

# 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	)	<b><u>File No. EM-2021-0114</u></b>
Transmission Investments, LLC, and	)	
NextEra Energy Transmission, LLC	)	
("NextEra Entities") for approval of the	)	
Acquisition of GridLiance by the NextEra	)	
Entities	)	

## ORDER DIRECTING RESPONSES AND TEMPORARILY SUSPENDING FILING OF STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Issue Date: December 23, 2020

Effective Date: December 23, 2020

On October 20, 2020, a joint application was filed with the Missouri Public Service Commission requesting either that the Commission approve an acquisition of certain transmission assets, or that the Commission find it lacks jurisdiction over the matter. The Commission directed the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) to respond with a recommendation by November 23, 2020, which was subsequently extended to December 23, 2020.

On December 22, 2020, Staff filed a motion requesting that its obligation to file the recommendation be postponed, and that the applicants be made to file a status report on January 31, 2021.

Due to the immediacy of the deadline for the filing of Staff's recommendation, the Commission will temporarily suspend Staff's obligation pending responses from the other parties. The Commission will take no action at this time regarding Staff's second request

that the applicants file a status report. Therefore, the Commission will direct that any party wishing to respond to Staff's two requests do so.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. Staff's request to suspend its obligation to file its recommendation is temporarily granted.
2. Any party wishing to respond to Staff's motion, either on the requested suspension of the Staff recommendation, or the request to direct the filing of a status report, or both, shall do so no later than January 4, 2021.
3. This order shall be effective when issued.



**BY THE COMMISSION**

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff  
Secretary

Charles Hatcher, Regulatory Law Judge,  
by delegation of authority pursuant to  
Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of December, 2020.

**STATE OF MISSOURI**

**OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.**

**WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of December, 2020.**



  
**Morris L. Woodruff**  
**Secretary**

## **MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**December 23, 2020**

**File/Case No. EM-2021-0114**

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***Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).***

***Sincerely,***

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

**Morris L. Woodruff  
Secretary**

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