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February 13, 2004

Ms. Blanca S. Bayó, Director Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0870

## RE: Docket No. 031033-EI

Dear Ms. Bayó:

Please find enclosed the original affidavit of Michael J. Majoros, Jr. A copy appeared as Attachment III, to Citizens Motion For Revision to Order Establishing Procedure or Continuance to Tampa Electric Company filed February 12, 2004.

Please indicate the time and date of receipt on the enclosed duplicate of this letter and return it to our office.

Sincerely,

Robert Vandiver Associate Public Counsel

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

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## AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF <u>Ustict of Columbia</u>; COUNTY OF Washington

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally appeared

Michael J. Majoros, Jr. who has sworn as to the following statement that is true and correct to the best of his information and belief:

1. My firm, Snavely Majoros O'Connor & Lee, Inc., has been engaged by the Florida Office of Public Counsel and the Florida Industrial Power Users Group to provide expert testimony and analysis regarding the waterborne coal transport costs that Tampa Electric passes on to ratepayers in Florida, Docket No. 031033-EI.

2. In order to properly evaluate the waterborne transport charges that are being passed on to ratepayers, it is necessary for our office to evaluate the actual level of rates that Tampa Electric pays for waterborne transport and provide valid conclusions of the associated costs that would enable the Commission to ascertain that the rates paid by Tampa Electric are reasonable and prudent.

3. TECO Transport is an affiliate of Tampa Electric and we have sought on a timely basis to obtain the actual cost data the Commission needs in order to reach a decision regarding the prudence of Tampa Electrics, the waterborne transport costs. Such information has not yet been received.

4. The current schedule for this docket requires that I file testimony on March 1, 2004. In order to file such testimony, it is necessary that we receive the information requested, review the data, and prepare testimony.

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5. As of the date of this affidavit, there are 10 working days prior to the testimony filing date according to the current schedule. This is inadequate time for our office to properly prepare testimony to address the complex issues before this Commission.

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DATED at 1220 1 Street, Washigton, DC, this day

of February 12, 2004.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this Musday day of February 12, 2004.

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