UNITED **Electric** COMPANY

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Mr. Thomas Campbell Executive Director Florida Building Commission And Mr. Richard S. Browdy Chairman Florida BuildingCommission % John Barber of Windermuller

Re: <u>Modification E6460</u> seems to say that "A lightning system shall be provided for all new buildings and additions in accordance with NEPA 780" (we would like to have you to add) **or HBP-21 or other alternative equivalent** standard for the installation of lightning protection systems.

The main reason is for you to say is that equally effective systems like Early Streamer Emission System (called ESE type) this would include alternate equal lightning systems like ESE systems. Without the added wording you are excluding all systems except for NFPA780 faraday cage and excludes the free trade and inhibits free enterprise by creating a monopoly for the faraday manufactures only. It seems that that this would create an illegal action on your part

There should be an option for owners to choose, that has equal protection, established standards, and cost effective advantages.

Thank you for your consideration on this action. Sincerely,

United Electric Co of Jax

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