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VIA HAND DELIVERY

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

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Re: Petition for approval of Big Bend Clean Water Act Section 316(b) study,  
for cost recovery through the environmental cost recovery clause, by  
Tampa Electric Company  
FPSC Docket No. 20250149-EI

Dear Mr. Teitzman:

Attached for filing in the above docket is Tampa Electric Company's Request for Confidential Classification of certain information contained in the company's response to Staff's First Data Request (Nos. 1-5), propounded on January 8, 2026.

Thank you for your assistance in connection with this matter.

Sincerely,

Malcolm N. Means

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Attachment

cc: All parties of record

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition for approval of Big Bend  
Clean Water Act Section 316(b) study, for  
cost recovery through the environmental  
cost recovery clause, by Tampa Electric  
Company.

DOCKET NO. 20250149-EI

FILED: January 29, 2026

**TAMPA ELECTRIC COMPANY'S  
REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION  
AND REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY PROTECTIVE ORDER**

Tampa Electric Company ("Tampa Electric" or the "company"), pursuant to Section 366.093, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code, hereby requests confidential classification of the yellow highlighted information contained in the following described document(s) ("the Document(s)") stamped "CONFIDENTIAL" and all information that is or may be printed on yellow paper stock stamped "CONFIDENTIAL" within the Document(s), all of said confidential information being hereinafter referred to as "Confidential Information."

**Description of the Document(s)**

On this date, Tampa Electric serves its answers to Commission Staff's First Data Request (Nos. 1-5) ("Staff's First Request"). The company believes that portions of its answers to Staff's First Request, as specified on Exhibit "A," constitute Confidential Information and has designated it as such by highlighting. Contemporaneously with the filing of this request, Tampa Electric submitted the Confidential Information to the Commission Clerk under a separate, confidential cover letter. Tampa Electric requests confidential classification for this information such that it will be entitled to protection against public disclosure pursuant to Section 366.093, Florida Statutes. In support of this request, the company states:

1. Subsection 366.093(1), Florida Statutes, provides that any records "found by the Commission to be proprietary confidential business information shall be kept confidential and shall be exempt from s. 119.07(1), Florida Statutes [requiring disclosure under the Public Records Act]." Proprietary confidential business information includes but is not limited to: (a) trade secrets; (b) internal auditing controls and reports of internal auditors; (c) security measures, systems, or procedures; (d) information concerning bids or other contractual data, the disclosure of which would impair the efforts of the public utility or its affiliates to contract for goods or services on favorable terms; (e) information relating to competitive interests, the disclosure of which would impair the competitive business of the provider of the information; and (f) employee personnel information unrelated to compensation, duties, qualifications, or responsibilities. §366.093(3)(a)-(f), Fla. Stat. The Confidential Information that is the subject of this request and motion falls within one or more of these statutory categories and, thus, constitutes proprietary confidential business information entitled to protection under Section 366.093, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code.

2. Attached hereto as Exhibit "A" is a justification for confidential treatment of the Confidential Information contained in the Documents.

3. Exhibit "B" contains the public versions of the Documents with the Confidential Information.

4. The Confidential Information contained in the Documents is intended to be and is treated by Tampa Electric as private and has not been publicly disclosed.

5. For the same reasons set forth herein in support of its request for confidential classification and in the event the Office of Public Counsel intervenes in this

docket and wants access to the confidential documents, Tampa Electric also moves the Commission for entry of a Temporary Protective Order pursuant to Rule 25-22.006(6)(a), Florida Administrative Code.

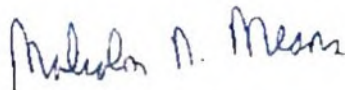
**Requested Duration of Confidential Classification**

6. Pursuant to Rule 25-22.006(9)(a), Tampa Electric requests that the Confidential Information be treated by the Commission as confidential proprietary business information for 18 months. If, and to the extent that the company is in need of confidential classification of the Confidential Information beyond the 18-month period set forth in the Commission rule, the justification and grounds for such extended confidential treatment are set forth in Exhibit "C" to this request and motion.

WHEREFORE, Tampa Electric Company respectfully requests that the Confidential Information that is the subject of this request and motion be accorded confidential classification for the reasons set forth herein and for 18 months.

DATED this 29<sup>th</sup> day of January 2026.

Respectfully submitted,



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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true copy of the foregoing Request, filed on behalf of Tampa Electric Company, has been furnished by electronic mail on this 29<sup>th</sup> day of January 2026.

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**EXHIBIT A**  
**JUSTIFICATION FOR CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT**

<b>Staff's First Data Request (Nos. 1-5)</b>			
<b>Bates Page Nos.</b>	<b>Document Description</b>	<b>Description of Information</b>	<b>Justification</b>
5 - 14	Supporting documentation provided in Tampa Electric's answer to Staff's First Data Request, No. 4.	The Highlighted Information.	(1)

**Justifications**

- (1) The highlighted information concerns bids or other contractual data, the disclosure of which would impair the efforts of the company or its affiliates to contract for goods or services on favorable terms and is protected under Section 366.093(d), Florida Statutes.

**EXHIBIT B**  
**PUBLIC VERSION(S) OF THE DOCUMENT(S)**

Attached hereto (unless previously filed as may be noted below) are two public versions of the Document(s) with the Confidential Information redacted.

Public Version(s) of the Document(s) attached

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Public Version(s) of the Document(s) attached via USB

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**EXHIBIT C**  
**JUSTIFICATION FOR EXTENSION OF CONFIDENTIALITY PERIOD**

**N/A**