BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Environmental Cost) DOCKET NO. 970007-EI Recovery Clause)) FILED: JANUARY 22, 1997

STAFF'S PRELIMINARY LIST OF ISSUES AND POSITIONS

Pursuant to the standard procedures of the Commission in this generic docket and Order No. PSC-97-0043-PCO-EI, issued January 9, 1997. establishing the prehearing procedure in this docket, the Staff of the Florida Public Service Commission hereby files its Preliminary List of Issues and Positions.

Generic Environmental Cost Recovery Issues

- **ISSUE 1:** What are the appropriate final environmental cost recovery true-up amounts for the period ending September 30, 1996?
- STAFF: TECO: \$11,193,181 underrecovery
- **ISSUE 2:** What are the estimated environmental cost recovery trueup amounts for the period October 1996 through March 1997?
- **STAFF:** TECO: No position at this time pending resolution of company-specific issues.
- ISSUE 3: What are the total environmental cost recovery true-up amounts to be collected during the period April 1997 through September 1997?

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- CMU **ISSUE 4:** What are the appropriate projected environmental cost recovery amounts for the period April 1997 through September 1997?
- LE'. _____ TECO: No position at this time pending resolution of company-specific issues.
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- ISSUE 5: What should be the effective date of the new environmental cost recovery factors for billing purposes?
- **STAFF:** The factor should be effective beginning with the specified environmental cost recovery cycle and thereafter for the period April 1997 through September 1997. Billing cycles may start before April 1, 1997, and the last cycle may be read after September 30, 1997, so that each customer is billed for six months regardless of when the adjustment factor became effective.
- **ISSUE 6:** What depreciation rates should be used to develop the depreciation expense included in the total environmental cost recovery true-up amounts to be collected during the period April 1997 through September 1997?
- **STAFF:** The depreciation rates used to calculate the depreciation expense should be the rates that are in effect during the period the allowed capital investment is in service.
- **ISSUE 7:** How should the newly proposed environmental costs be allocated to the rate classes?
- **STAFF:** TECO: The costs of the SO₂ Allowances should be allocated on an energy basis.

The costs of the Gannon Station Coalfield Diesel Tank Upgrade should be allocated on a demand basis.

The costs of the Gannon Station Ignition Oil Tank Upgrade should be allocated on a demand basis.

- ISSUE 8: What are the appropriate Environmental Cost Recovery Factors for the period April 1997 through September 1997 for each rate group?
- **STAFF:** TECO: No position at this time pending resolution of company-specific issues.

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Company - Specific Environmental Cost Recovery Issues

Tampa Electric Company

ISSUE 9A: Should the Commission approve Tampa Electric Company's request for recovery of costs of the Gannon Station Coalfield Diesel Tank Upgrade through the Environmental Cost Recovery Clause?

POSITION: No position at this time.

ISSUE 9B: Should the Commission approve Tampa Electric Company's request to recover the cost of the Gannon Station Ignition Oil Tank Upgrade through the Environmental Cost Recovery Clause?

POSITION: No position at this time.

Dated this 22nd day of January, 1997.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that one copy of Staff's Preliminary List of Issues and Positions has been furnished by U.S. Mail this 22nd day of January, 1997, to the following:

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