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Please place the attached letter in Docket Correspondence, Consumers and their Representatives, in Docket Nos. 20170198-EI and 20170199-EI.

Thank you.

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The Honorable Julie I. Brown, Chairwoman
and Members of the Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Blvd.
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

RE: DOCKET NO. 20170198-EI; DOCKET NO. 20170199-EI

Dear Chairwoman Brown and Members of the Florida Public Service Commission:

On behalf of the Polk County Board of County Commissioners, this letter is in support of Tampa Electric's proposed Lighting Conversion Program. Polk County has a 40 (+) year productive business relationship, with TECO. They currently provide lighting support to numerous residential street lighting districts within Polk County, perimeter lighting of several of our utility plant operations, numerous street intersections/roadway corridor lighting fixtures, recreational lighting at several of our community parks and perimeter/security lighting at several public parking lots.

On September 5, 2017, Tampa filed petitions with the Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC) specific to its lighting service. Docket No. 20170198-EI seeks to establish new smart LED rates and change-out existing non-LED luminaires to smart LED across 5 years, and Docket No. 20170199-EI supports cost recovery for Tampa Electric of the conversion as a conservation program. Polk County supports the entire proposed Lighting Conversion Program to improve roadway safety and personal security, and provide environmental, conservation and economic benefits.

The County is excited about this proposed program and believes that our communities and citizens will enjoy the benefit.

Sincerely,

Jim Freeman
County Manager