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Public Service Commission

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Mr. Bill Willingham General Manager Florida Electric Cooperatives Association 2916 Apalachee Parkway Tallahassee, FL 32301

Dear Mr. Willingham:

As you are aware, Florida's electric cooperative utilities provide annual reports to the Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC) on their efforts to strengthen the electric grid and distribution system from the impact of hurricanes and other natural disasters. It is an opportunity for each electric cooperative utility to highlight its efforts to ensure the reliability of Florida's electric system and discuss best practices used in the industry. In anticipation of the upcoming storm season in Florida, the FPSC is very interested in hearing about your member electric cooperative utilities' hurricane preparedness plans for 2017, as well as any lessons learned from this past hurricane season.

I would like to invite you to attend a Commission Meeting scheduled for April 20, 2017, at 1:30 p.m., in the Internal Affairs Room of the Gerald L. Gunter Building to discuss how your member electric cooperative utilities are addressing customer needs during storm-related events, including restoration and communication efforts. The Commission looks forward to your participation.

Please do not hesitate to contact my office with any questions you may have. If you intend on using any form of electronic presentation or visuals, please send them electronically to Mark Futrell at mfutrell@psc.state.fl.us by Tuesday, April 4, 2017.

Kind regards,

Julie I. Brown Chairman