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July 15, 1999

TO:

DIRECTOR, DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING (BAYO)

FROM:

DIVISION OF LEGAL SERVICES (PAUGH)26

DIVISION OF ELECTRIC AND GAS (GOAD, DUDLEY)

RE:

DOCKET NO. 990724-EI - PETITION OF TAMPA ELECTRIC COMPANY FOR CLARIFICATION OF ITS INTERRUPTIBLE RATE SCHEDULES IS-

1, IST-1, SBT-1, IS-3, IST-3, AND SBT-3.

AGENDA:

JULY 27, 1999 - REGULAR AGENDA - TARIFF FILING

INTERESTED PERSONS MAY PARTICIPATE

CRITICAL DATES: 60-DAY SUSPENSION DATE: AUGUST 3, 1999

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: NONE

FILE NAME AND LOCATION: S:\PSC\EAG\WP\990724.RCM

DISCUSSION OF ISSUES

ISSUE 1: Should the Commission suspend Tampa Electric Company's (TECO) proposed modifications to its interruptible service tariffs (IS-1, IST-1, SBT-1, IS-3, IST-3 and SBT-3)?

RECOMMENDATION: Yes. TECO's proposed modifications to its interruptible service tariffs should be suspended to allow staff additional time to complete its analysis.

STAFF ANALYSIS: TECO filed a petition on June 4, 1999 to clarify the penalty language in its interruptible service tariffs. TECO stated that it was recently contacted by several of its interruptible customers about transferring to firm service. Based on the customers' request TECO believes that the penalty language is not clear, therefore, TECO has proposed new language to clarify the intent. TECO stated that it notified these customers of this

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filing and provided them the opportunity to file a formal written request.

Staff and interested parties met with TECO on July 13, 1999 to discuss the proposed modifications. Several concerns were raised by the parties and staff. TECO agreed to consider the concerns raised and work with the parties towards a resolution. Staff anticipates TECO will notify us of the status of negotiations on or about July 27, 1999. Given the on-going discussions between TECO, staff, and interested parties, staff recommends that the proposed modifications be suspended.

ISSUE 2: Should this docket be closed?

RECOMMENDATION: No.

STAFF ANALYSIS: This docket should remain open until the Commission either approves or denies the proposed changes to the tariffs.