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2 **CHAIRMAN BROWN:** All right. Moving on to
3 Item 11.

4 **MS. BRUCE:** Good morning, Commissioners.

5 **CHAIRMAN BROWN:** Good morning.

6 **MS. BRUCE:** I am Sonica Bruce on behalf of
7 Commission staff. Item No. 11 addresses the --
8 addresses Little Gasparilla's request to extend the time
9 to complete the Phase II pro forma plant items. On
10 January 5th, 2016, the Commission granted the utility
11 six months to complete the pro forma items, which should
12 have been completed on June 3rd, 2016. However, on
13 May 19th, the utility requested that it be granted a
14 second extension of approximately six months to complete
15 the Phase II pro forma plant items.

16 Staff recommends that this -- staff recommends
17 that this extension be granted. OPC does not plan on
18 speaking on this item. The utility is not present, and
19 there has been no customer contact regarding the
20 extension. Staff is prepared to answer any questions
21 that you may have.

22 **CHAIRMAN BROWN:** Thank you.

23 Commissioners, do you have any comments or
24 questions? I do. When does the utility expect the SBA
25 to issue the guarantee on the loan?

1 **MS. BRUCE:** I've been in contact with Mr. --
2 with the utility, and he mentioned that they're looking
3 for it maybe within the next couple of months. The bank
4 has approved the loan; however, they're just waiting on
5 the SBA.

6 **CHAIRMAN BROWN:** Is December 15th of this year
7 really a reasonable date, though, to complete the pro
8 forma construction, the new building, along with the
9 meter replacements with the expected delay of the SBA
10 guarantee?

11 **MS. BRUCE:** I asked Mr. -- the utility owner,
12 and he mentioned that he thought that the time was --
13 that would be enough time to complete. I didn't think
14 it was, but he said it was, so I have to go -- just
15 gauge by what he thinks.

16 **CHAIRMAN BROWN:** And, again, Office of Public
17 Counsel doesn't have any comments or complaints about
18 the delay?

19 **MS. BRUCE:** No. Correct.

20 **CHAIRMAN BROWN:** Okay. Commissioners, any
21 thoughts or comments? Can I get a motion?

22 **COMMISSIONER EDGAR:** Move staff.

23 **COMMISSIONER PATRONIS:** Second.

24 **CHAIRMAN BROWN:** All those in favor?

25 (Affirmative vote taken.)

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MS. BRUCE: Thank you.

CHAIRMAN BROWN: Okay. Motion passes. Thank
you.

(Agenda item concluded.)


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3 COUNTY OF LEON)

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