TECO's Responses to Staff's Second Set of Interrogatories Nos. 8-9.

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For the purpose of interrogatory numbers 8-9, please refer to Tampa Electric's A-Schedule filing for March 2017 (March A-Schedule), and the specific page and line numbers identified below.

- 8. On Schedule A5, footnote 2 of the March A-Schedule (Page 2 of 2), the Company reports the adjustments in this period to the ending inventory balance for coal. Please answer the following:
 - a. Please define and describe the \$38,646 adjustment identified as "Fuel Analysis."
 - b. Please define and describe the \$312,068 adjustment identified as "Non-Inventory Expense."
 - c. Please define and describe the \$158,838 adjustment identified as "Big Bend NG Ignition."
 - d. Please define and describe the \$44,699 adjustment identified as "Additives."
- A. a. The \$38,646 adjustment identified as "Fuel Analysis" is the cost of analyzing the coal quality, which is a recoverable expense. It does not run through the inventory account.
 - b. The \$312,068 adjustment identified as "Non-Inventory Expense" are monthly recoverable expenses, that do not run through the inventory account. The amount for March 2017 is made up of the following:
 - 1. \$121 monthly railcar lease payment,
 - 2. \$19,751 legal fees associated with the bankruptcy of a coal transportation provider
 - 3. \$292,196 monthly reservation charge at storage terminal.
 - c. The \$158,838 adjustment identified as "Big Bend NG Ignition" is the natural gas ignition to fire the coal units at Big Bend. This is a recoverable expense that does not run through the inventory account.
 - d. The \$44,699 adjustment identified as "Additives" is the recoverable expense for coal additives. This is a recoverable expense that does not run through the inventory account. In March 2017, this amount was dust suppressant for the coalfield.

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- 9. On Schedule A5, footnote 3 of the March A-Schedule (Page 2 of 2), the Company reports the adjustments in this period to the ending inventory balance for natural gas. Please define and describe the \$(158,838) adjustment identified as "Big Bend NG Ignition." Explain in your response the relationship, if any, between this adjustment and a similar adjustment (shown in Schedule A5, footnote 2) to the ending inventory balance for coal.
- A. Refer to Interrogatory No. 8 response (c).

<u> A F F I D A V I T</u>

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF HILLSBOROUGH)

Before me the undersigned authority personally appeared Penelope Rusk who deposed and said that she is Manager, Rates, Tampa Electric Company, and that the individuals listed in Tampa Electric Company's response to Staff's Second Set of Interrogatories, (Nos. 8 - 9) prepared or assisted with the responses to these interrogatories to the best of her information and belief.

Notery Public State of Floride

Dated at Tampa, Florida this 26 day of May, 2017.

Penelope Rusk

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 24 day of May, 2017.

Cynthia R Kyle
My Commission FF 197518 My Commission expires

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