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1 **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

2 **PREPARED DIRECT TESTIMONY**

3 **OF**

4 **MARK J. HORNICK**

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6 **Q.** Please state your name, business address, occupation and
7 employer.

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9 **A.** My name is Mark J. Hornick. My business address is 702
10 North Franklin Street, Tampa, Florida 33602. I am
11 employed by Tampa Electric Company ("Tampa Electric" or
12 "company") in the position of General Manager - Polk and
13 Phillips Power Stations.

14
15 **Q.** Please provide a brief outline of your educational
16 background and business experience.

17
18 **A.** I received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Mechanical
19 Engineering in 1981 from the University of South
20 Florida. I am a registered professional engineer in the
21 state of Florida. I began my career with Tampa Electric
22 in 1981 as an Engineer Associate in the Production
23 Department. I have held a number of engineering and
24 management positions at Tampa Electric's power
25 generating stations. From 1991 to 1998, I was a manager

1 at Big Bend Power Station with various responsibilities
2 including serving as Manager of Operations from 1995 to
3 1998. In July 1998, I was promoted to Director, Fuels
4 where I was responsible for managing Tampa Electric's
5 fuel procurement and transportation activities.

6
7 In March 2000, I was promoted to my current role of
8 General Manager, Polk and Phillips Power Stations. I am
9 responsible for the overall operations of these two
10 generating facilities. I have broad experience in the
11 engineering and operations of power generation equipment
12 including Integrated Gasification Combined Cycle
13 ("IGCC") technology. I have served on the Electric
14 Power Research Institute's "IGCC Experts Panel". I am
15 currently the Chairman of the Gasifier Users
16 Association, an international group of users and
17 potential users of gasification technology.

18
19 **Q.** What is the purpose of your direct testimony?
20

21 **A.** My direct testimony supports the company's budgeted
22 construction capital and operations and maintenance
23 ("O&M") expenses related to generation facilities
24 included in the 2009 test year and the company's
25 generation expansion plan. I show that the amounts

1 budgeted for these items are reasonable and prudent. My
2 direct testimony discusses the resource planning process
3 used by Tampa Electric and the capital expenditures that
4 are needed for generation expansion and continued
5 operations of existing units. I also discuss the O&M
6 activities and resources needed for continued operations
7 of the company's generating assets. Finally, my direct
8 testimony discusses the variance between the O&M
9 benchmark and the test year for production.

10
11 **Q.** Have you prepared an exhibit for presentation in this
12 proceeding?

13
14 **A.** Yes, Exhibit No. _____ (MJH-1) entitled "Exhibit of Mark
15 J. Hornick" was prepared under my direction and
16 supervision. It consists of the following five
17 documents:

18 Document No. 1 List Of Minimum Filing Requirement
19 Schedules Sponsored Or Co-Sponsored
20 By Mark J. Hornick

21 Document No. 2 2009 Production Construction Budget

22 Document No. 3 2009 Production O&M Budget

23 Document No. 4 Total System Equivalent Availability
24 Factor

25 Document No. 5 Total System Heat Rate

1 **CHANGES TO GENERATING SYSTEMS**

2 **Q.** Please describe the significant changes to the Tampa
3 Electric generating system since the last rate case
4 proceeding in 1992.

5
6 **A.** There have been several significant changes to the Tampa
7 Electric generating system since 1992. In 2007, the
8 company served a retail winter peak load of 4,123
9 megawatts ("MW") compared to 2,771 MW served in 1992, an
10 increase of approximately 50 percent or 1,350 MW. To
11 meet this growing demand, the company added new
12 generation to its system beginning in 1996 at the Polk
13 Power Station. Polk Unit 1 has been named the cleanest
14 coal-fired power plant in North America, and the world
15 leader in producing electricity from environmentally
16 friendly, coal-derived synthesis gas. Polk Unit 1 is a
17 255 MW (net winter capability) coal and distillate oil
18 fueled unit utilizing IGCC technology. Its combined
19 cycle technology increases efficiency because it reuses
20 exhaust heat to produce more electricity. Sulfur is
21 removed from the gas prior to combustion. Polk Units 2
22 and 3 are 184 MW (net winter capability) dual fuel
23 (natural gas and distillate oil) simple cycle combustion
24 turbine ("CT") generating units that began commercial
25 operation in 2000. Polk Units 4 and 5 are 184 MW (net

1 winter capability) natural gas fired simple cycle CTs
2 that began operation in 2007.

