BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

NOTICE OF WORKSHOP

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INVESTOR-OWNED ELECTRIC UTILITIES MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC UTILITIES RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES LOCAL GOVERNMENTS EXPERTS ON ELECTRIC SYSTEM DESIGN AND OPERATIONS

AND

ALL OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES

UNDOCKETED

RE: ELECTRIC INFRASTRUCTURE WORKSHOP

ISSUED: December 20, 2005

NOTICE is hereby given that the Florida Public Service Commission staff will conduct a workshop, in the above-referenced matter, to which all persons are invited, at the following time and place:

9:00 a.m., Monday, January 23, 2006 Room 148, Betty Easley Conference Center 4075 Esplanade Way Tallahassee, Florida

PURPOSE

The purpose of the workshop is to discuss the damage to electric utility facilities incurred due to recent hurricanes and explore ways of minimizing damage and resulting outages to customers in the future. One objective of this workshop will be to identify the type of damage incurred to existing facilities and whether any patterns can be discerned which would assist in developing mitigation techniques. A second objective is to identify areas for more in depth inquiry. The workshop will be conducted by Commission staff, however, one or more Commissioners may be present during the workshop. Utilities should be prepared to discuss in technical detail all studies conducted in house, or at the utility's request, or which they have reviewed, which examines the nature and extent of damage to different types of facilities.

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State and local government officials are invited to make presentations at the beginning of the workshop. Presentations will be limited to 15 minutes per speaker in order to ensure that all who wish to speak are able to do so. By January 16, 2006, any state or local government official wishing to make a presentation should contact Karla Barnes at (850) 413-6101 or kbarnes@psc.state.fl.us, to sign up to speak.

Technical experts on electric system design and operations are invited to participate and provide presentations on their areas of expertise. By January 9, 2006, anyone wishing to make a technical presentation should contact Bob Trapp at (850) 413-6632 or <u>btrapp@psc.state.fl.us</u>, to sign up to speak.

A copy of the workshop agenda is attached, available on the Commission's web site at the link described below, or you may obtain a copy by contacting Karla Barnes, using the contact information listed above.

If you wish to comment but cannot attend the workshop, please file written workshop comments with the Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, or you may file your comments electronically by following the directions posted at the following link: <u>http://www.psc.state.fl.us/RandR/e-req.cfm</u>. All comments should be filed on or before January 16, 2006, and should specifically reference Electric Infrastructure Workshop.

The agenda, pre-filed workshop comments, and other pertinent information are available on the Commission's web site under the following link: http://www.floridapsc.com/industry/electric gas/ei project.cfm.

Any person requiring some accommodation at this workshop because of a physical impairment should call the Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services at (850) 413-6770 at least 48 hours prior to the workshop. Any person who is hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Public Service Commission using the Florida Relay Service, which can be reached at 1 (800) 955-8771 (TDD).

One or more of the Commissioners of the Florida Public Service Commission may attend and participate in the workshop.

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JURISDICTION

Jurisdiction is vested in this Commission pursuant to Chapter 366, Florida Statutes. The workshop will be governed by the provisions of that Chapter and Chapters 25-6, 25-22 and 28-102, Florida Administrative Code.

By DIRECTION of the Florida Public Service Commission this <u>20th</u> day of <u>December</u>, <u>2005</u>.

/s/ Blanca S. Bayó

BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Director Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services

This is a facsimile copy. Go to the Commission's Web site, <u>http://www.floridapsc.com</u> or fax a request to 1-800-413-7118, for a copy of the notice with signature.

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CONSISTENT WITH COMMISSION POLICY, THIS MEETING IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Commission Staff Workshop on Electric Utility Infrastructure

January 23, 2006 at 9:00 a.m. Tallahassee, Florida

Agenda

I. Introduction and Opening remarks

II. Presentations by local government officials

Representatives of local governments are invited to provide their experiences and discuss possible technical measures to mitigate the problems identified.

III. Presentations by technical experts

Technical experts on electric system design and operations are invited to make presentations on studies addressing the nature and causes of storm related damages and possible mitigation techniques.

IV. Presentations by utilities

Utilities will present data on storm damage based on their experiences in 2004 and 2005 hurricane season and discuss possible ways to mitigate similar damage in future storms.

V. Workshop Wrap Up