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

Re: Docket No. 971320-GU -- Petition for order approving Tampa Electric Company d/b/a Peoples Gas System's methodology for cost allocation used in calculating multiple purchased gas adjustment factors

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing in the above docket on behalf of Peoples Gas System, a division of Tampa Electric Company, please find the original and 15 copies of Peoples' Notice of Response to Staff's First Request for Production of Documents.

Please acknowledge your receipt and filing of the enclosures by stamping the duplicate copy of this letter which is enclosed and returning the same to the undersigned.

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition for order approving			
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Gas System's methodology for cost			
allocation used in calculating multiple			
purchased gas adjustment factors.			

DOCKET NO. 971320-GU

Submitted for Filing: 12-2-97

PEOPLES GAS SYSTEM'S NOTICE OF RESPONSE TO STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS

Peoples Gas System, a division of Tampa Electric Company ("Peoples"), by its undersigned attorneys, hereby gives notice that it has responded to Staff's First Request for Production of Documents, served October 22, 1997, by making true copies of the documents requested available to Jorge Cruz-Bustillo, Staff Counsel, to the extent such documents were within the possession and control of Peoples. Seventeen documents responsive to the Staff's First Request contain proprietary confidential business information and have been filed with the Commission's Division of Records and Reporting, together with a request for confidential treatment of such information. A copy of each such document, with the proprietary confidential business information reducted, has also been furnished to Mr. Cruz-Bustillo.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a copy of this Notice and the original and one copy of this Notice has been furnished via Federal Express to Jorge Cruz-Bustillo, Staff Counsel, this 1st day of December, 1997.

Ansley Watson, Jr.