3
4 As the result of environmental agreements Tampa Electric
5 made with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
6 ("EPA") and Florida's Department of Environmental
7 Protection ("FDEP") in late 1999 and 2000, the six coal
8 fired units at Gannon Station totaling a nominal 1,200
9 MW were removed from service in 2003. The existing
10 steam turbine generators from Gannon Units 5 and 6 were
11 integrated into two new natural gas combined cycle
12 units. The exhaust heat from three new CTs is used to
13 generate steam to power the existing Gannon 5 steam
14 turbine. This three-on-one configuration makes up
15 Bayside Unit 1, which was put into service in April
16 2003. The exhaust heat from four new CTs is used to
17 generate steam to power the existing Gannon Unit 6 steam
18 turbine. This four-on-one configuration makes up
19 Bayside Unit 2, which began operation in January 2004.
20 These new highly efficient and reliable units comprise
21 the H. L. Culbreath Bayside Power Station, a nominal
22 1,650 MW natural gas fired facility.

23
24 The changes at Bayside Power Station have resulted in
25 significant reductions in sulfur dioxide ("SO₂"),

1 nitrogen oxide ("NO_x"), particulate matter, mercury and
2 carbon dioxide ("CO₂") emissions. Besides the
3 significant emission reductions, the repowering was the
4 most cost effective alternative based on 1) the need to
5 satisfy customer demand for reliable electricity at
6 reasonable costs; 2) the ability to use existing
7 substation and transmission facilities; 3) the
8 availability of natural gas supplied from existing and
9 then-proposed natural gas pipelines in the area; and, 4)
10 the opportunity to reuse existing plant equipment.

11
12 The five oil-fired units at Hookers Point Station,
13 totaling 220 MW, which were originally constructed in
14 the 1940's and 1950's, were retired from service in
15 2002. The 12 MW oil and gas fired unit at the Dinner
16 Lake Station was also retired from service in 2006.

17
18 Significant environmental retrofit projects have been
19 completed at the Big Bend Power Station. Flue gas
20 desulphurization ("FGD" or "scrubbers") equipment was
21 added to Big Bend Units 1, 2 and 3. The scrubbers
22 remove more than 95 percent of SO₂ from the four Big
23 Bend units. Selective catalytic reduction ("SCR")
24 equipment was added to Big Bend Units 3 and 4 and will
25 be added to Big Bend Units 1 and 2 by 2010.

1 **Q.** Please describe the benefits of the environmental
2 retrofit projects and environmental agreements with EPA
3 and FDEP that have been undertaken since the last rate
4 case in 1992.

5
6 **A.** Tampa Electric is now one of the cleanest utilities in
7 the nation using coal and with no nuclear generation.
8 This is the result of an industry-leading 10-year, \$1.2
9 billion environmental improvement program that is
10 currently in its final stages of implementation. As a
11 result, by 2010, system wide NO_x emissions will be
12 reduced by approximately 90 percent below 1998 levels.
13 This significant reduction is possible due to the
14 repowering of the Gannon Station to the natural gas
15 fired Bayside Power Station and the installation of SCR
16 systems on all four Big Bend units.

17
18 By 2010, system wide emissions of SO₂ will be reduced by
19 approximately 90 percent below 1998 levels. This
20 significant reduction was the result of several
21 projects. In 1995, through the innovative efforts of
22 Tampa Electric, a project was completed to integrate the
23 flue gas from Big Bend Unit 3 with the exiting FGD
24 system on Big Bend Unit 4. This provided the required
25 level of sulfur removal at a very low cost. In 1999, an

1 innovative single tower FGD system was completed to
2 treat the flue gas from Big Bend Units 1 and 2, which
3 also provided sulfur removal at a low cost. The
4 scrubbers in service at Big Bend Power Station remove
5 more than 95 percent of the SO₂ emissions from the flue
6 gas streams. Sulfur emission reductions also resulted
7 from the repowering of the Gannon Station to the natural
8 gas fired Bayside Power Station.

