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Ms. Gracia Szczech

Regional Administrator, FEMA Region IV

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Atlanta, GA 30341

RE: Commitment to Obtain and Maintain Insurance

 FEMA Disaster numbers DR-1539, 1545, 1551, 1561, 1595, 1602 & 1609

Dear Ms. Szczech,

(Subgrantee Name)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ received funding under FEMA’s Public Assistance (PA) grant program for one or more facilities damaged by one or more of the federally declared disaster(s) listed above. This letter, submitted in relation to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Office of the Inspector General (OIG) Audit #OIG-15-19, documents our commitment to comply with FEMA’s grant requirements for insuring our building, contents and/or other subject property.

We recognize that we must obtain and maintain insurance to protect against future loss to any damaged facility/facilities and its contents as a condition of receiving PA grant funding, as required by Section 311 of the Stafford Act as amended (42 U.S.C. Section 5154), 44 C.F.R. Sections 206.252-253, FEMA Recovery Policy FP 206-086-1. This condition also appears in the Disaster Funding Agreement(s) signed by us and on file with the State of Florida.

We have been provided a copy of Audit #OIG-15-19 by FEMA via email which states “If the State Insurance Commissioner certifies that the type and extent of insurance is not reasonably available, the Regional Director may waive the requirement in conformity with the certification.” FEMA has notified us that the Regional Director has not received any requests for an insurance waiver for any of the Subgrantees designated in the 2004 and 2005 events in the State of Florida. For buildings, contents and/or other subject property that currently lack the required insurance coverage, we accordingly agree to procure insurance in an amount that is at least equal to the amount of damage that was eligible arising from these storm events.

We acknowledge that we have reviewed the above-reference Recovery Policies and we understand that we must maintain insurance for the anticipated life of the building, contents and/or other subject property. However, our understanding is that electric utility facilities (i.e. poles and wires) are not considered property covered by insurance (see attached letter from our insurance provider). We acknowledge that a failure to provide evidence of insurance coverage on the subject insurable items may result in future de-obligations of previously awarded funding. As a result, we further acknowledge that a failure to adhere to the “obtain and maintain” grant condition will result in our insurable items being ineligible for FEMA PA funding in any future major disaster.

 Sincerely,

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 (Signature) (Date)

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 (Name of Subgrantee)

cc: FDEM

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