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# Public Service Commission

October 21, 2021

**Commission Staff Data Request**  
*Sent Via E-mail*

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**RE: Docket No. 20210138-PU – Proposed adoption of Rule 25-18.020, F.A.C, Pole Inspection and Maintenance.**

Dear Ms. West:

Pursuant to 366.04(9)(c), F.S., Commission staff is requesting your responses to the following:<sup>1</sup>

1. Please provide the total number of poles owned by your company that have public utility attachments.
2. Please provide the current maintenance inspection cycle or schedule for poles with public utility attachments.
3. Please provide the current maintenance techniques used for poles with public utility attachments.
4. For your most recent maintenance inspection cycle/schedule for poles identified in question 1, please provide the following information:
  - a. The number of poles that were scheduled for inspection;
  - b. The number of poles actually inspected;
  - c. The number of poles that failed inspection;
  - d. The number of poles strength tested;
  - e. The number of poles that failed strength testing;
  - f. The number of poles repaired and a summary of the repairs;
  - g. The number of poles replaced and reason for replacement;
  - h. The number of poles relocated and reason for relocation;
  - i. The total miles of vegetation management conducted; and

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<sup>1</sup> "Public Utility" as used in this data request is defined in Section 366.02(1), Florida Statutes.

- j. The total miles of vegetation management conducted for each technique used.
5. Please provide the criteria/standards used for replacement of existing poles with public utility attachments.
  6. Please provide the criteria/standards used for construction of new poles with public utility attachments.
  7. Please provide the criteria/standards used for repair of existing poles with public utility attachments.
  8. Please explain how the company ensures its poles with public utility attachments meet National Electrical Safety Code (NESC) strength and clearance requirements.
  9. Please provide the vegetation management schedules for poles with public utility attachments. As part of your response, please also identify and explain the type of vegetation management techniques utilized.
  10. Please provide a description of your company's emergency response and storm restoration procedures and protocols with respect to poles with public utility attachments.
  11. Please file at least two of your company's attachment agreements that demonstrate the standard or general terms that are contained in these types of agreements.
  12. Do your company's attachment agreements with public utilities reference any standards, codes, or requirements in regard to pole maintenance or inspection? If yes, please provide an example of the standards, codes, or requirements included in the agreement.

Please file all responses electronically no later than November 10, 2021, via the Commission's website at [www.floridapsc.com](http://www.floridapsc.com) by selecting the Clerk's Office tab and Electronic Filing Web Form. Direct your responses to the Docket No. 20210138-PU. Please contact me at [aharper@psc.state.fl.us](mailto:aharper@psc.state.fl.us) or at 850-413-6082 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

*/s/ Adria E. Harper*

Adria E. Harper  
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Cc: Office of the Commission Clerk

## Julie Phillips

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**From:** Margo DuVal  
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**Attachments:** Windstream data request.pdf

Good afternoon,

Attached, please find Commission Staff's Data Request in Docket No. 20210138-PU, regarding the proposed adoption of Rule 25-18.020, Florida Administrative Code (pole inspection and maintenance).

Thank you,

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