9
10 By 2010, system wide emissions of mercury and
11 particulate matter will both be reduced by approximately
12 72 percent from 1998 levels. These reductions are
13 possible due to the combination of FGD and SCR system
14 installations on the Big Bend units and the repowering
15 of Gannon Station.

16
17 In addition to the reductions in regulated emissions
18 listed above, since 1998, system-wide emissions of CO₂
19 have been reduced by over 20 percent bringing emissions
20 below 1990 levels.

21
22 **PLANNING PROCESS**

23 **Q.** What process does Tampa Electric use to determine the
24 need for additional generation facilities?
25

- 1 **A.** Tampa Electric uses an Integrated Resource Planning
2 ("IRP") process. The IRP process determines the timing,
3 type and amount of additional resources required to
4 maintain system reliability in a cost-effective manner.
5 The process considers expected growth in customer
6 demand, existing and future demand side management
7 ("DSM"), and renewable/supply-side resources needed to
8 meet reliability requirements.
- 9
- 10 **Q.** Please describe the reliability criteria that Tampa
11 Electric utilizes to determine the need for additional
12 resources.
- 13
- 14 **A.** Tampa Electric utilizes a 20 percent planning reserve
15 margin reliability criteria, as required by the Florida
16 Public Service Commission ("FPSC" or "Commission") in
17 Order No. PSC-99-2507-S-EU issued in December 1999. The
18 total system firm peak is determined by including all
19 firm wholesale agreements and excluding non-firm
20 customer demand from the total system demand. Non-firm
21 demand includes all interruptible service customers and
22 DSM load reduction programs. Customers participating in
23 these voluntary programs help defer the need for
24 additional supply-side resources by reducing peak
25 demands.

1 Q. How does the company plan and manage its generation
2 projects?

3
4 A. The company utilizes long range planning tools to
5 determine its future capital projects and generation
6 plant additions. In very simplistic terms, once a need
7 for future generating capacity is identified, a project
8 team is assigned to begin project evaluations. The
9 priorities in the evaluation process include the need to
10 determine feasible alternatives, costs, schedules and
11 participants in the project. After a specific project
12 is identified as being the most cost-effective
13 alternative, it must be approved by the company's
14 management and Board of Directors. Once approved, the
15 project team executes the project to design the plant,
16 obtain permits, procure the equipment, construct, start-
17 up and commission the plant until it achieves commercial
18 operation. Throughout this process, the project is
19 managed to meet the cost, schedule and performance
20 goals.

21
22 Another phase of long range planning is the development
23 of a five-year construction budget, which identifies
24 other near term projects required to provide reliable
25 service. The capital projects in the five-year plan

1 include maintenance projects to replace existing plant
2 equipment that will affect the generating unit
3 reliability, capacity or efficiency. It also includes
4 additions of new equipment to meet new environmental
5 requirements.

6
7 The plan is modified as new information is obtained.
8 Each year the company must determine its capital plan
9 for the following year. Information regarding the
10 generating unit availability, operating conditions, new
11 regulations and environmental needs are reviewed and
12 considered for inclusion in the capital plan. Some
13 projects are not discretionary but instead are required
14 due to environmental or safety considerations, new
15 regulations, etc. Other projects are prioritized based
16 upon their relative benefits. Through a review process,
17 the projects are selected for inclusion in the next
18 year's budget. Similarly to how new generation projects
19 are managed, these projects are also initiated and
20 executed by a project team. Each project goes through an
21 estimating and approval process to ensure its benefit
22 and need. These projects are monitored for cost,
23 schedule and desired performance throughout the process
24 until they are completed and in service.

25

1 **CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM AND CAPITAL BUDGET**

2 **Q.** What are Tampa Electric's major generation construction
3 requirements through 2009?
4

5 **A.** The company's forecasted capital additions and
6 retirements are listed in MFR Schedule B-11. Tampa
7 Electric's 2008 Ten Year Site Plan indicates the need
8 for additional peaking capacity in the near term.
9 Projects are underway to add five simple cycle CTs in
10 2009. These generating units will be aero-derivative
11 CTs ("Aero CTs"), each with a nominal capacity of 60 MW.
12 The term aero-derivative indicates that this technology
13 was originally developed for aircraft engines. The Aero
14 CTs provide good efficiency with net operating heat
15 rates of 10,641 Btu/kWh (higher heating value), have low
16 emissions and have quick start capability enabling the
17 unit to start up and achieve off line to full load in 10
18 minutes. These machines offer a more economic option
19 for meeting the company's operating reserve requirements
20 than by spinning reserve, which requires keeping large
21 units running. The use of quick start CTs in lieu of
22 spinning reserve benefits customers by allowing the in-
23 service generating units to operate at higher average
24 outputs, which improves efficiency and reduces heat
25 rate.

