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Mr. Adam J. Teitzman Commission Clerk Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

In re: Petition of Tampa Electric Company for approval of Direct Current Microgrid

Pilot Program; Docket No. 20200234-EI;

Dear Mr. Teitzman:

Attached for filing in the above docket are Tampa Electric Company's **revised** responses to Staff's Third Data Request Nos. 1, 2, and 3, propounded on December 30, 2020.

Thank you for your assistance in connection with this matter.

Sincerely,

Malcolm N. Means

MNM/bmp Attachment

cc: All Parties of Record (w/attachment)

Suzanne Brownless, Special Counsel, FPSC (w/attachment)

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- 1. Please provide copies of the Block Energy System Addendum and Grant of Easement that will be given to participants in the Direct Current Microgrid Pilot Program (Pilot Program).
- A. Tampa Electric and Lennar amended the Block Energy System Addendum to remove a reference to a restriction on customer-owned rooftop solar during the term of the Pilot Program and to include a statement informing potential homebuyers that they can contact Tampa Electric with any questions they may have regarding the Pilot Program. The amended version of the Addendum is included with this Response.

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- **2.** With regard to the Block Energy System Addendum and Grant of Easement:
 - a. When will these documents be given to participants in the Pilot Program?
 - b. Who will explain the terms and conditions of electric service set forth in these documents to Pilot Program participants?
- A. a. When a potential homebuyer informs Lennar that they would like to purchase a home in Southshore Bay Phase AA3, Lennar supplies that homebuyer with a purchase and sale agreement. The homebuyer must execute the purchase and sale agreement before Lennar will begin construction on a home. The Block Energy System Addendum and the Grant of Easement are included in the purchase and sale agreement, meaning the potential homebuyer must initial each page of the Addendum and sign the Addendum when they execute the home purchase agreement.

Going forward, potential homebuyers will receive the revised version of the Block Energy System Addendum described in the response to Request No. 1, above. With respect to all customers who received the previous version of the Addendum, they will all receive a letter from Tampa Electric informing them that they have the right to install additional solar on the roof if they choose to do so. A copy of this letter is included with the company's amended Response to Staff's First Data Request No. 7.

b. The terms and conditions of electric service are the same as nonparticipants, except for the changes set out in the Block Energy System Addendum. Tampa Electric informs potential homebuyers about these changes through several channels. First, Tampa Electric developed copy and graphics that describe the Block Energy System and the Pilot Program and provided them to Lennar. Lennar used the copy and graphics to develop marketing materials utilized for selling homes included in the Pilot. Second, Tampa Electric prepared the Block Energy System Addendum, which explains the terms and conditions of the Pilot Program. As explained above, potential homebuyers must sign the Block Energy System Addendum and will receive the Grant of Easement when they contract with Lennar to purchase a home. Third, Tampa Electric is working with Lennar to

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amend the Block Energy System Addendum to include language informing the buyer that they may contact Tampa Electric with any questions about the System or the Pilot along with a phone number and a website link. Homebuyers thus will have an opportunity to contact Tampa Electric to learn more about the Pilot Program between execution of the home purchase agreement and the closing date for the home. Finally, the neighborhood's homeowners' association documents will be amended to include information about the Block Energy System and the Pilot that was drafted in collaboration with Tampa Electric. These HOA documents will be publicly available and available to potential homebuyers.

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- 3. Will participants in the Pilot Program be able to install their own photovoltaic panels while participating in the Pilot Program?
- A. As explained in Tampa Electric's amended responses to Staff's First Data Request Nos. 19 and 20, the company removed the restriction on customerowned rooftop solar during the term of the Pilot Program.

Homeowners will be able to install their own photovoltaic panels and net meter, but if they do so they will no longer receive service through the Block Energy System. Homebuyers who purchase one of the homes included in the Pilot Program retain the right to install their own photovoltaic panels, interconnect to the Tampa Electric system, and net meter as provided by Commission Rule and Tampa Electric's net metering tariff. If a homebuyer does so, Tampa Electric would change that home's service delivery so Tampa Electric would provide electric service to the customer solely from the standard AC distribution system just as it would with any other net metered customer. The net metered customer would no longer receive power from the Block Energy System installed as part of the Pilot Program. Tampa Electric, however, would retain the easement on the subject property, meaning the company could continue to own, operate, and maintain the Block Energy System components (including the Tampa Electric owned solar array located on that customer's roof) on the net metered customer's property.