

INTERNAL STAFF UPDATE*

Tuesday, October 27, 2015

Utilities – Duke Energy Foothills Project:

Dukes Scott has been working with Clark Gillespy and Duke Energy, and they have let Mr. Scott know they have revised plans to put transmission lines through the northwestern portion of South Carolina to support the new Asheville plant. There will be no substations or transmission lines built in South Carolina to support the project. Mr. Scott is letting public representatives who have been involved in the process know of this revised plan today (with the permission of Duke Energy) and an announcement could come as soon as tomorrow. We had heard from a number of constituents on this issue and referred them to ORS, and ORS worked closely with both Duke Energy and constituents on this issue.

Legislative – Special Senate Committee on Flood:

Tomorrow at 10:00 a.m., a Special Senate Committee on Flood Relief Efforts convened by Senator Leatherman will meet to hear testimony from General Livingston, Director Kim Stenson, Commissioner Hugh Weathers, Secretary Christy Hall, and Director Catherine Heigel. The Senate invited FEMA, but no one from FEMA will attend. Members include Senators Leatherman, Peeler, Setzler, Jackson, Grooms, Cromer, McElveen, Sabb, and Shealy.

Emergency Management:

High Tides – Today, our coastal counties had to deal with the rising of an unusually high tide. Georgetown County reported removing two persons who were stranded in vehicles – no injuries reported – and prepositioned johnboats in anticipation of additional needs. No requests for State assistance were made.

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