1 One 60 MW Aero CT, Big Bend CT Unit 4, will be placed in
2 service in September 2009 at the Big Bend Power Station
3 and will have the capability to use either natural gas
4 or distillate oil as a fuel source. The electrical
5 power required to start this unit is relatively small
6 and can be provided by an on-site engine driven
7 generator. The output of Big Bend CT Unit 4 may be used
8 to provide power directly to the electric grid and
9 provide the power required to start additional
10 generating units at Big Bend Power Station. The Florida
11 Reliability Coordinating Council defines the ability to
12 energize portions of a blacked out region utilizing
13 resources independent of an energized connection as
14 "black start capability". This black start capability
15 could allow for faster restoration of electric service
16 to customers following events such as hurricanes that
17 may cause widespread damage to the electric grid. The
18 existing 10 MW Big Bend CT Unit 1, which provides black
19 start capability, is at the end of its useful life and
20 will be retired after Big Bend CT Unit 4 is placed into
21 service in 2009.

22
23 Four 60 MW Aero natural gas fired CTs will be located at
24 Bayside Power Station and will be designated Bayside
25 Units 3, 4, 5 and 6. As with the Big Bend CT Unit 4,

1 Bayside Units 3 through 6 can be started without
2 requiring an energized connection from the electric grid
3 by using on-site generators. This will provide black
4 start capability at the Bayside Power Station. Two of
5 the Bayside Aero CTs will be connected to the 69 kV
6 system to allow power from these units to start the
7 other Bayside units without an energized connection from
8 the grid external to the station.

9
10 Bayside Units 5 and 6 will be placed in service in May
11 2009. Big Bend CT Unit 4 and Bayside Units 3 and 4 will
12 be placed in service in September 2009. These five
13 generating units will provide needed generating capacity
14 and operating flexibility with a high level of
15 efficiency and environmental performance.

16
17 **Q.** What other major generation-related capital projects are
18 planned for 2009?

19
20 **A.** There are two major, non-expansion projects planned for
21 2009: the continuation of Big Bend Power Station's SCR
22 installations and the construction of rail facilities at
23 Big Bend Power Station to accommodate solid fuel
24 transportation.

25

1 **Q.** Please describe the Big Bend SCR installation project.

2

3 **A.** The EPA and FDEP agreements require that Big Bend Power
4 Station achieve certain NO_x emission reductions by 2010.
5 The company determined that the most cost-effective
6 solution was the installation of SCRs on all four units.
7 SCR technology was installed on Unit 4 in 2007; SCR for
8 Unit 3 was placed in service during summer 2008; and
9 Unit 2 and Unit 1 SCRs are scheduled to be placed in
10 service in May 2009 and May 2010, respectively. The
11 total cost for installation is expected to be \$330
12 million, which will be recovered through the
13 Environmental Cost Recovery Clause in accordance with
14 past Commission orders.

15

16 **Q.** Please describe the rail facilities construction at Big
17 Bend Power Station.

18

19 **A.** In 2007, Tampa Electric issued a request for proposal
20 for solid fuel transportation to replace its existing
21 contract that will expire on December 31, 2008. Based
22 upon final contract negotiations, the company has
23 contracted for bimodal transportation: water and rail.
24 Bimodal transportation will afford the company more
25 options to procure coal from additional sources

1 resulting in customer benefits. Since there are no rail
2 facilities for unloading coal at Big Bend Power Station,
3 they must be constructed in 2008 and 2009 for deliveries
4 to begin by January 1, 2010. Construction for this
5 project is expected to begin in late 2008. The company
6 expects to spend a total of \$45,000,000 with \$15,900,000
7 and \$29,127,000 being invested in 2008 and 2009,
8 respectively.

