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## **Revision to April 1, 2025 Filing**

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## Re: Storm Protection Plan Cost Recovery Clause FPSC Docket No. 20250010-EI

Dear Mr. Teitzman:

Attached for filing in the above docket on behalf of Tampa Electric Company is the Revised Exhibit KEP-1 (Page 14 of 33, Bates Stamp 32) to the Prepared Direct Testimony of Kevin Palladino. Exhibit KEP-1 is entitled "Tampa Electric Company 2024 Storm Protection Plan Accomplishments" and was originally filed on April 1, 2025.

The revised version of Bates stamped page 32 in Exhibit KEP-1 corrects the number of wood poles from 321,000 to 285,000 and the total number of poles from 346,000 to 310,000.

Thank you for your assistance in connection with this matter.

Sincerely,

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MNM/bml Attachment cc: All Parties of Record (w/attachment)

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Revised Exhibit KEP-1 of Kevin Pallandino, filed on behalf of Tampa Electric Company, has been furnished by electronic mail on this 13th day of June 2025 to the following:

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**Wood Pole Inspection Program:** Tampa Electric's Wood Pole Inspection Initiative is part of a comprehensive program initiated by the FPSC for Florida investor-owned electric utilities to harden the electric system against severe weather.

This inspection program complies with Order No. PSC-2006-0144-PAA-EI, issued February 27, 2006, in Docket No. 20060078-EI which requires each investor-owned electric utility to implement an inspection program of its wooden transmission and distribution poles on an eight-year cycle based on the requirements of the NESC. Tampa Electric has approximately 285,000 distribution and lighting wood poles and 25,000 wood and non-wood transmission poles available for inspection for a total pole inspection population of approximately 310,000. Approximately 12.5 percent of the known system will be targeted for inspections annually although the actual number of poles may vary from year to year due to recently constructed circuits, de-energized circuits, reconfigured circuits, etc. This program provides a systematic identification of poles that require repair, reinforcement, or replacement to meet strength requirements of the NESC.

The wood pole inspections will be conducted on a substation circuit basis with a goal of inspecting the entire wood pole population every eight years. An average of 35,625 wooden distribution poles will be inspected annually with each pole receiving a visual inspection, a sound & bore procedure, and a groundline/excavation inspection (except for chromated copper arsenate "CCA" poles less than 16 years of age.)

Inspection Method and Procedure: Tampa Electric will utilize three basic inspection procedures for determining the condition of wooden poles. These procedures include a visual inspection, sound, and bore, and excavation when required.

Visual Inspection: An initial visual inspection shall be made on all poles from the ground line to the pole top to determine the condition of the pole before any additional inspection work is completed. The visual inspection shall include a

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