

FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Item 9

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**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.

**Issue 1:** Should the Commission approve Tampa Electric Company’s petition for approval of the Big Bend South Gypsum Storage Area Closure Project for cost recovery through the Environmental Cost Recovery Clause?

**Recommendation:** No. Staff does not recommend approval for cost recovery of the Big Bend South Gypsum Storage Area Closure Project through the Environmental Cost Recovery Clause. The Commission has not made a prudency determination on the Big Bend Modernization Project. Furthermore, the necessity of the Closure Project was triggered by Tampa Electric Company’s business decision to change its operation, and not by a change in environmental regulation. Tampa Electric Company may request cost recovery for the Closure Project utilizing traditional methods of cost recovery in the future.

**WITHDRAWN**

**COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED:** All Commissioners

**COMMISSIONERS’ SIGNATURES**

**MAJORITY**

**DISSENTING**

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**REMARKS/DISSENTING COMMENTS:**

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**Issue 2:** If the Commission does not approve staff's recommendation in Issue 1, should the Commission limit its approval of eligible cost recovery to those projected costs at the time TECO filed its petition for cost recovery on December 26, 2018?

**Recommendation:** If the Commission approves the staff recommendation in Issue 1, then this issue is moot. If the Commission does not approve staff's recommendation in Issue 1, then yes, staff recommends that only the costs incurred after the Commission's vote in this docket should be eligible for cost recovery through the Environmental Cost Recovery Clause. At a minimum, the costs that had already been incurred by the Company at the time of its filing should be excluded for cost recovery through the ECRC.

**Issue 3:** Should this docket be closed?

**Recommendation:** Yes. This docket should be closed upon the issuance of a Consummating Order, unless a person whose substantial interests are affected by the Commission's decision files a protest within 21 days of the issuance of the Proposed Agency Action Order.