9
10 **Q.** What is Tampa Electric's construction capital budget for
11 production facilities in 2009?

12
13 **A.** As shown on Document No. 2 of my exhibit, the
14 construction capital budget for production facilities
15 totals \$369,593,000 for 2009. This includes
16 \$165,603,000 for recurring, non-expansion projects,
17 \$54,723,000 for the Big Bend SCR project and \$29,127,000
18 of the total project cost of \$45,000,000 for the rail
19 facilities at Big Bend Power Station. The five Aero CTs
20 are budgeted at \$114,058,000 in 2009 of the \$236,588,000
21 total project cost. The 2009 budget also includes
22 \$6,082,000 for transmission expansion associated with
23 the addition of a natural gas combined cycle unit at
24 Polk Power Station by 2013. Tampa Electric witness
25 Jeffrey S. Chronister explains the company's proposed

1 treatment of the Aero CTs and rail facilities in his
2 direct testimony.

3
4 **PRODUCTION O&M EXPENSES**

5 **Q.** What is Tampa Electric's production O&M and non-
6 recoverable fuel expense budgeted for 2009?

7
8 **A.** As shown on Document No. 3 of my exhibit, Tampa
9 Electric's total production expense (excluding
10 Environmental Cost Recovery Clause expense) budgeted in
11 2009 is \$154,292,000. One item worth mentioning is the
12 roughly \$6.9 million the company plans to spend on
13 channel dredging in 2009. Every five years, the channel
14 adjacent to Big Bend Power Station must be dredged to
15 allow vessels to deliver solid fuel to the plant
16 efficiently. As discussed by witness Chronister, the
17 company has made a pro forma adjustment to amortize the
18 expense over five years.

19
20 **Q.** How does this compare with the FPSC O&M benchmark?

21
22 **A.** As described by witness Chronister in his direct
23 testimony, the company's total 2009 O&M costs are
24 expected to be under the benchmark by \$7,693,000. This
25 is despite the many challenges the company has faced

1 since the last time O&M levels were reviewed by this
2 Commission and it demonstrates cost control efforts have
3 been able to offset increasing cost pressure over time.
4 Witness Chronister notes that the company expects its
5 2009 budgeted expense for production to be below the
6 benchmark. Specifically, the adjusted test year total
7 production O&M per company books in 2009 is
8 \$142,429,000. The adjusted test year total production
9 O&M benchmark in 1991 is \$150,122,000. The production
10 O&M benchmark calculation is shown in MFR Schedule C-37.

11
12 **Q.** How has the company managed to stay below the O&M
13 benchmark for 2009 production expenses?

14
15 **A.** Tampa Electric is focused on controlling costs and
16 ensuring that O&M dollars are spent in a prudent
17 fashion. Generating technology is selected based on
18 overall project economics that includes the expense
19 needed for operations and maintenance. Recent
20 generation additions such as the Bayside and Polk units
21 have lower O&M expense than coal-fired units.

22
23 **Q.** Over the years, what are the major factors that have
24 contributed to increase O&M needed to maintain Tampa
25 Electric's fleet of generating units?

1 **A.** There are several factors contributing to increase
2 production O&M expenses over time. The cost of
3 materials, supplies and labor have all escalated
4 significantly since the company's last rate proceeding
5 and, in many cases, dramatically in recent years. For
6 example, the cost of iron and steel has increased 88
7 percent and industrial chemicals have increased 85
8 percent over the past five years. Qualified
9 construction labor has become more difficult to secure
10 and labor costs are increasing. Labor costs have
11 increased 31 percent from January 2003 to February 2008.

12
13 Changes in generating equipment technology and
14 associated maintenance and outage costs have impacted
15 O&M expenses as well. The additions of environmental
16 control equipment to the generating units along with
17 other environmental requirements have also increased the
18 costs of O&M.

19
20 **Q.** Please define planned outages versus other types of
21 outages.

