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

> Re: Petition of Tampa Electric Company for Variance or Waiver of Certain Aspects of Rule 25-6.015, F.A.C., Record Retention Requirements; FPSC Docket No. 971615-EG

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing in the above docket are the original and fifteen (15) copies of Tampa Electric Company's Withdrawal of Petition for Rule Variance or Waiver.

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.

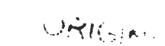
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Sincerely,

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition of Tampa Electric Company for Variance or Waiver of Certain Aspects of Rule 25-6.015, F.A.C., Record Retention Requirements.)

DOCKET NO. 971617-EG FILED: February 27, 1998

TAMPA ELECTRIC COMPANY'S WITHDRAWAL OF PETITION FOR RULE VARIANCE OR WAIVER

Tampa Electric Company hereby withdraws its Petition filed in

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the above docket. DATED this 27 day of February, 1998.

Respectfully submitted,

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