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Re: Corrected text of Rule 25-6.0343, F.A.C., Effective 12/10/06

Dear Ms. Cloud:

As we discussed this morning, this letter will correct my correspondence of December 21, 2006, requesting correction of Rule 25-6.0343, F.A.C., filed for adoption November 11, 2006 and effective December 10, 2006.

After the effective date of the rule, it was called to my attention that the version filed for adoption did not match the version published in the October 20, 2006, F.A.W. Accordingly, on December 21, 2006, I wrote to request that the version published be substituted for the version filed for adoption. Although the correct version of Rule 25-6.0343 was attached, my correspondence of mistakenly referenced a different rule, Rule 25-6.0345, F.A.C., in both the subject line and text of the letter.

By this corrected letter, I am requesting that you substitute the attached text of Rule 25-6.0343, F.A.C., for the version filed for adoption November 20, 2006, effective December 10, 2006. Please do not hesitate to contact me at (850) 413-6076 if you have any questions. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Larry D. Harris".

Larry D. Harris
Associate General Counsel

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Enclosure
CC: John Rosner, Joint Administrative Procedures Committee

1 25-6.0343 Municipal Electric Utility and Rural Electric Cooperative Reporting Requirements

2 (1) Application and Scope. The purpose of this rule is to define certain reporting
3 requirements by municipal electric utilities and rural electric cooperatives providing
4 distribution service to end-use customers in Florida.

5 (2) The reports required by subsections (3), (4), and (5) of this rule shall be filed with
6 the Director of the Division of Economic Regulation by March 1 of each year for the
7 preceding calendar year.

8 (3) Standards of Construction. Each municipal electric utility and rural electric
9 cooperative shall report the extent to which its construction standards, policies, practices, and
10 procedures are designed to address the ability of transmission and distribution facilities to
11 mitigate damage caused by extreme weather. Each utility report shall, at a minimum, address
12 the extent to which its construction standards, policies, guidelines, practices, and procedures:

13 (a) Comply, at a minimum, with the National Electrical Safety Code (ANSI C-2)
14 [NESC]. For electrical facilities constructed on or after February 1, 2007, the 2007 NESC
15 shall apply. Electrical facilities constructed prior to February 1, 2007, shall be governed by
16 the edition of the NESC in effect at the time of the facility's initial construction. A copy of
17 the 2007 NESC, ISBN number 0-7381-4893-8, may be obtained from the Institute of Electric
18 and Electronic Engineers, Inc. (IEEE).

19 (b) Are guided by the extreme wind loading standards specified by Figure 250-2(d) of
20 the 2002 edition of the NESC for:

- 21 1. new construction;
22 2. major planned work, including expansion, rebuild, or relocation of existing
23 facilities, assigned on or after the effective date of this rule; and
24 3. targeted critical infrastructure facilities and major thoroughfares taking into account
25 political and geographical boundaries and other applicable operational considerations.

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1 (c) Address the effects of flooding and storm surges on underground distribution
2 facilities and supporting overhead facilities.

3 (d) Provide for placement of new and replacement distribution facilities so as to
4 facilitate safe and efficient access for installation and maintenance.

5 (e) Include written safety, pole reliability, pole loading capacity, and engineering
6 standards and procedures for attachments by others to the utility's electric transmission and
7 distribution poles.

8 (4) Facility Inspections. Each municipal electric utility and rural electric cooperative
9 shall report, at a minimum, the following information pertaining to its transmission and
10 distribution facilities:

11 (a) A description of the utility's policies, guidelines, practices, and procedures for
12 inspecting transmission and distribution lines, poles, and structures including, but not limited
13 to, pole inspection cycles and pole selection process.

14 (b) The number and percentage of transmission and distribution inspections planned
15 and completed.

16 (c) The number and percentage of transmission poles and structures and distribution
17 poles failing inspection and the reason for the failure.

18 (d) The number and percentage of transmission poles and structures and distribution
19 poles, by pole type and class of structure, replaced or for which remediation was taken after
20 inspection, including a description of the remediation taken.

21 (5) Vegetation Management. Each municipal electric utility and rural electric
22 cooperative shall report, at a minimum, the following information pertaining to the utility's
23 vegetation management efforts:

24 (a) A description of the utility's policies, guidelines, practices, and procedures for
25 vegetation management, including programs addressing appropriate planting, landscaping, and

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1 problem tree removal practices for vegetation management outside of road right-of-ways or
2 easements, and an explanation as to why the utility believes its vegetation management
3 practices are sufficient.

4 (b) The quantity, level, and scope of vegetation management planned and completed
5 for transmission and distribution facilities.

6 Specific Authority: 350.127(2), 366.05(1) FS.

7 Law Implemented: 366.04(2)(f), 366.04(6) FS.

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