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### **HAND DELIVERED**

Ms. Blanca S. Bayo, Director Division of Commission Clerk and Administrative Services 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. 030001-EI

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing in the above docket are the original and ten (10) copies of Tampa Electric Company's Request for Confidential Classification of certain information contained in the Direct Testimony and Exhibit (WBM-1) of William B. McNulty.

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.

Sincerely,

James D. Beasley

JDB/pp Enclosure

cc: All Parties of Record (w/enc.)

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#### BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

| In re: Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Recovery | ) |                         |
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| Clause with Generating Performance Incentive  | ) | DOCKET NO. 030001-EI    |
| Factor.                                       | ) | FILED: November 7, 2003 |
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## TAMPA ELECTRIC COMPANY'S REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION

Tampa Electric Company ("Tampa Electric" or "the company"), pursuant to Section 366.093, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code, hereby requests confidential classification of certain highlighted information contained in the Direct Testimony of William B. McNulty filed in this proceeding on October 23, 2003 and highlighted portions of the Exhibit (WBM-1) which accompanied that testimony (the "Confidential Information"). The Commission's Staff filed the above testimony and exhibit under a separate transmittal memorandum marked "CONFIDENTIAL" with the confidential information highlighted in yellow. Attached hereto as Exhibit "A" is a justification for designating the Confidential Information proprietary confidential business information under the above-referenced statute and rule.

- 1. Subsection 366.093(1), Florida Statutes, provides that any records "found by the Commission to be proprietary confidential business information shall be kept confidential and shall be exempt from s.119.07(1) [requiring disclosure under the Public Records Act]." The proprietary confidential business information includes, but is not limited to:
  - (d) Information concerning bids or other contractual data, the disclosure of which would impair the efforts of the public utility or its affiliates to contract for goods or services on favorable terms. (Section 366.093(3)(d), Florida Statutes)
  - 2. Proprietary confidential business information also includes:

(e) Information relating to competitive interests, the disclosure of which would impair the competitive business of the provider of the information. (Section 366.093(3)(e), Florida Statutes)

3. The Confidential Information falls within the above statutory categories and, thus, constitutes proprietary confidential business information entitled to protection under Section

366.093 and Rule 25-22.006.

4. The material for which confidential classification is sought is intended to be and is treated by Tampa Electric as private and has not been disclosed.

5. The request for confidential classification is intended to serve as Tampa Electric's

motion for a protective order pursuant to Rule 25-22.006(6), Florida Administrative Code.

WHEREFORE, Tampa Electric respectfully requests that highlighted portions of the Confidential Information contained in the Direct Testimony of William B. McNulty and the accompanying Exhibit (WBM-1) be accorded confidential classification for the reasons set forth above.

DATED this \_\_\_\_day of November 2003.

Respectfully submitted,

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# JUSTIFICATION FOR CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE PREPARED DIRECT TESTIMONY OF WILLIAM B. MCNULTY AND ACCOMPANYING EXHIBIT (WBM-1))

| Testimony Page &Line No.                     | <u>Description</u>                                       | Rationale   |
|--|--|-------------|
| Page 5, lines 3 and 8                        | The highlighted reference to the proposed bidder         | (1)         |
| Page 12, lines 13, 16, 21, 22, 23 and 24     | The highlighted reference to the proposed bidder         | (1)         |
| Page 13, lines 2, 4, 6, 7 and 12             | The highlighted reference to the proposed bidder         | (1)         |
| Page 14, lines 8, 10, 14, 20, 21 and 23      | The highlighted reference to the proposed bidder         | (1)         |
| Page 15, lines 1, 3 and 6                    | The highlighted reference to the proposed bidder         | (1)         |
| Page 5, lines 5, 6 and 7                     | The highlighted dollar amounts                           | (2)         |
| Page 13, line 25                             | The highlighted percentage                               | (3)         |
| Page 14, line 12                             | The highlighted amount                                   | (4)         |
| Page 14, line 24                             | The highlighted dollar amount                            | (4)         |
| Page 15, lines 3 and 4                       | The highlighted dollar amount                            | (2) and (4) |
| Page 16, line 12, 13 and 14                  | The highlighted percentage amount and the dollar amounts | (5)         |
| Exhibit (WBM-1) - Page 1 of 1                |  |             |
| Columns (D), (E), (F), (G), (H), (I) and (J) | All highlighted values                                   | (2) and (4) |
|  | The dollar amount shown in Footnote (1)                  | (4)         |
| Exhibit (WBM-3) – Page 1 of 1                |  |             |
| Columns (B), (D), (F) and (H)                | All highlighted values                                   | (5)         |

- (1) This information discloses the identity of coal transportation contract bidders. Public disclosure of this information would harm the competitive interests of TECO Transport and would also compromise Tampa Electric's competitive position in future efforts to negotiate waterborne transportation services. Disclosing bidders identities would discourage those bidders from participation in future RFPs as they do not desire for their competitors to have knowledge as to the contracts they bid on. Consequently, public disclosure of the information in question would adversely affect the competitive interests of TECO Transport and the ability of Tampa Electric to contract for goods and services on favorable terms. As such, the information in question is entitled to confidential protection under Section 366.093(d) and (e), Florida Statutes.
- (2) The values in question disclose or would enable someone to use this information with other publicly available information to ascertain the transportation contract rate under the 2004 2008 Tampa Electric/TECO Transport contract. Public disclosure of this information would harm the competitive interests of Tampa Electric and TECO Transport. Public disclosure of existing contractual data would adversely affect the competitive and contractual positions of the parties to the agreement. As such, the information in question is entitled to confidential protection under Section 366.093(d) and (e), Florida Statutes.
- (3) This shows the witness's calculation of the extent to which Tampa Electric's coal requirements for 2005 have not been locked up by Tampa Electric as of October 3, 2003. This discloses the extent to which the company may or may not have flexibility to purchase additional coal which provides suppliers valuable information when negotiating to meet Tampa Electric's future coal requirements. Disclosure of this information would adversely affect Tampa Electric's position in future coal supply contract negotiations. As such, the information in question is entitled to confidential treatment under Section 366.093(d) and (e), Florida Statutes.
- (4) This information discloses a specific and significant component of a bid proposal received by TECO Transport. Public disclosure of this information would harm the competitive interests of TECO Transport and would also compromise Tampa Electric's competitive position in future efforts to negotiate waterborne transportation services. Consequently, the information in question is entitle to confidential treatment under Section 366.093(d) and (e), Florida Statutes.
- (5) The values in question would enable one to determine the negotiated price Tampa Electric has been paying and continues to pay for coal transportation services under contract with its affiliate, TECO Transport. Public disclosure of this information would adversely affect Tampa Electric and TECO Transport in that it would disclose confidential contractual terms and conditions. This would adversely affect both companies in future contract negotiations. Accordingly, the information is entitled to confidential treatment under Section 366.093(3)(d) and (e), Florida Statutes.