## BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Review of 2007 Electric Infrastructure Storm Hardening Plan filed pursuant to Rule 25-6.0342, Florida Administrative Code, submitted by Tampa Electric Company. Docket No. 070297-EI

Filed: June 13, 2007

## **Petition to Intervene**

Pursuant to Rule 25-22.039, Florida Administrative Code, the Florida Cable Telecommunications Association, Inc. ("FCTA") respectfully asks that the Commission allow FCTA to intervene in this proceeding, and in support thereof, states as follows:

- 1. The FCTA is a non-profit trade association representing the cable telecommunications industry in the State of Florida, cable companies providing cable services and information services in the State of Florida, as well as certificated competitive local exchange carriers ("CLECs") providing voice communications services in the State of Florida ("FCTA members"). The FCTA's business address is 246 E. 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Tallahassee, FL 32303.
- 2. The name and address of the person authorized to receive all notices, pleadings and other communications in this Docket is:

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3. Cable systems, including those of FCTA members, distribute service through a community along lines and cables that extend either above ground attached to utility poles or below ground through conduits and trenches. FCTA members attach their facilities to poles owned by Florida IOUs, including Tampa Electric Company ("TECO"), and have existing

agreements with TECO for attachments to such poles. As such, FCTA members are "third party attachers" as contemplated by Rule 25-6.0342, Florida Administrative Code, and their substantial interests will necessarily be directly and profoundly impacted by the Commission's decision with regard to TECO's Storm Hardening Plan in this Docket. Furthermore, FCTA has associational standing to participate in this proceeding representing the interests of its members, a substantial number of whom would otherwise have the right to participate individually in this matter. See Hunt v. Washington State Apple Advertising Commission, 432 U.S. 333 (1977); and Florida Home Builders Ass'n. v. Dept. of Labor, 412 So. 2d 351 (Fla. 1982).

Respectfully submitted this 13th day of June, 2007.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the Florida Cable Telecommunication Association, Inc.'s Petition to Intervene has been served upon Tampa Electric Company through its attorneys, Lee L. Willis and James D. Beasley of the Ausley Law Firm, P.O. Box 391, Tallahassee, FL 32302, and that a copy has also been provided via Hand Delivery or US Mail to the persons listed below this <u>13th</u> day of June, 2007:

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