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Mr. Adam J. Teitzman
Commission Clerk
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
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Re: Petition of Tampa Electric Company for Approval of Revised Underground Residential Distribution (URD) Tariff
FPSC Docket No. 20260050-EI

Dear Mr. Teitzman:

Please find attached for filing Tampa Electric Company's Answers to Staff's Second Data Request (No. 1), propounded on June 23, 2026.

Thank you for your assistance in connection with this matter.

Sincerely,

Malcolm N. Means

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TAMPA ELECTRIC COMPANY
DOCKET 20260050-EI
STAFF'S SECOND DATA REQUEST
REQUEST NO. 1
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1. Please discuss any significant changes in the non-storm and storm operation costs, such as recent hurricane events, that impacted the costs filed in the instant petition.

ANSWER:

The Company has experienced rising non-storm costs due to two primary factors. First, increased demand for transmission and distribution equipment due to load growth, renewable energy expansion, data center development, and grid modernization and hardening initiatives has placed upward pressure on material and equipment prices. Second, these demand-related price increases have been further compounded by the effects of inflation and recent tariffs, resulting in sustained cost increases

The company also incurred significant storm restoration costs related to recent storms. On December 27, 2024, Tampa Electric filed a Petition seeking Florida Public Service Commission ("Commission") approval of an interim surcharge designed to recover $463,651,185 in storm restoration costs associated with named tropical systems during the 2023 and 2024 hurricane seasons (Idalia, Debby, Helene, and Milton) and replenishment of the company's storm reserve. The Commission approved the company's interim surcharge for an 18-month period beginning with the first billing cycle of March 2025 and concluding with the last billing cycle of August 2026 through Order No. PSC-2025-0062-PCO-EI, issued on February 24, 2025. On June 9, 2026, the company filed a letter seeking Commission Staff administrative approval to terminate the surcharge effective with the last billing cycle of July 2026. This interim surcharge is subject to final true-up.