22
23 **A.** Planned outages, as the name suggests, are defined as
24 those outage periods that are anticipated and planned
25 for well in advance of the actual outage period

1 (typically at least one year in advance). Forced
2 outages, on the other hand, are not planned and
3 scheduled in advance of the outage period and can be the
4 result of an in service failure or imminent failure of
5 some generating unit component. In addition, forced
6 outages are typically short in duration and have greatly
7 reduced scope of work versus planned outages.
8 Maintenance conducted during planned outages consists of
9 large tasks that are performed infrequently and have a
10 long duration. Typical examples are steam turbine
11 inspections and repairs, replacement of large heat
12 transfer surfaces in the boiler, and refurbishment of
13 large motors and pumps. The maintenance performed
14 during these outages is required to ensure the safe and
15 reliable operation of the generating units.

16
17 **Q.** What is the impact of planned outages on Tampa
18 Electric's generating units in the test year?

19
20 **A.** The 2009 planned unit maintenance durations are shown
21 for each unit in MFR Schedule F-8 page 10 of 21. There
22 are 13 generating units with planned maintenance outages
23 scheduled in 2009. A total of 54 planned outage weeks
24 are scheduled across the 13 units. The planned outage
25 schedule varies from year to year based on the

1 maintenance requirements of each generating unit and the
2 need for adequate generating capacity in service to meet
3 demand throughout the year. The planned maintenance
4 forecasted for 2009 is typical of the past and expected
5 future planned outage requirements.

6
7 **Q.** What has been the reliability of Tampa Electric's
8 generating units over time?

9
10 **A.** The overall generating unit equivalent availability
11 factor ("EAF") has increased from approximately 75
12 percent in 1997 to the 80 percent range now. This
13 improvement was due in large part to the installation of
14 new, highly reliable units at the Polk and Bayside Power
15 Stations. Document No. 4 of my exhibit shows the total
16 system EAF from 1997 to 2007.

17
18 **Q.** What has been the efficiency of Tampa Electric's
19 generating units over time?

20
21 **A.** The heat rate of Tampa Electric's units has improved
22 from approximately 10,500 Btu/kWh in 1997 to
23 approximately 9,500 Btu/kWh. Document No. 6 of my
24 exhibit shows the total system heat rate from 1997 to
25 2007.

1 **Q.** How do the maintenance needs of newer generation using
2 CT technology compare with those of a conventional steam
3 unit?
4

5 **A.** CT technology, when used in simple cycle or in combined
6 cycle applications, provides a high level of performance
7 and low emissions but has unique maintenance challenges.
8 CTs operate at very high firing temperatures, which
9 results in high efficiency, but also places high stress
10 and thermal fatigue on the turbine components. Turbine
11 suppliers have prescribed maintenance intervals for most
12 key components in the machines that are dictated by the
13 amount of use each turbine experiences. Maintenance of
14 turbines in peaking service is typically dictated by the
15 number of accumulated starts. Maintenance of turbines
16 in intermediate or base load service is typically
17 dictated by the number of accumulated operating hours.
18 Each turbine must have the recommended maintenance
19 performed at the intervals prescribed by the equipment
20 manufacturer to ensure safe and reliable service.

21
22 Gas turbine components such as turbine blades, nozzles
23 and combustion hardware are highly engineered with
24 specialized designs and often are only available from
25 the original equipment supplier or in some limited

1 cases, a few aftermarket suppliers. Parts availability,
2 particularly on new model machines can be very limited
3 and if not managed properly, can have a detrimental
4 impact on turbine reliability and availability.
5

6 **Q.** How has Tampa Electric addressed the maintenance needs
7 of its CTs?
8

9 **A.** The CTs used by Tampa Electric at Polk and Bayside Power
10 Stations are General Electric ("GE") 7F frames and they
11 have a high level of performance and low emissions. The
12 availability of parts and technical support services for
13 these machines is very limited; therefore, Tampa
14 Electric entered into contractual services agreements
15 ("CSAs") with GE to perform ongoing maintenance of these
16 turbines. Under these agreements, GE is responsible for
17 supplying maintenance services and parts necessary to
18 perform all planned and unplanned maintenance on the
19 covered units in order to keep them in good working
20 condition and in an effort to maintain availability and
21 reliability while operating in a cost-effective and safe
22 manner.
23

24 **Q.** What are the benefits of using CSAs for the ongoing
25 maintenance needs of Tampa Electric's CTs?

