#### FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

#### **VOTE SHEET**

October 4, 2022

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**Docket No. 20220048-EI** – Review of Storm Protection Plan, pursuant to Rule 25-6.030, F.A.C., Tampa Electric Company.

**Issue 1A:** Does TECO's Storm Protection Plan contain all of the elements required by Rule 25-6.030, Florida Administrative Code?

**<u>Recommendation</u>**: Yes. TECO appears to have met the criteria and intent of Rule 25-6.030, F.A.C., Storm Protection Plan, with its filings. Thus, the Commission has adequate information in order to make a determination on the TECO SPP.

## APPROVED

COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: All

All Commissioners

**COMMISSIONERS' SIGNATURES** 

MAJORITY

DISSENTING

#### REMARKS/DISSENTING COMMENTS:

Commissioner Passidono dissents.

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<u>Issue 2A:</u> To what extent is TECO's Storm Protection Plan expected to reduce restoration costs and outage times associated with extreme weather events and enhance reliability?

**Recommendation:** TECO utilized a Storm Resilience Model to support its proposed 2022 SPP program evaluation and prioritization. The results of this model estimate that TECO's SPP is projected to reduce restoration costs and outage times associated with extreme weather events.

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**Issue 3A:** To what extent does TECO's Storm Protection Plan prioritize areas of lower reliability performance? **Recommendation:** TECO's SPP appears to prioritize areas of lower reliability performance.

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**Issue 4A:** To what extent is TECO's Storm Protection Plan regarding transmission and distribution infrastructure feasible, reasonable, or practical in certain areas of the Company's service territory, including, but not limited to, flood zones and rural areas?

**<u>Recommendation</u>**: With the exceptions discussed in Issues 6A and 10A, TECO's SPP appears feasible, reasonable, and practical within the Company's service territory.

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**Issue 5A:** What are the estimated costs and benefits to TECO and its customers of making the improvements proposed in the Storm Protection Plan?

**<u>Recommendation</u>**: The estimated costs of TECO's SPP programs are shown in Table 5A-1 of staff's memorandum dated September 26, 2022. The estimated benefits, ranging from 12 percent to 55 percent reduction in customer minutes of interruption, are discussed in Issue 2A.

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**Issue 6A:** What is the estimated annual rate impact resulting from implementation of TECO's Storm Protection Plan during the first 3 years addressed in the plan?

**Recommendation:** The estimated annual rate impact, as provided by TECO, is projected to increase approximately 97 percent for the first three years of its Storm Protection Plan. In order to mitigate the rate impact to TECO's customers, staff recommends TECO's Distribution Lateral Undergrounding Program continue at the 2021 annual spending levels, approximately \$79.5 million per year, beginning in 2023.

#### DENIED

**Issue 10A:** Is it in the public interest to approve, approve with modification, or deny TECO's Storm Protection Plan?

**Recommendation:** Staff recommends TECO's SPP meets the requirements of Rule 25-6.030, F.A.C., as discussed in Issue 1A. Staff recommends that TECO's SPP, with the following modifications, is in the public interest and should be approved: (1) continue the level of spending for the Distribution Lateral Undergrounding **Program at the 2021 level**; and, (2) remove the Transmission Access Enhancement Program. TECO should file an amended SPP within 30 days of issuance of the final order for administrative approval by Commission staff.

# APPROVED AS MODIFIED

Issue 11A: Should this be closed?

**Recommendation:** No. As discussed in Issue 10A, TECO should file an amended SPP within 30 days of the final order for administrative approval by Commission staff. Therefore, the docket shall remain open for staff's verification that the amended SPP has been filed and complies with the Commission's order. Once these actions are complete, this docket should be closed administratively.

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