lines after the heavy rain events of 2021.

The Public Utility Research Center has held two vegetation management workshops in 2007 and 2009. Through FMEA, the City of Quincy has a copy of their reports and will use the information to continually improve vegetation management practices. We will participate in future best-practice workshops if there is interest.