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STAFF'S FIRST DATA REQUEST

RE: Docket No. 160027-EI – Petition for approval of new environmental program for cost recovery through Environmental Cost Recovery Clause, by Tampa Electric Company.

Dear Mr. Beasley,

By this letter, the Commission staff requests that Tampa Electric Company (TECO or Company) provide responses to the following data requests.

For the following questions, please refer to TECO's petition filed on February 2, 2016 (Petition).

1. Referring to paragraph 3, has an "exact compliance date" been determined in conjunction with FDEP? If not, when do you anticipate that this date will be established?
2. Referring to paragraph 4, why does the Company conclude that its Big Bend Station's treatment system needs to be modified or replaced? Please specify each relevant consideration and/or deficiency pursuant to the new EPA regulation.
3. Referring to paragraph 6, if needed, when does the Company expect to request approval of a Polk Station ELG Compliance Study and associated cost recovery?
4. Referring to paragraph 6, what are the anticipated outcomes of the evaluation? What evaluation outcome would warrant an "ELG Compliance Study?"
5. Referring to paragraph 7:
 - a. Will the Company solicit bids for a consulting firm to perform a Big Bend ELG Compliance Study?
 - b. If the response to question 5a. is affirmative, please describe the anticipated solicitation process and selection criteria.

- c. If the response to question 5a. is negative, please explain why not.
 - d. Has the Company retained a consulting firm to provide the services?
 - e. If the response to question 5d. is affirmative, please identify the consulting firm that has been retained, as well as the services the firm will provide.
6. Referring to paragraph 12, for each task identified, will the Company, its contractor, or some combination thereof perform the work?
 7. Referring to paragraph 13, when does the Company expect to file for recovery?
 8. Referring to paragraph 14:
 - a. Please provide a detailed breakdown of the component activities that comprise the estimated \$100,000 of O&M expenses for Phase I of the proposed Program.
 - b. Please provide a detailed breakdown of the component activities that comprise the estimated \$300,000 of O&M expenses for Phase II of the proposed Program.
 9. Referring to paragraph 18, what is the rationale for allocating the O&M costs of the proposed Program on an energy basis?
 10. Please complete Table 1 below to provide the estimated residential customer bill impact resulting from all of the compliance activities requested by the Company in its instant petition.

Table 1: Estimated Residential Customer Bill Impact

| | ¢ / 1,000 kWh | ¢ / 1,200 kWh |
|------|---------------|---------------|
| 2017 | | |
| 2018 | | |
| 2019 | | |

11. Will the costs identified in paragraph 14 be addressed in the Company's 2016's ECRC testimony?

Please file all responses electronically no later than Friday, April 1, 2016, on the Commission's website at www.floridapsc.com, by selecting the Clerk's Office tab and Electronic Filing Web Form. Please feel free to call me at (850) 413-6191 if you need additional information or I can otherwise be of assistance.

Respectfully,
s/ Charles Murphy
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