1 **A.** Under CSAs, the availability of spare parts is improved
2 and the inventory requirements for these parts are
3 reduced. The risks of cost increases due to reduced
4 maintenance interval requirements, parts life risk and
5 fallout from inspection are borne by GE. Unplanned
6 maintenance expense and the management of maintenance
7 services including subcontracting qualified craft labor
8 and providing technical support are also GE's
9 responsibility. Maintenance costs are levelized and
10 escalation rates are pre-negotiated.

11
12 **Q.** Are contractual services agreements an accepted industry
13 practice for the maintenance of CTs?

14
15 **A.** Yes. It is a common practice for CT operators to enter
16 into CSAs with the original equipment supplier.
17 According to GE, 504 of the 590 operating 7F class CTs
18 in North America are covered by CSAs. In the southern
19 region of the United States, 307 of the 334 units are
20 covered by CSAs.

21
22 **Q.** Has Tampa Electric taken other measures to control
23 generation O&M costs over this same period?

24
25 **A.** Yes. Tampa Electric has taken a number of steps to

1 ensure that its team members are safe, productive and
2 focused on the right priorities while managing costs.
3 Some of the key measures are in the areas of safety,
4 staffing and productivity, and operating goals and
5 priorities.

6
7 Tampa Electric emphasizes safety over all other
8 considerations. Considerable effort has been placed on
9 safety improvements across the entire company, including
10 in Energy Supply, which implemented programs to deal
11 with hazard elimination and personal safety behavior
12 improvement. The company investigates safety incidents
13 and near miss events to determine the root cause and
14 appropriate corrective actions. The company observes
15 team members while performing tasks to reinforce
16 positive safety behaviors and coach them on
17 opportunities to improve. These efforts have reduced
18 the Occupational Safety and Health Administration
19 recordable injury rates, which represents the annual
20 number of recordable incidents per 100 employees, in the
21 Energy Supply area from 3.80 in 2003 to 1.43 in 2007,
22 which is a 68 percent reduction.

23
24 Staffing levels in Energy Supply have been reduced from
25 over 1,000 in 1991 to an estimated 807 in 2009. This

1 reduction took place during a period when net generation
2 increased by nearly 1,000 MW and was accomplished
3 through efficiency improvements and by the installation
4 of less O&M intensive generating technologies such as
5 the conversion from Gannon Station's coal-fired
6 generation to Bayside Power Station's gas-fired
7 generation. Front line craftsmen are trained and
8 encouraged to perform tasks outside of traditional
9 boundaries safely. In cooperation with the collective
10 bargaining unit at the Big Bend and Bayside Power
11 Stations, team members now perform maintenance and
12 operation tasks as needs dictate without barriers from
13 prior strict work rules. A pay-for-skills system
14 encourages team members to learn and apply key skills in
15 addition to their primary maintenance craft at the Polk
16 and Phillips Power Stations. For example, a team member
17 who has a core skill in mechanical maintenance may learn
18 certain skills traditionally limited to electricians.
19 When a task involves both mechanical and electrical work
20 elements, one team member is able to complete the work,
21 which improves overall workforce efficiency and
22 productivity and allows for reduced staffing levels.

23
24 Tampa Electric ensures team members' priorities are
25 aligned with business goals by setting business goals at

1 the company level, which are in turn supported by goals
2 at the department and business unit level. Team members
3 can receive incentive pay known as Success Sharing if
4 certain goals are met. Progress on goal achievement is
5 regularly reviewed with team members. All of these
6 actions have contributed to the company's ability to
7 control costs while still providing reliable service to
8 customers.

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10 **Q.** Please summarize your direct testimony.

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12 **A.** Tampa Electric serves a retail peak load of 4,123 MW
13 compared to almost 2,800 MW served in 1992. To meet
14 this growing demand, the company added new generation to
15 the system beginning in 1996 at the Polk Power Station.
16 The company has also made significant investments in
17 environmental projects including the repowering from
18 coal to natural gas at Bayside Power Station and the
19 installation of scrubbers and SCRs at Big Bend Power
20 Station. The production capital construction and O&M
21 expenses projected for 2009 are reasonable, prudent and
22 below the FPSC O&M benchmark. The budgets were
23 developed and include expenditures that will improve
24 heat rate, prevent forced outages and help ensure the
25 availability of efficient, reasonably priced generation

1 for customers.

