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Re: Petition to determine need for Polk Unit 6 electrical power plant by Tampa Electric Company; FPSC Docket No. 070467-EI

Dear Ms. Cole:

Enclosed for filing in the above docket are the original and seven (7) copies of Tampa Electric Company's Request for Confidential Classification of portions of its answers to the Florida Public Service Commission's Fourth Request for Production of Documents (Nos. 15-19).

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

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition to determine need)
for Polk Unit 6 electrical power plant)
by Tampa Electric Company.)
_____)

DOCKET NO. 070467-EI

FILED: September 20, 2007

**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 portions of its answers to the Florida Public Service Commission's Fourth Request for Production of Documents (Nos. 15-19) and, as grounds therefore, says:

1. The confidential information in question appears on Bates stamp pages 3-282 of Tampa Electric's answers to Staff's Fourth Request for Production of Documents, Document No. 16. A single yellow highlighted copy of each of the above-referenced pages contain the confidential information is being separately filed with the Commission this date.

2. All of the highlighted confidential information discloses fuel pricing by component (including commodity plus segmented transportation costs). As such, this information is contractual information which, if made public, "would impair the efforts of Tampa Electric to contract for goods and services on favorable terms." (Section 366.093(3)(d), Florida Statutes)

3. On numerous occasions in the past this Commission has protected the confidential nature of fuel and fuel transportation pricing. For example, in connection with the company's Form 423 filings the Commission has observed:

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Next, we must determine whether any portion of the monthly reports should be accorded confidential treatment. We agree that certain portions of the confidential information. However, many portions of the monthly reports will not. The proprietary information for all types of fuel is transportation. Any breakout of transportation costs must be treated confidentially. In addition, F.O.B. mine prices for coal is proprietary in nature as is the price of fuel oil. Disclosure of separate transportation or F.O.B. mine prices would have a direct impact on a utility's future fuel and transportation contracts by informing potential bidders of current prices paid for services. Disclosure of fuel oil prices would have an indirect effect upon bidding suppliers. Suppliers would be reluctant to provide significant price concessions to an individual utility if prices were disclosed because other purchasers would seek similar concessions.

Order No. 12645 issued in Docket No. 830001-EU on November 3, 1983 (In re: Investigation of Fuel Adjustment Clauses of Electric Utilities).

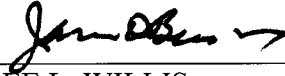
4. As recently as Order No. PSC-07-0413-CFO-EI, dated May 9, 2007 this Commission has continued to treat fuel and fuel transportation pricing as confidential proprietary business information.

5. Tampa Electric treats the highlighted information contained on Bates stamp pages 3-282 as confidential proprietary business information and has not disclosed it publicly.

WHEREFORE, Tampa Electric respectfully requests the Commission classify as proprietary confidential business information the highlighted information contained on pages 3-282 of the company's answers to Staff's Fourth Request for Production of Documents (No. 16).

DATED this 20th day of September 2007.

Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true copy of the foregoing Request for Confidential Classification, filed on behalf of Tampa Electric Company, has been furnished by U. S. Mail or hand delivery (*) on this 20th day of September 2007 to the following:

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DATE: 9/20/07

TO: J. Beasley/Ausley Law Firm

FROM: Ruth Nettles, Office of Commission Clerk

RE: **Acknowledgement of Receipt of Confidential Filing**

This will acknowledge receipt of a **CONFIDENTIAL DOCUMENT** filed in Docket Number 070467-EI or, if filed in an undocketed matter, concerning portions of its answers to staff's 4th request for PODs, Nos. 15-19, and filed on behalf of Progress Energy. The document will be maintained in locked storage.

If you have any questions regarding this document, please contact Marguerite Lockard, Deputy Clerk, at (850) 413-6770.

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