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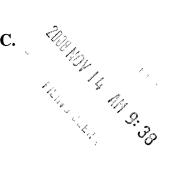
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"PUC Investigation of Methods to Improve Electric and Telecom Infrastructure To Minimize Long Term Outages and Restoration Costs Associated with Gulf Coast Hurricanes"

This is to update the Commission of West Plains' efforts regarding its vegetation management program and on-going ground-based inspection program for overhead facilities. West Plains Telecommunications employees make routine inspections, as time allows, of all overhead facilities to make sure that vegetation is kept trimmed and away from all overhead cable, poles, and pole attachments. These inspections are monitored by a supervisor and result in the facilities being kept in well-maintained order and fully operational.

Please advise if any further information is needed at this time.

Sincerely,

Sandy Vandevender Executive Vice President and General Manager

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