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From: Office of Commissioner Passidomo
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Please place in Docket No. 20240000.

Thank you.

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From: Rachael Ignatoff <rachymom@comcast.net>
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Dear [RecipientTitle] Passidomo,

I'm a mother who just wants a livable future for me and my generation.

Florida's power lines have been using the same, outdated technology for over a century. Wildly better technology is now available that replaces heavy steel, which causes "sagging", with indestructible, sag-free carbon fiber. For new and existing lines alike, this new technology can save boatloads of money while increasing transmission capacity and preventing wildfires and other dangerous accidents.

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Shifting to this new technology is a no-brainer - but very few utilities are even considering it. Why? Because utilities are notoriously change-averse. As monopolies, they have little incentive to innovate and improve.

That's where you come in. I urge you to use your regulatory power to incentivize utilities to implement this new power line technology.

It shouldn't be a hard sell. It will save them and their ratepayers money, decrease public safety risks, and help get more clean, planet-saving energy on the grid. But utilities will not act without a strong push by regulators.

This is a critical step in securing our energy future. Please help get this powerful technology deployed in our communities.

Sincerely,

Rachael Ignatoff

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