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Ms. Blanca S. Bayo, Director Division of Records and Reporting Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850 ORIGINAL 990000

Re: Tampa Electric Company Non-Firm Electric Service – 2000 Assessment of Need

Dear Ms. Bayo:

In accordance with Rule 25-6.0438, Florida Administrative Code regarding non-firm electric service, enclosed is a copy of Tampa Electric Company's January 1, 2000 revision to its July 1, 1999 assessment of the level of non-firm load on the Tampa Electric system.

Please acknowledge receipt and filing of the above by stamping the duplicate copy of this letter and returning same to this writer.

Thank you for your assistance in connection with this matter.

Sincerely,

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TAMPA ELECTRIC COMPANY NON-FIRM ELECTRIC SERVICE 2000 ASSESSMENT OF NEED

In accordance with Tampa Electric Company's Rate Schedule IS-3, the following is the January 1, 2000 revision to the July 1, 1999 assessment of the need for additional interruptible load during calendar year 2000.

- 1. Tampa Electric Company's tariff requires that the Company complete an assessment twice each year by January 1 and July 1 regarding the need for additional non-firm electric service during the following calendar year. The Company's tariff provision regarding assessment of need was approved on December 4, 1985. Subsequent to that date, the Commission adopted Florida Administrative Code Rule 25-6.0438 to define the character and various types of non-firm electric service to require a procedure for determining a utility's maximum level of non-firm load; and to establish other minimum terms and conditions for the provision of non-firm electric service.
- 2. Tampa Electric submitted a revised assessment of need procedure in Docket No. 870408-EI, which takes into account the various provisions of Rule 25-6.0438. The Commission approved the Company's proposal in November 1989.
- 3. Tampa Electric submits that its current assessment of need procedure in Docket No. 870408-EI, in addition to accomplishing the same intent as the procedure approved in Docket No. 850050-EI, Order No. 15451, fully comports with the Commission's intent expressed in Rule 25-6.0438. Moreover, the revised assessment used the assumptions and planning criteria in place for Tampa Electric's 2000 Customer, Demand & Energy Forecast and the Fuel & Interchange Forecast adjusted for wholesale sales. Under the application of the methodology described in Docket No. 870408-EI, non-firm load under Rate Schedule IS-3 would be fully subscribed during 2000.
- 4. The estimated levels of non-firm load on the Tampa Electric system for the month of January 2000 are as follows:

Load Management 259 MW GSLM 2 & 3 0 MW Interruptible Load 224 MW

TOTAL:

483 MW

GSLM 2 & 3 are subject to protest in Docket No. 990037-EI, however should GSLM be found by the FPSC to be appropriate and the existing IS rates closed to new business, GSLM will be included in this assessment of need procedure. While

GSLM is a conservation program like load management and will be subject to sequential interruption protocols as indicated above, the assessment for need will apply to the opening of GSLM to new load.

5. Attached hereto as "Exhibit A" is a document entitled *Target Interruptible Load Worksheet* which has been extracted from Tampa Electric's proposal in Docket No. 870408-EI. As this document indicates, no additional MW of non-firm electric service in the form of interruptible load can be offered during 2000.

TARGET INTERRUPTIBLE LOAD WORKSHEET									
1.	TARGET INTERRUPTIBLE BEGINNING FOR	2000	224 M	w					
2.	TARGET INTERRUPTIBLE FOR THE YEAR	2003	224 M	w					
3.	ANNUAL INTERRUPTIBLE INCREMENT	224 - 224 (Over 3 Years		W					
4.	TARGET INTERRUPTIBLE ENDING FOR	2003	224 M	W					

TARGET INTERRUPTIBLE LOAD WORKSHEET FIRM LOAD RESERVE MARGIN WORKSHEET (WITH COMMITTED CAPACITY ONLY)

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YEAR	TOTAL INSTALLED CAPACITY	FIRM CAPACITY INTERCHANGE	COGEN- ERATION	TOTAL CAPACITY	FIRM LOAD ANNUAL PEAK DEMAND	RESERVE MARGIN
	(MW)	(MW)	(MW)	(MW)	(MW)	(%)
2000	3,609	141	46	3,796	3,126	21
2001	3,809	151	46	4,006	3,232	24
2002	3,809	303	62	4,174	3,318	26
2003	3,605	450	62	4,117	3,428	20

Column (1)	Total installed capacity includes Polk CT 1 (in service as of October 2000) and Hookers Point retirement (as of January 2003).
Column (2)	Firm capacity interchange is the net of capacity import and exports. Capacity import includes the Purchase Agreement with TECO Power Services (TPS) of 360 MW.
	Availability of this capacity is subject to back-up requirements for Seminole Electric Cooperative. Capacity export includes
	145 MW of Big Bend 4 which will be sold to TPS, on a limited basis, for use by Seminole Electric Cooperative. Capacity export also includes
	D transactions.
Column (3)	The cogeneration column accounts for cogeneration that will be purchased under firm contracts.
Column (5)	The firm load annual peak demand is firm system peak demand. Firm system peak demand includes firm retail and firm wholesale demand (PR, etc.). Firm
	demand values are based on the current load forecast.

The reserve margin is a winter firm peak reserve margin.

Column (6)

TARGET INTERRUPTIBLE LOAD WORKSHEET

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YEAR	FIRM LOAD ANNUAL PEAK DEMAN (MW)	INTER- RUPTIBLE LOAD (MW)	LOAD MANAGE- MENT (MW)	TARGET NON-FIRM LOAD (MW)	ADJUSTED FIRM EOAD (MW)	ADJUSTED FIRM RESERVE (%)	TARGET INTER- RUPTIBLE (MW)	INCREMENTAL INTER- RUPTIBLE AVAILABLE (MW)
2000	3,126	224	259				224	0.0
2001	3,232	233	264				224	0.0
2002	3,318	232	268				224	0.0
2003	3,428	221	272	474	3,447	19	224	0.0

Column (2) The firm load annual peak demand is firm system peak demand. Firm system peak demand contains firm retail and firm wholesale demand. Firm demand values are based on the current load forecast.

Column (7) The adjusted firm reserve is a winter firm peak reserve margin.