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3 **Q.** Does this conclude your direct testimony?

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5 **A.** Yes, it does.

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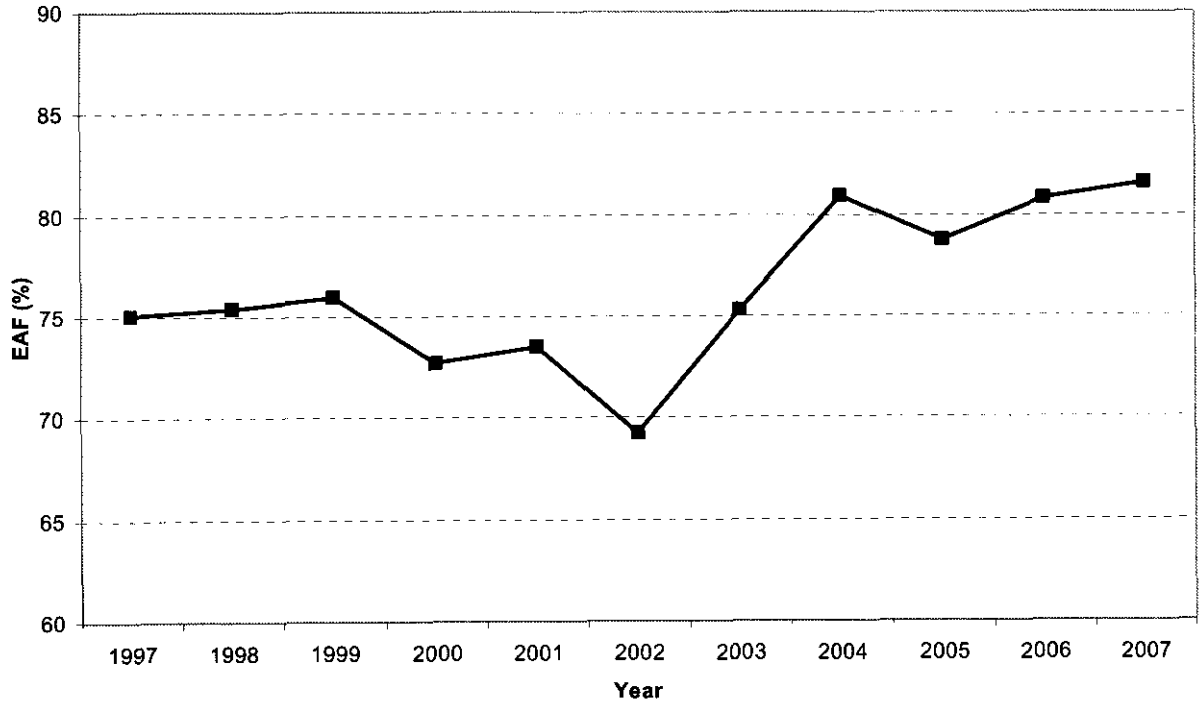
2009 Production Construction Budget		
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Big Bend Power Station	95,707	
Bayside Power Station	13,353	
Polk Power Station	9,667	
CSA Capital - Bayside & Polk	32,329	
Environmental & Other	14,547	
Recurring Capital	\$165,603	
		Total Project
Aero-Derivative CT Expansion	114,058	236,588
Total SCR Project w/o AFUDC	54,723	---
Rail Expansion Big Bend	29,127	45,000
Transmission for NGCC	6,082	---
Non-Recurring Capital	\$203,990	
Total Energy Supply Capital - 2009	\$369,593	

2009 Production O&M Budget

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Big Bend Power Station	87,975
Bayside Power Station	15,650
Polk Power Station	22,976
Phillips Power Station	1,821
CSA O&M - Bayside & Polk	2,426
Environmental, Health & Safety	5,329
Non-Recoverable Fuel	6,889
Fuels, Sales & Engg. & Construction	5,925
Support Services	5,301
Environmental Cost Recovery Clause	18,038
Total Energy Supply O&M Including ECRC	\$172,330
Environmental Cost Recovery Clause	(18,038)
Total Energy Supply O&M Excluding ECRC	\$154,292

**Total System Equivalent Availability Factor
(EAF)
1997 through 2007**



**Total System Heat Rate
1997 through 2007**

