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**DATE:** JUNE 17, 1999

TO: DIRECTOR, DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING (

- **FROM:** DIVISION OF ELECTRIC AND GAS (DRAPER) EJ
- **RE:** DOCKET NO. 990573-EI PETITION BY TAMPA ELECTRIC COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO BRIGHT CHOICES OUTDOOR LIGHTING AGREEMENT.
- AGENDA: 06/29/99 REGULAR AGENDA TARIFF FILING INTERESTED PERSONS MAY PARTICIPATE
- **CRITICAL DATES:** 60-DAY SUSPENSION DATE: 7/6/99

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: NONE

FILE NAME AND LOCATION: S:\PSC\EAG\WP\990573.RCM

## DISCUSSION OF ISSUES

**ISSUE 1**: Should the Commission approve Tampa Electric Company's Petition for Approval of Revisions to its Bright Choices Outdoor Lighting Agreement?

**<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>**: Yes, the proposed revisions are minor modifications and should be approved.

**STAFF ANALYSIS**: Tampa Electric Company (TECO) offers three lighting rate schedules: High Pressure Sodium Street Lighting Service, High Pressure Sodium General Outdoor Lighting Service, and Premium Outdoor Lighting Service. Customers wishing to take service under any of these three rate schedules are required to sign the Bright Choices Outdoor Lighting Agreement (Agreement) with TECO. The Agreement specifies the terms and conditions under which TECO offers outdoor lighting service to its customers.

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In its petition TECO proposes some minor modifications to the Agreement. One of the revisions proposed is to remove overly restrictive language related to indemnity and insurance that has caused concern to some of TECO's customers. TECO is also proposing an addendum to the Agreement, which allows customers with an existing agreement to request additional lighting equipment and/or fixtures without having to sign a new contract. The addendum will allow TECO to more easily manage changes to existing agreements. Finally, there are several miscellaneous changes to the language in the Agreement to make it more readable and improve customer understanding.

Staff has reviewed all the proposed changes and believes that they are reasonable and should be approved.

**ISSUE 2:** What should be the effective date of the proposed tariff revisions?

**<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>**: The proposed tariff revisions should become effective on June 29, 1999.

**STAFF ANALYSIS**: The proposed tariff revisions should become effective on June 29, 1999, the date of the Commission vote.

## **ISSUE 3**: Should this docket be closed?

**RECOMMENDATION:** Yes, if no protest is filed within 21 days of the issuance of the order.

**STAFF ANALYSIS**: If a protest is filed within 21 days of the Commission order approving this tariff, the tariff should remain in effect pending resolution of the protest, with any charges held subject to refund pending resolution of the protest. If no protest is filed, this docket shall be closed upon the issuance of a Consummating Order.