

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of the Joint Application of)
GridLiance High Plains LLC, GridLiance GP,)
LLC, and GridLiance Holdco, LP (“GridLiance”))
NextEra Energy Transmission Investments, LLC,) Case No. EM-_____
and NextEra Energy Transmission, LLC)
 (“NextEra Entities”) for approval of the)
Acquisition of GridLiance by the NextEra)
Entities)

**MOTION FOR EXPEDITED TREATMENT
AND SCHEDULING OF PREHEARING CONFERENCE**

NextEra Energy Transmission Investments, LLC (“NETI”), and NextEra Energy Transmission, LLC (“NEET”), as well as GridLiance High Plains LLC (“GridLiance HP”), GridLiance GP, LLC, and GridLiance Holdco, LP (“GridLiance Holdco”) (collectively the “GridLiance Entities”) together, the “Joint Applicants” have, contemporaneously herewith, submitted their Joint Application in the above-referenced matter. In support of this Motion, Joint Applicants respectfully state as follows:

1. As described in more detail in the Joint Application and the attached supporting materials, NEET and NETI have agreed to acquire the upstream ownership interests of the GridLiance Entities, including GridLiance HP (the “Proposed Transaction”). This acquisition will occur at the holding company level and GridLiance HP will remain the operating public utility in Missouri. The Proposed Transaction will leave in place the direct and indirect wholly-owned subsidiaries of GridLiance Holdco, including GridLiance HP, and all intermediary holding companies, and all of the subsidiaries’ licenses, registrations, permits, personnel, facilities, and credit facilities.

2. To the extent the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Commission”) finds it has jurisdiction over the Proposed Transaction, Joint Applicants seek expedited treatment and request that the Commission convene a prehearing conference as soon as practicable.

3. 20 CSR 4240-2.080 (14) requires a Motion for Expedited Treatment to specify:

(A) The date by which the party desires the commission to act;

(B) The harm that will be avoided, or the benefit that will accrue, including a statement of the negative effect, or that there will be no negative effect, on the party's customers or the general public, if the commission acts by the date desired by the party; and

(C) That the pleading was filed as soon as it could have been or an explanation why it was not.

4. As noted in the Joint Application, Joint Applicants submit that it is not clear that the Commission has jurisdiction over a holding company to holding company transaction, and request in the Joint Application that the Commission either issue an Order disclaiming jurisdiction or an Order approving the Proposed Transaction as not detrimental to the public interest.

5. Joint Applicants respectfully request that the Commission issue its Order on the Joint Application as expeditiously as possible, or by February 19, 2021. There will be no negative impact on the general public, and no negative impact on GridLiance HP’s customers, as GridLiance HP has no retail customers within the State of Missouri. Rather, the Proposed Transaction is anticipated to benefit GridLiance HP’s Missouri transmission operations through GridLiance HP becoming a member of the NextEra family of companies and thereby retaining its access to financial markets and gaining access to the operational and technical expertise possessed by NEET.

6. The Joint Application was filed as soon as practicable, allowing for the preparation of the Joint Application and associated documentation subsequent to the September 29, 2020 execution of the Purchase and Sale Agreement governing the Proposed Transaction.

7. In order to establish an expedited procedural schedule, pursuant to 20 CSR 4240-2.090(4), Joint Applicants request that the Commission convene a prehearing conference as soon as practicable.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing was served upon all parties of record by e-mail or U.S. mail, postage prepaid, this 20th day of October, 2020.

/s/ Anne E. Callenbach

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