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STAFF'S NINTH DATA REQUEST
VIA EMAIL

Re: Docket No. 20210034-EI – Petition for rate increase by Tampa Electric Company

Docket No. 20200264-EI – Petition for approval of 2020 depreciation and dismantlement study and capital recovery schedules, by Tampa Electric Company.

Greetings:

By this letter, the Commission staff asks that Tampa Electric Company (TECO) provide responses to the following data requests:

1. Paragraph 5.(h) of TECO's 2021 Stipulation and Settlement Agreement states, in part, that the total true-up amount for CETM shall be credited or debited to the Energy Conservation Cost Recovery Clause (ECCR) in conjunction with the 2036 True-Up filing in 2037. Please answer the following:
 - A. Explain why this proposed recovery mechanism is the most appropriate alternative. Address in your response what alternatives, if any, were considered.
 - B. Please explain whether the 2036 True Up filing (in 2037) will include true-up amounts for all 15 years of the CETM. If not, please explain how actual-to- projected deviations in CETM collections will be addressed for all years.
 - C. How will interest be calculated on CETM over/under-recovered balances for purposes of the true-up?

- D. Will the Commission be periodically apprised of the status of any CETM over and under recovery amounts during the 15 year period of the CETM? Please explain.
2. Paragraph 5.(b) states the "Update Period filing" will be submitted for Commission review contemporaneous with the projected ECCR filings in the year prior to the proposed effective date of the new CETM factors. Please answer the following questions:
- A. Does TECO intend to file the Update Period filing within the ECCR annual docket or via an alternative case management docket, such as a standalone docket that remains open through 2037?
- B. Does TECO intend that the CETM tariff filing referenced in Paragraph 5.(d) will be included as part of the filing described in Paragraph 5.(b)? If separately filed, please explain.
- C. What Commission review process do the parties envision should be used to process the Update Period filing(s) discussed in Paragraphs 5.(b) and 5.(d)?
3. Paragraph 13.(h) of TECO's 2021 Stipulation and Settlement Agreement states, in part, that beginning January 1, 2022, the Company may increase the number of energy efficiency kits provided to customers served in its Energy and Renewable Education, Awareness and Agency Outreach programs by 1,000 to 1,750. The paragraph also provides that the Company may also increase the number of residential customers served under its Neighborhood Weatherization program from 6,500 to 7,500. Please address the following questions:
- A. Please identify the specific purpose and expected result of this 2021 Settlement provision, taking into account any Commission-approved participation targets and/or limits, etc. for these programs.
- B. What does TECO anticipate will be the impact of Paragraph 13(h) on the Company's ECCR program and cost recovery factors in 2022, 2023, and 2024?
- C. Assuming TECO's 2021 Stipulation and Settlement Agreement proposal is adopted, describe and discuss the timing of regulatory filing(s) to modify the Company's approved DSM Plans in order to incorporate the provisions of Paragraph 13.(h). Discuss in your response all other steps that will be necessary to implement these provisions.

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Please file all responses electronically no later than Tuesday, September 14, 2021, via the Commission's website at www.floridapsc.com, by selecting the Clerk's Office tab and Electronic Filing Web Form. Please feel free to call me at (850) 413-6191 if you have any questions.

Respectfully,

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cc: Office of Commission Clerk
All Parties of Record