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## BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition for Approval of Commercial/Industrial Service Rider by Tampa Electric Co.

Docket No.: 980706-EI

Filed: July 8, 1998

## LEGAL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSISTANCE FOUNDATION, INC. PETITION FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE

Petitioner, Legal Environmental Assistance Foundation, Inc. (LEAF), requests leave to intervene as a full party in the above docket and states:

- The name and address of each intervenor is:
   Legal Environmental Assistance Foundation, Inc. 1114 Thomasville Road, Suite E Tallahassee, FL 32303
- 2. The names and addresses of the persons who should receive notices, pleadings, informal discovery requests, correspondence, and other communications are as follows:

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	3. The industrial discount rates used by Tampa Electric
ACK AFA	Company (Tampa) will substantially influence the level of demand
APP	side resources Tampa uses to meet its customers' need for energy
CAF CMU	services (and, as a result, how much power plant generation can be
CTR	avoided or postponed), the amount that customers pay for energy
ÉAG	Proposervices, and the level of pollution emitted in Tampa's service
LEG	territory.
LIN OPC	4. LEAF is a public interest advocacy organization with
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substantial interests that will be affected by the Commission action in this docket. The corporate purposes of LEAF include securing environmental and health benefits for its members and the public. A substantial number of LEAF's members use and enjoy the natural resources whose quality is placed at risk by industrial pollution and by pollution from the electrical generation and transmission facilities that may result from increased electricity sales or increased use of more polluting resource options than energy efficiency. A substantial number of LEAF's members are utility customers whose energy service expenses will be affected by the Commission's action in this docket.

- 5. Petitioner disputes the fairness, justness, and reasonableness of the industrial discount rate proposed by Tampa in that the proposed terms are overly broad, fail to require reasonable amounts of energy and demand reductions, and unduly discriminate against other Tampa customers. Petitioner reserves the right to raise or dispute additional factual issues as they become known.
- 6. Petitioner alleges that the industrial rates proposed by Tampa are unfair, unjust, and unreasonable and should be denied absent modification to fully correct the deficiencies identified in paragraph 5 of this petition. Petitioner is entitled to relief under Chapters 120, 366, and 403, Fla. Stat., and implementing regulations. Petitioner reserves the right to rely on additional statutes or rules should additional issues arise or become known.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner requests permission to intervene in this

docket and be granted full rights to participate in all proceedings therein.

Respectfully submitted,

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the Legal Environmental Assistance Foundation, Inc. (LEAF) Petition for Leave to Intervene has been furnished by hand delivery (\*) or by U.S. Mail to the following parties of record on July 8, 1998.

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