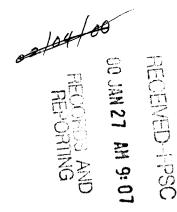


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> > Re: Petition of Tampa Electric Company to Close Rate Schedules IS-3 and IST-3, and appprove new Rate Schedules GSLM-2 and GSLM-3; Docket No. 990037-EI

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing are the original and fifteen (15) copies of Settlement Stipulation and Motion for Acceptance of Stipulation and Closure of this Docket in the above-referenced matter.

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

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In re: Petition of Tampa Electric Company to close Rate Schedules IS-3 and IST-3 and approve new Rate Schedules GSLM-2 and GSLM-3

DOCKET NO. 990037-EI

SETTLEMENT STIPULATION AND MOTION FOR ACCEPTANCE OF STIPULATION AND CLOSURE OF THIS DOCKET

This Stipulation is entered into on this 25 day of January 2000 by and between the Florida Industrial Power Users Group ("FIPUG"), Coronet Industries, Inc. ("Coronet") and Tampa Electric Company ("Tampa Electric") (collectively, the "Parties") with regard to the matters at issue in Docket 990037-EI.

The Parties continue to disagree with regard to the cost effectiveness of Rate Schedules IS-3, IST-3 and SBI-3. By their agreement to this stipulation FIPUG and Coronet do not accept the cost effectiveness methodology used or waive their right to contest it in another proceeding. However, despite this difference of opinion, the Parties hereby agree and recommend to the Florida Public Service Commission that Rate Schedules IS-3, IST-3 and SBI-3 be closed to new business, as of the date of the Commission Order approving this Stipulation. FIPUG further hereby agrees to withdraw its protest to Commission Order No. PSC-99-1778-FOF-EI.

It is stipulated that customer accounts receiving service under Rate Schedules IS-3, IST-3 and SBI-3, as of the date of the Commission Order approving this stipulation, shall continue to receive such service pursuant to the terms and conditions of said Rate Schedules, provided that such end use is not materially altered and so long as such loads continue to DOCUMENT NUMBER-DATE

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meet the eligibility provisions of the applicable Rate Schedule. Subject to the abovementioned limitations, periodic changes in demand and consumption for those accounts under the IS and SBI Rate Schedules shall be accommodated pursuant to the terms and conditions of those rate schedules. This entitlement shall not be forfeited by the sale of a company or location taking service under one of the above-mentioned accounts or the relocation of service for existing accounts. It is agreed that customers taking service under all IS and SBI Rate Schedules and customers taking electric service under the new Rate Schedules GSLM-2 and GSLM-3 shall be treated as a single customer class with regard to interruption of service and the operation of the optional purchase power provision.

The parties further stipulate and agree that Rate Schedule GSLM-2 and GSLM-3 be adopted, without amendment, and made effective as of the date of the Commission order adopting this Stipulation.

The parties further hereby request the prehearing officer assigned to this docket immediately suspend the procedural schedule established for this case in Order No. PSC-00-0114-PCO-EI issued January 12, 2000.

Finally the parties further stipulate, agree and hereby move the Commission that this Settlement Stipulation be approved and that Docket No. 990037-EI be closed concurrent with the Commission adoption of this Stipulation.

This Settlement Stipulation may be executed in counterpart originals and a facsimile of the original signature shall be deemed an original.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true copy of the foregoing Settlement Stipulation has been

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