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Public Service Commission

February 12, 2019

Mr. James D. Beasley Tampa Electric Company Post Office Box 391 Tallahassee, FL 32302 jbeasley@ausley.com STAFF'S SECOND DATA REQUEST VIA EMAIL AND US MAIL

Re: Docket No. 20180231-EI – Petition for approval of the big bend south gypsum storage area closure project for cost recovery through the environmental cost recovery clause, by Tampa Electric Company.

Dear Mr. Beasley:

Commission staff has reviewed the response to staff's first data request filed in Docket No. 20180231-EI filed by Tampa Electric Company (TECO) and requests the following information from the Company. Please provide this information to the Office of Commission Clerk, 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd., Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850, by **February 18, 2019**.

- 1. Please refer to page 3, paragraph 8, of TECO's Petition. TECO recognizes that by ceasing combustion of coal in Big Bend Units 1 and 2 the production of gypsum is reduced and the South Gypsum Storage Area (SGSA) is no longer needed.
 - a. Does TECO consider the closure of the SGSA as a result of ceasing combustion of coal in Big Bend Units 1 and 2?
 - b. Was the cost of closing the SGSA considered when TECO made the decision to cease combustion of coal in Big Bend Units 1 and 2?
- 2. Please refer to TECO's response to Staff's First Data Request, Request No. 3.
 - a. When was/will the classification of the SGSA change(d) from a beneficial reuse storage area to a CCR Landfill?
 - b. Why was/will the classification of the SGSA change(d) from a beneficial reuse storage area to a CCR Landfill?
 - c. If TECO continued co-firing Big Bend Units 1 and 2 with both coal and natural gas, thus producing gypsum as a CCR, would the SGSA still be exempt from the CCR Rule?

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If you have any questions, please contact Emily Knoblauch by phone at (850) 413-6632 or by email at eknoblau@psc.state.fl.us.

Sincerely,

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