

Review of Electric Utility Hurricane Preparedness and Restoration Actions

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Electric Utility Provider : EI802 - Florida Power & Light Company

Zip Code : 33062

Category : Other

Comments : FPL has been insufficiently effective in hardening it's infrastructure against wind storms. Placing the utilities underground would be helpful in this regard. But, FPL quotes outrageous cost to move the power grid underground. The PSC should be open to public bid work to improve power distribution by moving power lines underground. The PSC in granting FPL more funds for repair encourages the utility to run repair, maintenance and improvement arms of the company as semi-independent profit generating cost centers. FPL has no incentive to make power distribution resistant to storms when the repair process can generate greater income than the return on providing power.