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The FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION announces a hearing to be held in the following docket, to which all interested persons are invited.

Docket No. 980693-EI - Petition by Tampa Electric Company for approval of cost recovery for a new environmental program, the Big Bend Units 1 & 2 Flue Gas Desulfurization System.

DATE AND TIME: September 2, 1998, 9:30 a.m.

PLACE: Commission Hearing Room 148, The Betty Easley Conference Center, 4075 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee, Florida

The hearing may be continued on September 11, 1998 at 2:30 a.m. in Tallahassee, The Betty Easley Conference Center, Room 148, if necessary.

PURPOSE: To permit parties to present testimony and exhibits relative to the Petition by Tampa Electric Company for approval of cost recovery for a new environmental program, the Big Bend Units 1 & 2 Flue Gas Desulfurization System and for such other purposes as the Commission may deem appropriate. At the hearing, all parties shall be given the opportunity to present testimony and other evidence on the issues identified by the parties at the prehearing conference held on August 21, 1998. All witnesses shall be subject to cross-examination at the conclusion of their testimony. The proceedings will be governed by the provisions of Chapter 120, F.S., and Chapter 25-22, F.A.C. Any person requiring some accommodation at this hearing because of a physical impairment should call the Division of Records and Reporting at (850)413-6770 at least 48 hours prior to the hearing. Any person who is hearing or speech impaired should

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