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Ms. Blanca S. Bayo, Director Division of Records and Reporting Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

> Re: Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Recovery Clause with Generating Performance Incentive Factor; FPSC Docket No. 970001-EI

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing in the above docket are fifteen (15) copies of Tampa Electric Company's Motion for Extension of Time to File Rebuttal Testimony.

Please acknowledge receipt and filing of the above by stamping the duplicate copy of this letter and returning same to this writer.

Thank you for your assistance in connection with this matter.

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Recovery Factor and Generating Performance Incentive Factor.

DOCKET NO. 970001-EI FILED: July 15, 1997

TAMPA ELECTRIC COMPANY'S NOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE REBUTTAL TESTIMONY

Tampa Electric Company ("Tampa Electric" or "the company") moves the Commission for an extension of time within which to submit rebuttal testimony, and as grounds therefor, says:

1. The upcoming August 1997 fuel adjustment hearing involves issues pertaining to the effect of Orders 888 and 888A on Florida interchange transactions. After receiving the prepared direct testimony of other investor-owned utilities on this subject, Tampa Electric, on July 8, 1997, notified attorneys for the other utilities that the company may be submitting written comments in the form of rebuttal testimony pertaining to the other utilities' positions on this issue.

2. On July 11, 1997 counsel for Tampa Electric attempted to schedule a deposition of Florida Power & Light Company's witness on this issue at some time during the week of July 14, 1997. However, we were advised that either FPL's counsel or the FPL witness would not be available for a deposition during that week. On July 14, 1997 we were advised that FPL's witness would be available on July 22, 1997. The deposition is now noticed for 2:00 p.m. on July 22, 1997.

3. Tampa Electric wishes to avail itself of an opportunity, if necessary, to submit rebuttal testimony which may, in part, be fashioned based on the information obtained at the above-referenced deposition. The undersigned has contacted counsel for Florida Power & Light Company and requested that FPL concur in the requested extension of time.

4. Tampa Electric needs three business days after the abovereferenced deposition is conducted in order to finalize its rebuttal testimony. With the deposition now scheduled for July 22, 1997, Tampa Electric requests an extension of time through and including July 25, 1997 in order to submit rebuttal testimony now scheduled for July 21, 1997.

5. In addition, Staff filed testimony on July 14, 1997 which introduces issues which have not been previously identified in this proceeding and which propose a basic change in incentives provided on Florida Energy Broker sales. The company needs additional time to address the fundamental changes proposed by Staff in its testimony.

WHEREFORE, Tampa Electric Company requests an extension of time for all parties through and including July 25, 1997 within which to submit rebuttal testimony in the above proceeding.

DATED this 15th day of July, 1997.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true copy of the foregoing Motion for Extension of Time, filed on behalf of Tampa Electric Company, has been furnished by U. S. Mail or hand delivery (*) on this _____ day of July, 1997 to the following:

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